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to Montoya Thomson, W.

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Dear Miss Palmer

I am sorry not to be  
at the meeting this afternoon. I am  
frighting off a cold, & with Mr.  
Dale's, at home in prospect for  
to-morrow, it seems best not to  
risk increasing it.

I gather that the business is to  
consider whether a report from the  
Sub. Com. on textile workers shall be  
read at the Annual Meeting.

One cannot judge of this without  
knowing its purpose. As we have  
made them a grant, it wd seem  
wd unreasonable to give a sort  
of interim report of their work,  
but it may contain proposals or  
statements which it would wd be  
wise to bring forward at a public  
meeting. In any case it would  
wd I suppose, be brought on table  
all the Agenda, or the notices, papers  
including the Addresses has been  
disposed of.

May I suggest that all the  
Business - including Branch Societies  
& Appointment of Auditors, might  
be proposed from the Chair, thus  
avoiding the necessity of calling  
speeches from people who would  
rather not make them.

I do hope there will be no  
attempt to bring in the question  
of the imprisoned Suffragets, on  
which feeling is so strong on both  
sides. If it should be raised, could  
it not be said from the Chair that

We are there to hear of & discuss  
the proceedings of the Central  
Society, wd of the Social & Political  
Union, which is wd associated  
with us, & is wd in the position  
of the Nat. Union of Societies, which  
have Women's Suffrage as their  
sole object.

It would be grievous to have a  
dispute, which the "reptile press"  
might be glad to report & perhaps  
misrepresent.

Yours sincerely

S. Davies.