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2 Power Street Nov 28.

My dear Lady Frances,

I was very interested by your
letter telling of your visit to the P. M.
after the scrimmage in the street
on the 22nd. I have found your telling
very useful too to show to people
by way of modifying the world
interests in the Press. All the same
I do think these personal
assaults perfectly abominable
and above all extraordinarily

silly. The P. M. statement in
the 22nd was not just
exactly all we wanted; but
it was better than anything
that had ever been offered
us before and was at any
rate good enough to make
the Times say the next day
that it had made W. S. a
question definitely before the

country at this election and that
if there is a liberal majority it will
be a "mandate" to grant suffrage
to women.

And then these
idiots go out smearing windows

and basking ministers' hats over
their eyes.

I have blown off
steam on the subject in the
Common Cause this week.

Our W.S. candidates are
making great headway. There

was a complete triumph in S. Salford
and the liberals came crawling in
their knees & to speak to the WS
Cau^l and their candidate Russell
(son of R of Kilowen) circulated
a letter with his election address to
say he was a Suffragist, that
he supported the Conciliatory Bill
and that if elected he will press his
leaders for facilities.

Martin in East S. Pancras has
climbed down a bit but not as
far as we want him. He now

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"
Say he is for votes for women on the
same terms as men" but as in
another part of his address he
says he is in favour of one man
one vote, this may mean that
he w^d support nothing short of
one woman, one vote, which is no good -
He wrote quite an offensive
letter to me in May to say
he could not support the Concilia-
tion Bill. I have received
a cheque for £500 towards

our main election expenses
from Miss Dodge, Lady De La
Warr's friend. It caused
great rejoicing; but I have
warned all our people to be
tremendously economical
because there is another set
with whom we want to fight in
Glasgow.

We had a magnificent meeting
in Glasgow. Sir S. Crisholm
in the chair; but as usual
the papers hardly reported
it at all; the little liberal
paper was especially bad.

We had a very good Council
on Saturday. Every body
ardent & keen.

Always yours affectionately,

W. G. Dewar

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