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THE RECENT MEETING IN WESTMINSTER TOWN HALL.

To the Editor of the Women's Suffrage Journal.

Madam,—Will you kindly mention my name in the next number of the *Women's Suffrage Journal* as one of those who were present at the annual meeting of the Central Committee, held at the Westminster Town Hall, London, on the 9th July last. I handed my name to the reporter on that occasion, but he must have overlooked it in making up his list. I am an old subscriber to the society.—Yours faithfully,

NATHANIEL WATERALL.

Waddon, Croydon, Surrey, 28th August, 1889.

PARLIAMENTARY PETITIONS.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.  
PARLIAMENTARY FRANCHISE (EXTENSION TO WOMEN) BILL.—In Favour.

ELEVENTH REPORT, 18—24 June, 1889.

June	Brought forward, Petitions	186—
3606 19 TARBORLEY, Inhabitants of (Mr. Woodall)	Signatures	5,169
3607 21 BRIGHTON, Inhabitants of (Sir William Marriott)	...	41
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These Petitions are similar to that from York [APP. 1].

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THE National Society for Women's Suffrage is in no way responsible for the Bill to remove the political and other disabilities of women which was introduced and withdrawn last month by Mr. HALDANE. The Bill goes far beyond any Bill relating to the suffrage which has ever been promoted by the Women's Suffrage Society, and deals with other matters, such as eligibility to fulfil public or official positions, on a scale far beyond anything which has been hitherto advocated in connection with the movement for altering the legal status of women. It is impossible to imagine that the promoters of this Bill can suppose that it could pass, at least in its present form, and it is difficult to believe that its introduction can serve any purpose but that of preventing the adoption of a more moderate and reasonable measure. The existence of this Bill forms undoubtedly one more difficulty in the way of a practicable Women's Franchise Bill, and it is to be hoped that further consideration may induce Mr. HALDANE to refrain from pressing these wider questions until the House of Commons shall have had an opportunity of giving a vote on the simple and initial proposal of extending to Parliamentary elections the principle of women's suffrage, as now established by common and statute law, for unmarried women and widows in municipal, county council, and other local elections.

A CURIOUS commentary on the "Appeal" against Women's Suffrage in the *Nineteenth Century Review* is furnished by the latest recorded proceedings of one of the most notable of the ladies whose names appear in connection with it. The Appeal solemnly affirms that the emancipation process, which has given women increased opportunities for public usefulness, "has now reached the limits fixed by the physical constitution of women, and by the fundamental difference which must always exist between their occupations and those of men. The care of the sick and the insane, the treatment of the poor, the education of children, in all these matters, and others beside, they have made good their claim to larger and more extended powers. We rejoice in it. But when it comes to questions

of foreign or colonial policy, or of grave constitutional change, then we maintain that the necessary and normal experience of women, speaking generally and in the mass, does not and can never provide them with such materials for sound judgment as are open to men."

One of the ladies whose names are appended to the Appeal containing this proposition is Mrs. LABOUCHERE, and now we have an opportunity of observing what is Mrs. LABOUCHERE'S practical exposition of it. We learn from the *Daily News* that a ladies' political garden party was held on the 7th of July, by permission of Mrs. VOLKMAN, at the White House, near London. There were present a number of members of Women's Liberal Associations of South West Ham, Bow and Bromley, Hackney, Chelsea, and Kensington. Mrs. LABOUCHERE took the chair, and made a strong party speech. Speaking of the South West Ham Women's Liberal Association she said they wanted it to grow stronger every year, and it ought to do so because they intended to nourish it on healthy Radical food. She urged her hearers to work hard so that when the opportunity occurred they could turn out the Government, and then bring about a better condition of things.

This is pretty well for a lady who has just appended her name to a document which deprecates the admission of women to direct power in the state in matters where "the accumulated experience and inherited training of men ought to prevail without the harassing interference of those who, though they can be partners with men in debate, can never be partners with men in action."

THE name of one of the ladies who signed the protest against women's suffrage in the *Nineteenth Century Review* recalls an anecdote of this lady and her husband which was current a few years ago. The husband, when a member of the House of Commons, took an active part in the reform of the married women's property law. In reference to the words of the marriage service, "With all my worldly goods I thee endow," he remarked to his wife, "I had nothing to endow you with." "Oh, yes, you



had, my dear; you had your brains." "No one ever supposed I had endowed you with those," was the rejoinder.

