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PHOTOGRAPHS OF MILITANT SUFFRAGISTS

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Any reply to this letter should be addressed to—

THE KEEPER.

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TRUSTEES OF THE WALLACE COLLECTION,

HERTFORD HOUSE,

MANCHESTER SQUARE, W.

22nd April 1914.

Sir,

With reference to the photographs of militant suffragists which have been supplied for the use of the Police Force employed here. I am directed by the Trustees to ask whether it would be possible to supply two further copies in order that the whole of the watching staff may be afforded an opportunity of making itself thoroughly familiar with the appearance of the persons concerned. Through the courtesy of Superintendent Mackay the Attendant Staff have already been granted facilities for inspecting the copy supplied for the use of the Police, but the Trustees are of opinion that a chasual examination of the photographs is quite insufficient to enable the Staff to identify with any certainty the persons represented especially when they are seen in other circumstances and in different dress. It is therefore considered desirable to procure these extra photographs and to place them in such a position in the Mess Rooms as would ensure that they were under continual observation. The names of the women photographed are of secondary importance. and the Trustees would be willing that they should be detached from the photographs and kept for reference in the Offices.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant.

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The Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis.
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23rd day of April 1914.

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London, S.W.

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5	Bell Annie @ Hannah Booth and Elizabeth Bell.	1874	5.6 1	Blue	Lt.Brn.	S.165769	Dama ge
6	Short Jane @ Rachel Peace.	1882	5.3	Blue	Brown	s.168517	Arson
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;14.	Forrester Lillian.	1880.	$5.3\frac{1}{2}$	Grey.	Brown.	S.167641.	Damage.
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24th April, 1914.

MEMORANDUM.

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18th May, 1914;

CONFIDENTI

The Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis has to acquaint you that there is reason to apprehend special activity during the present week on the part of the Militant suffragettes and their supporters; and he thinks that it would be well therefore to impress upon all persons employed at Galleries and Museums the necessity for being very much on the alert to prevent any damage to the exhibits.

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