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MAX GATE,
DORCHESTER.

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Mrs Thomas Hardy resigns her
membership of the London Soc.^y
for Women's Suffrage. (at least
for the present) though always
highly in favour of the movement
& impressed with the justice,
importance, & wisdom of it.
But is averse to the strongly
aggressive attitude of one
section, in the attempt to
assassinate the Prime Minister,
which with the other very
violent acts of stone-throwing
etc; by the Suffragettes, who

are by the generality of people
identified with one & all the
branches of this great movement
is very unchristian, & not
likely to bring about a
successful result; it would
seem better, having made the
demand in various distinct ways
& mild & just attempts at
petitioning, to wait more patiently
till the country is permeated
with the justice of the cause,
carrying on meanwhile a
peaceful but continuous assault
upon the understanding of
opponents. Men's prejudice & obstinacy
being exceedingly great on account
of centuries past. But Time
works wonders, & the future
promises well for success.