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Dear Mrs. Fawcett

I am sorry to say I know nothing of Miss Furulyelun. She is not here, and I suppose her duties as a member of the diet keep her in Finland. I have just written to her and sent it to Vasa, a town in northern Finland where a fraction of the diet has a meeting these days. I hope she may be there. It is almost impossible to get personal news from Finland now, and all public news are heartrending. War is raging everywhere; on one side

They are not better than we are. I believe all our resolutions published in the papers in the West were dependent of their own meetings - the worst victims of the war.

is avarice and lawlessness and
cruelty, and on the other ^{what was originally} just indig-
nation has been cruelty and overbearing
habitués and annihilationist tenden-
cies, lying and intriguing - German
methods in every way. Even in
this country a deep cleavage has taken
place; of course every one is sym-
pathizing with the side of law and
order, but our nationalist faction
wants Swedish ^{armed} intervention in Fin-
land, and the large majority of our
people wants ~~only~~ to help them in
every other way, only not so as to
for Sweden to be driven out into
the war, especially on the German
side.

In one thing we are unanimous -
we would do anything to be able
to help them with food; especially

things about what will happen. A royal proposition here is quite
the same thing as a government bill in England; but our first chamber
has the local parishibility - not even near it - of departing in one year

in the south of Finland and in the
cities the civil population is starving,
and for every week it grows worse. But
we can hardly do anything; on one
side we have nothing to spare ourselves.
I believe this year we are worse off
than ^{even} the Germans as to food and
dearth, and even here we are afraid
of hunger riots in the spring; and
on the other side, even if we had
anything to send, we are afraid of
everything only getting into the hands
of the red guard and the Russian
soldiers. A plan has been up of
getting the government - our govern-
ment I mean - to institute some
thing like the American help com-
missions in Belgium, a Swedish
commission that could take care
of what could be sent and distribute

where the other just in indignation. It will have a royal proposition
with a little more respect our country than a private member; but
it can not do it - The question is whether it will. We do not know; perhaps

in to the civil population; but I
or not know if it is feasible; it
of course depends on the possibility
of getting not only the permission
of the leaders of the red guards that
hold all south of Finland occupied,
but also a guarantee of some sort
that they are able to keep their
promises.

Perhaps when you read this, the
side of law and order has gained
in Finland; I hope that then their
acts will be better than their word,
and that the unhappy country will
be able to calm down without
further atrocities.

Perhaps I have abused of your
time in writing all this; but we are
all brim full of only Finland and
Finland and Finland.

I think you or would for your brief letter; we shall certainly
send you a telephone for March the 13th; I believe our telephone will
be better in parliament before earlier; but it is very difficult to say any -