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Women's Suffrage Militancy

Quotation
Ford Lytton 3979

Men's League for W.S.

Ford Lytton - Thursday 22 Feb 1910 at Men's League
Queen's Hall, Abingdon

"The General Election afforded them a striking example of the distinction made between the treatment of ordinary interruptors (men) of public meetings & those who simply asked for votes for women. During the election there was organised interruption of meetings of the most violent kind, but it was only those who asked questions about women's suffrage who were bundled out.

"There was more violence and damage during the three weeks of the election than had been committed by the women who asked for the vote during the past three years."

June 4th, 1945.

Dear Mrs.

Dear Member,

The war in Europe is over. We are now ready to go ahead. Many jobs ably done by women during the past six years will automatically come to an end, and they will have leisure for political or social service again.

Our General Election activity is bringing us to the notice of many sympathisers for the first time, so this is the psychological moment for a new membership drive. Although our membership is growing steadily, it must grow rapidly larger to be adequate to the National and Civic work we want to do.

We have set ourselves a target of 15,000 new members. Will you send us the names and addresses and occupation of every woman you think could be interested and I will write to them from Headquarters.

PLEASE FILL IN the names on the back of this letter and return to me. Thank you. I know I can count on your co-operation.

Yours sincerely,

T. BILLINGTON GREIG

Honorary Director.

We have met such a case before, and the "arguments" a man used under such conditions are indeed "irrefragable!"

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