A BILL has passed the House of Lords for consolidating and carrying further the policy of Lord BROUGHAM'S Act relating to shortening the language used in Acts of Parliament, of which the first clause relates to gender and number. The clause begins as follows:—"In this Act, and in every Act passed after the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty, whether before or after the commencement of this Act, unless the contrary intention appears, a word importing the masculine gender shall include females." The clause goes on to state that the same rules shall be observed in the construction of every enactment relating to an offence punishable on indictment or on summary conviction when the enactment is contained in an Act passed in or before the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty.

The re-consideration and re-enactment of these clauses brings again forcibly before the minds of the people the glaring inequality of the rule by which the word man in an Act inflicting penalties or imposing taxation is interpreted to include women, but when the same phraseology is used to confer representation, the interpretation of such Acts excludes women.

THE new Interpretation Act has furnished a very convenient official expression for the registers of electors throughout the country which include women. It is enacted that the expression "Local Government register of electors" shall mean as respects an administrative county in England, other than a county borough, the county register, and as respects a county borough or other municipal borough the burgess roll.

Women who are householders and ratepayers, in any part of the country, are placed on one or other of these district registers. We can, therefore, for practical purposes, conveniently designate the women for whom the Parliamentary suffrage is demanded as the women who are already placed on the Local Government register of electors.

WE beg to call the attention of women who are lawfully placed on the register for County Council and municipal elections, to the Women Householders' Declaration which is issued in connection with this Journal for the purpose of making a permanent record of the names of women so qualified who desire such an alteration of the law as

would enable them to exercise the Parliamentary franchise. The Declaration is given on the second page of our present issue, and it is proposed to publish the names as they are sent in from month to month. It is believed that if a numerous and influential body of women who would themselves be entitled to vote under the proposed extension of the franchise were marshalled in continuously increasing numbers, it would form a demonstration the effect of which would not be traversed by appeals or protests from women who would not come under the operation of the proposed Bill. If A, B, and C ask for a boon, it is not a reasonable ground of refusal to allege that X, Y, and Z do not want it. Therefore we urge women who are qualified according to the terms of the Women Householders' Declaration to assist in the efforts for their enfranchisement, by sending their names to this office.

FORMS for the collection of signatures will be sent on application, but, in the absence of a form, a letter giving particulars of qualification, &c., and authorising the editor to append the name to the Declaration, will be sufficient. Women who, in addition to being occupiers, are owners of freehold property—houses or land—should give particulars as to where such property is situated. Occupation of property in a borough and residence in, or within seven miles from the boundary, gives a vote for a borough. Occupation of property, or ownership irrespective of residence, gives a vote for a county. Joint occupation or ownership of property may qualify two or more persons according to the value of the property. It will be seen on reference to the list that some of the signatories have qualifications which would give them a vote in more than one constituency under the present electoral law if it were amended so as to include women, and it is desired that in all such cases the qualifications for the several constituencies should appear in the list.

Should further information be desired, the editor will be happy to furnish it for all who wish to sign the Declaration.

PRINCESS BEATRICE has led the way in a new experience for Royal ladies by making practical acquaintance with the conditions under which the toilers in the dark and grimy pit extract the material for domestic comfort and national wealth. The Princess, accompanied by her husband and Princess ALIX of HESSE, descended three hundred yards down the shaft of the Wynnstay coal mine, and thence proceeded upwards of a quarter of a mile

## A CONVERTED KENTUCKIAN.

Judge John J. Orr, of Buffalo, Wyoming, an able and popular lawyer, has written a letter on woman suffrage, which is published with approving comment in the *Cheyenne Tribune*. The letter is copied by the *Big Horn Sentinel*, which says:—

"Judge Orr is a gentleman of keen discrimination and sound judgment. For many years a resident of Kentucky, he came to Wyoming with a prejudice against woman voting. He finds, upon coming face to face with the practical workings of the ballot in the hands of women, that only beneficial results follow. His reasons are clear, cogent, and convincing, and especially entitled to careful consideration because of his heretofore existing prejudice and opposition to it."

Judge Orr says:—

"I confess to great respect for any principle or practice which has received the sanction of ages; but I do not feel bound by any doctrine, principle, or practice which has nothing but age to support it. I think, and try to act upon the idea, that that which is practically good must be theoretically right. My observation has been that the women as a general thing are for that which is right, that which is for the good of mankind, that which is moral, upright, elevating, ennobling; and such an element would most surely have a tendency to correct many evils which have heretofore been practised at the polls.

