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Feb. 14.

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AL/977

The Cloisters,

Eton College.

Windsor.

Jan: 30<sup>th</sup> 1912.

Dear Madam

I am writing to enclose the two tickets which you kindly sent me for the series of at Homes to be given by the London Society; I do not intend being present at any of these at Homes - & I propose (temporarily) to withdraw from the Society - This is the only way in which I can show how strongly I dissent from the principles

upon which the Society is  
now acting.

Believe me

Yours truly

Caroline de Helton



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31st January, 1912.

Dear Madam,

I received your letter of yesterday's date with much regret and I should be very much obliged if you would let me know the grounds of your dissent from the principles upon which our Society is now acting in order that I may lay your case before my Committee.

Yours faithfully,

P.S.

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The Hon. Mrs. Edward Lyttelton.

Answer

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The Cloisters,

Eton College,

Windsor.

Feb: 1<sup>st</sup>  
- 1912

Dear Madam

The grounds of my dissent  
from the principles upon which  
your Society is now acting  
are as follows

I understand from the wording  
of the papers recently sent,  
as well as from other sources  
that the Society now supports

"Womanhood Suffrage  
which I take I mean (if it  
means anything) that all  
woman over 21 should have  
the suffrage. As this would

include Prostitutes, ~~and~~ <sup>alone</sup>  
is enough to make me decide  
to cease being a member  
of the Society. But I  
have other reasons also.

I strongly disapprove of  
the attitude of the so called  
Suffragettes. Who have  
(to my mind) done much  
to injure the Cause of  
Women Suffrage. & to  
put all right minded  
people against them.  
I shall hope to resume

my membership if the day  
should ever come when the  
Society ceases to advocate  
"Womanhood Suffrage".

The Headmaster asks me  
to take this opportunity of  
informing you - that he too  
is about to discontinue his  
membership of the Society -  
His reasons for so doing  
are similar to mine.

Yours faithfully

Caroline D. Lytton

Lytellin

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5th February, 1912.

Dear Madam,

I beg to thank you for your letter but I cannot help thinking that it is written under some misapprehension in regard to the attitude of our Society, as we have in no way departed from the policy which we have held for many years. In common with most other Suffrage Societies we have always claimed that the parliamentary franchise should be given to women on the same terms as it is or may be given to men.

In face of the immediate political situation we maintain:

1. That we continue firmly to support the Conciliation Bill and claim the facilities provided for it.
2. We strongly oppose the Manhood Suffrage Bill.
3. We claim that if the Manhood Bill is to be proceeded with, every legitimate effort should be made to prevent its becoming law without the inclusion of some women, the Amendments to it which appear most likely to receive wide support are a). One on the Conciliation Bill basis, giving about one and a half million women votes or b). One on what is known as the Norwegian basis, ~~to~~ giving votes to the above with the addition of a larger number of married women.



