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Dear Mrs Fawcett,

I hope you will allow me to waive ceremony and defend my "unreasonable" sex against your attack, which has reached me through Lady Betty.

I do not suggest window-breaking, but I do think that some great meeting, or united deputation is necessary.

Public psychology is such that the people can only think of one thing at a time. They are now thinking only of the war. And it is quite possible that legislation will arrive unnoticed that may be detrimental to the interests not only of women, but to many other sections of the community.

Lady Betty has asked me to speak to the Prime Minister and I will do so to-morrow.

Yours sincerely,

*Northcliffe*

Mrs Fawcett.

Christmas Day 1916.