"The fundamental qualification for the exercise of the right of suffrage is intelligence and an honest purpose to advance the public weal. The disqualifications are ignorance, vice, debauchery, and corruption. Judged by this standard, I apprehend the lord of creation, all-sufficient as he may have imagined himself to be, in gloating over his supposed superiority mentally as well as physically, would find the comparison anything but flattering to his assumed superiority.

"I feel that we should accommodate ourselves to the progress and to the conditions of the age in which we live. That which may have been a good law or a good custom in one country, or in one age of the world, may not, and often is not, in another country or in another age. Such things are to be judged by their surroundings. We have been gradually brought to acknowledge and to accord to woman her rights. It has been a matter of slow growth in all civilised countries. One avenue after another has been opened to her, until, in almost all the ordinary avocations of life, and in the possession of property, and the right to use the powers God has given her to gain an independent support, she stands on almost the same plane with her would-be lord. Is there any reason to regret this accretion of rights and privileges to her? I apprehend that few could be so obturate in their anti-progressive notions as to express a regret.—Yours truly,  
J. J. ORR."

The *Cheyenne Tribune* says:—

"Judge Orr is a gentleman whose modesty, urbanity, and conspicuous abilities have made all who know him forget their prejudices against new men and foreign federal officials. His common sense in this letter digs down to the very 'bed rock' upon which the rights of women rest."—*Woman's Journal*, Boston, U.S.A.

## THREE VIEWS OF IT.

"I remember," said an old railroad man yesterday, as he sat in a crimson velvet easy chair in the *Boomerang* office, and rested his feet on the burnished fender, "how in '69, when I was in the Wyoming Legislature, the Woman Suffrage Bill came up for action, and was referred to a committee of three. I was selected as one, and an old miner and a cattle-man made up the balance. It was an act to grant to the women of Wyoming Territory the right of suffrage and to hold office. It was, of course, a new deal, and we didn't know exactly what the effect would be on the Territory. As chairman of the committee I said to the other two members, when we had tackled the measure: 'Gentlemen, this is a pretty important move. It is a kind of a wild train on a single track, and we've got to keep our eye peeled or we'll get in the ditch. It's a new conductor making his first run. He don't know the stations

through a narrow gallery until the face of the coal was reached. Here the Princess, armed with a new pick, proceeded to hew out a lump of coal, an example which was followed by the rest of the party. The Princess afterwards exploded a mine by touching a button attached to an electric wire. Before descending into the mine, the Princess had been invested with a sort of diploma entitling her to act as a qualified "shot-firer." What penalties would have accrued had this precaution been neglected we cannot say, but even as it is we are not sure that the Inspector under the Mines Regulation Act might not have something to say if he chose to press the matter. There are very stringent rules prohibiting the work of women underground in coal mines, and it is possible that if the letter of the law were enforced Princess BEATRICE'S trophy might prove an expensive piece of coal for the managers of the Wynnstay collieries.

## PARLIAMENTARY INTELLIGENCE.

HOUSE OF COMMONS, August 2nd.

WOMEN'S DISABILITIES REMOVAL BILL.

Bill to amend the Law relating to the political and other Disabilities of Women, ordered to be brought in by Mr. Haldane, Sir Edward Grey, and Mr. Thomas Ellis.  
Women's Disabilities Removal Bill,—“to amend the law relating to the political and other Disabilities of Women,” presented accordingly, and read the first time; to be read a second time upon Thursday next, and to be printed. [Bill 363.]

August 8th.

Women's Disabilities Removal Bill,—Order for Second Reading read, and discharged:—Bill withdrawn.

## DEBATING SOCIETIES.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY EXTENSION.

During the proceedings at Oxford in connection with the University extension scheme, most of the students of which are women, a debate took place in the Union Society's rooms on woman's suffrage. Mr. A. Sidgwick (Corpus) proposed "That the Parliamentary suffrage should be extended to women on the same conditions as to men." The motion was opposed by Mr. Macan (University), and an animated discussion followed in which several women took part. Mr. Sidgwick having replied, a division was taken, when there voted for the motion, 373; against, 129; majority for the motion, 244.

