

603 E. Winchester

Askland Ky.

Oct. 2, 1911.

Dear Miss Laura Clay,

1 Will you please tell us when and where the State Equal R. A. is to meet and where? Give us the number of Delegates to which we are entitled.

3 When must we send the dues which are yet to be collected.

4 How many members before we can send a National Delegate. We have not any Constitution or by laws and our new President (Mrs. C. M. Freeman has asked for

Any literature pertaining to the
National E. R. A. will be thankfully
received

them. please send us
a formula for Local
by laws. Oh! how we would
like to meet with you in
Louisville the 19th. The State
S.S. Convention meets there too at that
time, but one Delegate cannot
serve 2 masters. We could
not possibly get reduced R.R.
rates up this way. Please
let us know if we could
get rates. We have never
seen a report of the last
State E. R. A. Would like a
report. Send the information
this week as we will not hold
a meeting till we hear from you
cordially

(Mrs) H. H. Bagley
Ashland E. R. A. Sec.

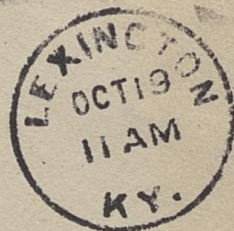
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Mrs. B. F. Avery
.....
WYOMING, N. Y.

Answered Oct. 27, 1911

Mrs. Laura Clay
Lexington

Ky -
Richmond Ky





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San Antonio, Texas

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My dear Miss Clay, In talking yesterday with-
Miss Brackinidge she thought "Capra" should
be sung at some place as it was the favorite
with many good musicians. She says she found
this prize for the purpose of getting
the suffrage cause advantaged and call
people's attention to it. who did not think much
about it. When the four songs were returned to
her because she had the power to call the meeting
halt but she said she preferred to start

all of our singers to thinking a long than the
lines & for that reason she asked their advice
she thinks now if the decision is made at
Lonsville it will add to the publicity &
interest. I want Miss B. to go to Lonsville
but she has not yet decided.
The Express will syndicate our suffrage page
and I think it will be quite unique.

With best wishes

M. B. Fenwick

I hope I can get
the song by Bernice Reid was noted by our singers as
quite impassible as it could not be sung.

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Dear Miss Clay,

Thank you very much for all the trouble you have taken. Please do not think that because I live in Chicago today I have always lived there. Remember I come from a country where houses may be fifty miles apart. I do not anticipate learning all about the varied conditions in one two weeks. I am not so foolish. But I do know city industrial America so thoroughly that I thought I could not do better than try and supplement that knowledge by that of some other phase of American life. Surely, you will admit, a commendable enough desire. I am an easy person to entertain, too. I just take what comes along. The only thing I wanted to be sure of was that I should not have just the same sort of things coming along as I have all the time. I am sure you have many Kentuckys, I shall be content if I see one of them.

As to the Constitution, as I think I said before I am not at all an expert on constitutions. But there is a great deal I do not like about these amendments. I am sure an Eastern Board will be resented. At the same time I do not think that at the stage our movement has now arrived, decisions by correspondence are satisfactory. Many things are then never brought up at all, from the hopelessness of dealing properly with them by letter. I would compromise on four meetings a year, and see that we have the money to make such meetings possible. I do not at all think that the time has passed for a National Organization.

In one sense it has only begun. Why that was the whole point of my letter in Woman's Journal of September 9. That a national organization is so important that it should be made permanent that thus only can the organization of women for that equality of which the vote is only a part, be made effective intensively or extensively.

Believe me

Yours cordially

Abigail Mary

Lexington, Ky.

Oct. 2nd, 1911.

Dear Mrs. Reynolds,

I have just received your card, and send you three of the Calls you asked for. My supply is limited; but I have written to Miss Jessie Ashley, at National headquarters, to send you a supply.

I am glad to hear you are to be in Louisville and I hope you will induce many others to attend both conventions.

Very sincerely yours,

Lexington, Kentucky.

Oct. 2nd, 1911.

Dear Miss Ashley,

I have just received a letter from Miss Blackwell, saying when she planned to start to Richmond, Kentucky, to audit the books. She says she plans to leave Boston Wednesday (Oct. 4th) morning, reaching New York in the afternoon, where she will break the journey by spending the night, going to Headquarters Thursday, and leaving for Richmond either Thursday night or Friday morning.

