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Mrs. How-Martyn.
4, Barncleuth Square,
Elizabeth Bay,
SYDNEY, N.S.W.

Dear Mrs. How-Martyn,

Thank you very much for your cordial letter of congratulation on my election to the Senate. Yes, I think Western Australia is rather "preening" itself at the moment on the fact of two women Senators out of four.

Mrs. Rischbieth, I know very well. We have been associated in many movements in Western Australia for the betterment of the Community generally and women in particular. Mrs. Cowan also was a personal friend and her daughter Dirksey is a very find person.

I was duly "sworn in" a fortnight ago but so far have not been "sworn at".

I shall probably make a short sheech, my maiden one, tomorrow evening.

I think women the world over are becoming more conscious of the need for them to take on the full responsibilities of citizenship and to that end are taking more interest in politics.

Again my thanks for your good wishes and with greetings.

Yours truly,

Alex R. Robertson

(Senator A. R. Robertson.)