## HOW MANY MORE ARE THERE LIKE THIS?

In the current number of the *Nineteenth Century* is a list of something like 2,000 signatures, the names of ladies that signed the protest issued by Mr. Knowles against female suffrage. It may interest Mr. Knowles to know that one of the signatories signed the protest after making it read in favour of female suffrage—inserting "nots" and deleting them where necessary. Of course the lady was surprised to see her name published as against female suffrage, she naturally thinking that the document would be consigned to the waste-paper basket. No doubt for Mr. Knowles's private edification, if he signifies his wish through us for it, the lady will be willing to disclose her name. Meanwhile he might profitably scrutinise the remaining forms before publishing further lists.—*The Star*.



hardly, and he feels as if there was a spotter on every coach besides. Female suffrage changes the management, and it may put the whole outfit in the hands of a receiver in a year. We can't tell when Wyoming Territory will be side-tracked, with a lot of female conductors running the train, and a female master-mechanic, and a female division superintendent, and a lot of giddy girls at the brakes. I tell you, we want to consider this thing pretty thoroughly. Of course, we get our time-check when the session closes, and we don't care much; but if Wyoming gets a hot-box hereafter, or telescopes some other Territory, folks will point us out and say there's where the difficulty is. We sent a choice aggregation of railroad-men, and miners, and cattle-men down here to Cheyenne, thinking we had a car-load of statesmen to work up this thing for us; and here we are without any law or any gospel in the whole domain. I'm in favour of the move, and if the rest of you couple on with me, we'll hand in our report and get our orders.

"The stockman didn't have much to say. He just said: 'Mr. Chairman, I don't talk very much. I'm poorly calculated to paralyse the throng with native eloquence. I tell you, talk is inexpensive, anyhow. I agree with the chair that we want to be familiar with the range before we go wild like a lot of Texas cattle just off the trail, travelling one hundred miles a day and filling ourselves up with poison weed and other peculiar vegetables. We want to consider what we're about, and act with some judgment. When we turn this maverick over to the Governor to be branded, we want to know that we're corralling the correct animal. You can't lariat a broncho mule with a clothes-line sometimes; and, after we've run this bill in and got it in the shute, we might want to pay four or five good men to help us let go. However, I shall vote for it as it is, and take chances on the round-up. Passing a bill is like buying a brand on the range, anyhow. You may tally ahead, and you may get everlastingly left with a little withered bunch of Texas frames that there is no more hope of fattening than there would be of fattening a velocipede.'

"The member from the mining district said: 'Mr. Chairman, I don't know what kind of a fist the women will make of politics, but I'm prepared to invest with the surface indications. It may be a true fissure move, and it may be a doggon slide. We can't tell till we go down on it. All we can do is to prospect around and see that we comply with the United States law and the law of the district about locations. Then two more years will show whether we've got mineral in place or not. If it works all right, the next shift that comes to the Legislature can drift and slope the blamed thing, and get the wealth. We don't expect to declare any dividend the first year. It'll take time to show what there is in the measure and declare dividends. My opinion is that women can give this Territory a boom that will make her the bonanza of all creation. We've got mighty pretty blossom rock already, and if we manage right, Wyoming will be quoted on the boards in a mighty short time. I was in California years ago, up in the hills, looking for a placer, and I run into a camp in a gulch there where there wasn't a woman, and hadn't been one seen for two or three years. At first they thought it was pretty fine, it was so quiet, and life was like a dream. After a while, though, the men got down at the heel. They got so depraved that they wore their clothes a year at a time, and threw their dust away on any fool that came along. By-and-by a Yankee school ma'am and her brother went into the camp for their health, and everything was lovely. The boys braced up and had some style about them. They saved their dust, and built up the town. My opinion is that the mother of a statesman is better calculated to vote than a man that can't read or write. I may be a little peculiar, but I think when a woman has marched a band of boys all the way up to manhood and given them a start and made good citizens of them, with this wicked world to buck against, she can vote all day, so far as I am concerned, in preference to the man who don't know whether Michigan is in Missouri or Arizona. I'm in favour of making the location and going ahead with our assessment work, and I'll go my pile that there hasn't been a measure approved by our august body this winter that will show more mineral on the dump in five years than this one.'

