# The Australian Women's Register

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## Desailly, Frances Esme

Occupation Welfare worker

### Summary

Frances Desailly was appointed a Member of the Order of the British Empire on 8 June 1939 for her services to charities. The daughter of an early pioneer of Victoria, Dr Daniel Curdie, she married Dr Julian Gilbert Desailly on 4 May 1904 and had one daughter. A member of a number of welfare societies, she was president of the Ladies' Benevolent Society and vice-president of the Girls' Employment Movement. Awarded life membership of the Camperdown Red Cross, Camperdown Mothers' Club and the District Hospital Auxiliary, she was also a member of the Charles Dickens Society and the Alexandra Club.

#### Published resources

#### **Edited Book**

Who's Who in Australia, 1941, Alexander, Joseph A

#### Resource

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