It takes about twenty-four hours to come from New York to Richmond, Kentucky; and so the books should ^{be} sent to reach Richmond by the morning of Saturday, Oct. 7th, unless Miss Blackwell undertakes to bring them along with her.

Please express the books (if you send them by express) to
Miss Laura Clay,

Care of Mrs. James Bennett,

Richmond,

Kentucky.

Very truly yours,

P.S. Will you kindly write me a line when you send the books, saying how you sent them and the address to which they were sent? On account of my dividing my time pretty equally between two addresses sometimes I have had business delayed by lack of this precaution.

L.C.

I have received a request from Mrs. Mattie Bruce Reynolds, 502 Greenup Street, Covington, Kentucky, asking for several of the Calls from the National, with information of arrangements for the Convention, etc. Will you kindly send her some? I have used those sent to me.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., *Oct. 5* 191*1*

My dear Miss Clay:

We have received very interesting replies to the letter and resolutions which we sent out in regard to the proposed new Constitution for the National Association. I have for some days wanted to send you a summary of the letters, and have waited to do so, but now I must content myself with sending just the names of the states, which are as follows:

Colorado, opposed to wholesale changes.

Illinois " " "

Maryland " " "

Massachusetts " " "

Michigan, especially opposed to change of name and new basis of membership.

Mississippi, with us, "but a weak state."

New Hampshire, unanimously with us.

New York, new basis of membership would disintegrate the states.

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New Jersey - delegates will go to Convention uninstructed, altho Exec. Bd is in sympathy with our action.

Ohio - Mrs. Steinem personally with us.

Oklahoma - Treas., Mrs. Biggers, personally with us. President has not written.

Rhode Island - Miss Gates, pres., with us.

Washington - Mrs. De Voe writes "The Suffragists of Wash^g State are in hearty accord with the spirit of the Resolutions."

Minnesota - Exec. Bd. with us, but State Pres. refuses to ^{take action.}
These, with your own Kentucky, make
in all ~~fourteen~~ ^{fifteen} states which have replied.

I am thinking of printing the old and new constitutions in parallel columns for the real convenience of Convention delegates, to save the temper of the members and to ensure intelligent action on the part of those who have not followed the discussion in the Woman's Journal closely. This is not heartily favored

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by our local members, but my experience here in Wash^{ton} convinces me that it would save endless fumbling around to find the place, and possibly insure more intelligent action on the part of those who have not heretofore followed the discussion closely. On beginning to arrange the matter however, I am a little doubtful as to whether to make the basis of comparison the old or the proposed constitution, to be of most service in the discussion — that is, whether to place the old constitution in its regular order and arrange the new sections opposite. Do you think the opposite arrangement would be most helpful?

I desire further to say that we of Washington are prepared to follow your lead in the Convention on this whole matter, and I was very glad when Miss Gillett indicated that it would be wiser to leave the Generalship to you. With best wishes for the success of the Convention, I am
Very sincerely yours
Harriette J. Hyton.

Richmond, Ky.

Oct. 7th, 1911.

My dear Mrs. Obenchain,

I have just received your letter, and though I am pressed with the work which comes before conventions, I am writing a few lines to beg you to go to Louisville for the conventions, for the Ky. E. R. A. also holds its convention Oct. 25th, in The Seelbach Red Room.

I think you owe it to your literary work not to miss this great opportunity. I suffered for years with nervous prostration and never found that a little trip fatigued me any more than staying at home. If you fear the noise and publicity of the hotel, I would advise you to get a room in one of the boarding houses mentioned in the W. Journal, and go and sit in the hotel parlors when you feel like meeting people.

I hope you will represent the Bowling Green E. R. A. at the Ky. State convention.

Hoping certainly to see you at Louisville.

I am most cordially yours,

Richmond, Ky.

Oct. 7th, 1911.

Dear Member of the Official Board,

I suppose all of you have received copies of the answers from Miss Ashley, Mrs. Dennett and Miss Shaw to my letter of Sept. 12th. The first part of my letter did not require answering; but Miss Shaw made comments upon it to which a sufficient ~~answer~~ reply is to ask the members of the Board to read again Miss Shaw's letter of August 30th and ~~mine of Sept. 12th~~ Sept. 6th, and mine of Sept. 12th.