"So the committee made out its report and submitted it in about that way; and if there's been any bad breaks made by Wyoming since that time, you can't lay it to that law."—*Laramie (Wy.) Boomerang.*

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE PRIMROSE LEAGUE AND WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE.  
*To the Editor of the Women's Suffrage Journal.*

Madam,—It was with great grief that I saw the name of the Dowager Duchess of Marlborough in the list of those who disapproved of the enfranchisement of those of her own sex who were qualified for it. Her Grace has spoken so frequently and so well on political subjects, that I was more astonished than I can express when I found her signature attached to that document, which declares that women are enfranchised enough, that their civil freedom is now to stop short. When I became a dame of the Primrose League, it was with the hope, a hope shared by many others, that if we worked successfully for the League, our reward would be the vote. In the division where I reside there is no doubt the dames of the Primrose League "lifted in" the candidate, as he himself expressed it. Notwithstanding the really hard work of the dames, they are still I fear to be kept as "hewers of wood and drawers of water," as one of our two presidents has protested against our being allowed political freedom. I fear much for the interests of the Primrose League, to whose principles I am much attached, and which, I feel sure, women would help to maintain if they had a chance. I am not at all distressed about the other signatures to the document. What is the real reason for refusing us the privilege our position as rate and tax payers ought to give us? It is all nonsense to talk of moral disqualification when all men have the votes. There must be some other ground for disappointing us so often.—  
Yours, &c.,  
A DAME PRESIDENT OF THE PRIMROSE LEAGUE.  
August 25th, 1889.

ON THE LADIES' PROTEST AGAINST WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE.

(From *Judy*.)

Now, everybody's heard about  
The string of names, and a' that,  
Of certain dames who feel in doubt  
If they should vote, and a' that;  
For a' that, and a' that,  
Their arguments and a' that;  
We've better on the other side,  
And mean to win, for a' that.

Suppose a woman doesn't care  
For politics, and a' that,  
Is that a reason she should fear  
The thing is wrong, and a' that?  
For a' that, and a' that,  
Poor timid souls, and a' that;  
The girls of independent minds,  
They only laugh at a' that.

And let them look at England's Queen,  
With all her power, and a' that,  
And ask if there was ever seen  
A better wife, and a' that?  
For a' that, and a' that,  
The right to vote, and a' that;  
Old England's girls will never be  
A bit the worse for a' that.

Now women learn the whole affair,  
And canvass, speak, and a' that;  
'Twould puzzle one to make it clear,  
Why we should stop at a' that;  
For a' that, and a' that,  
In spite of fears, and a' that;  
Ability and common sense  
Are bound to win, for a' that.

Though some may try to pass it by,  
The time will come, for a' that,  
When women all throughout the land  
Shall have fair play, and a' that;  
For a' that, and a' that,  
It's coming yet, for a' that;  
When Britain's daughters, as her sons,  
Shall have the vote, and a' that.

PRIZE COMPETITION No. 11.

AN OLD CHARADE.

(Said to be written by Charles Fox.)

Inscribed on many a learned page,  
In mystic characters and sage,  
Long time my first has stood;  
And though its golden age be past,  
In wooden walls it yet may last,  
Till clothed in flesh and blood.

My second is a glorious prize  
For all who love their wondering eyes  
With curious sights to pamper:  
But should they chance this prize to meet,  
Al improvise in the street,  
Oh, how 't would make them scamper!

My whole's a sort of wandering throne,  
To woman limited alone,  
The Salique law reversing;  
But when th' imaginary Queen  
Prepares to act this novel scene,  
Her royal part rehearsing,  
O'erturning her presumptuous plan  
Up jumps the old usurper, Man.

A prize of five shillings will be given to the writer of the first letter which shall be opened containing a correct solution of the above charade. Letters will be put by until August 15th, and then opened in the order determined by lot. After that date they will be opened as received.

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ANAGRAMS RECEIVED TOO LATE FOR COMPETITION No. 10.

1. How not serve the Nation duly? Content to wait the need.
2. Who ventures to deny the notion that we can't need toil?
3. How I detested the notion that we cannot venture only!

PATCH.

Obituary.

SIR WILLIAM EWART, Bt., M.P.—We record with great regret the death of Sir W. Ewart, member for the Northern division of Belfast, which occurred in London on August 1st, after a short illness, at the age of seventy-two years. The deceased baronet was a Conservative, and a supporter of women's suffrage.

MRS. H. J. ROBY.—We record with great regret the death of this lady, who was one of the foremost of the ladies in Manchester who take an active part in social and philanthropic movements. She was for some time a member of the Executive Committee of the Women's Suffrage Society. She was honorary secretary of the High School for Girls, and took great interest in the efforts for enabling girls to go on from the elementary schools to the High School, and thence to Owens College or Girton or Newnham, and in other educational work. For some months Mrs. Roby had been suffering from illness, which terminated fatally on August 11th. Mrs. Roby leaves a husband and family to mourn her loss.

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