In Miss Shaw's letter of Sept. 29th she refers to several times, without mentioning what they were, when the Board accepted and expended gifts in the way she proposed to do in her letter of Sept. 6th. As I do not recall such an instance in the years I have been on the Board it never occurred to me that any one thought there was a precedent for such a proposition; and as I am not aware of it if there is a record of one I do not admit that there is a precedent in any form which should affect my duty to use my own judgment about entering official objections, or to make entering objections inconsistent with official propriety or perfect courtesy.

Miss Ashley's and Mrs. Dennett's replies ^{to the second part of my letter} show me that I was wrong in my conclusion that they knew of the interlineation and other changes in Mrs. Belmont's pledge any material time before the information was conveyed to the distant members of the Board. This surprised me, for I had certainly supposed that the members at headquarters communicated to each other important business information. Miss Shaw argues that the facts were so necessary an inference from Mrs. Belmont's promise of support of headquarters given at Seattle that it was needless to mention it to the members of the Board. As far as I am concerned such an argument is altogether unsound. She speaks of Mrs. Belmont as having made a "pledge" at Seattle.

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There is no such pledge recorded either in the minutes of the Convention or the minutes of the Official Board, as far as I have been able to find. All information was verbal and came through Miss Shaw. If I received the impression from the discussions that Mrs. Belmont's offer was of the nature of a pledge to the Convention that impression was dispelled by the occurrences at the Board meeting in New York in December, 1909. According to the minutes of the Official Board:† "Dec. 21st, 2 P.M. Mrs. Belmont then made a statement with reference to the rooms rented as headquarters, to the effect that she would give all of the space now occupied by the National headquarters rent free, provided all the space should be occupied by Miss Shaw, and suggested that the \$900.00 now being paid her (Mrs. Belmont) for headquarters rent, be expended for rent elsewhere if Miss Shaw were not to be exclusively in headquarters, and the inharmony now existing were not removed". "Dec. 22nd, 1909.... Mrs. Kelley moved that the Board accept Mrs. Belmont's suggestion that the Board find other offices. Seconded by Mrs. Upton". Thus it was impressed upon my mind, so far from the Convention's having received a pledge for two years, that the tenure was likely to be terminated before the convention in April. To prevent the possibility of its occurring again that the Board might have to make provisions for moving and supporting headquarters without the instructions of the Convention I insisted that a lease should be signed which should specify in a definite manner the terms upon which we occupied headquarters. Mrs. McCulloch drew up the lease upon the basis of the pledge Mrs. Belmont sent in a letter to Miss Shaw, which was read to and accepted by the convention and afterwards printed in the minutes. It made no allusion to a previous agreement at Seattle; and as the Convention at Chicago had voted to hold the annual meetings in the fall, there was nothing to my mind which should make me infer that the lease would expire before the fall convention and that the Board would have the responsibility of deciding what to do about headquar-

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ber.

The Federation of Woman's Clubs held a meeting in Richmond Oct. 3 and 4. I had the opportunity of holding a long conference with the Chairman of the Platform Committee of the National Convention. I learned that many of our excellent friends in Louisville and elsewhere were much disturbed by the idea of a reception on Sunday evening at the Seelbach. I explained that the reception was nothing but the officers sitting in the parlors and receiving such friends as chose to call. But it was of no avail. The Chairman and others thought it would be impossible to disabuse the public mind of the thought impression that it was of such a nature as might even seriously interfere with the presence and co-operation at the convention of valuable persons. Therefore, I suggested that they should not print the announcement of the reception on the programs, but leave it to verbal announcements at the meetings. This seemed to remove the objection. Again, I found we had nearly run upon a "snag" by proposing that a suffrage song should be sung to the tune of Dixie. The feelings of the sympathizers of the Confederacy were alarmed by a suggestion to use that tune for other than the Lost Cause. Even I had not thought of that; and I explained with great care that the proposition had come entirely from the Lone Star state. Perhaps that feeling is just now particularly lively because there is to be a great uncovering of a monument to John Morgan, the Confederate cavalry leader, in Lexington the week we commence our convention, to be followed by the general convention of the United Daughters of the Confederacy. Kentucky was the one southern state where sentiment was equally divided between the North and the South, and where therefore there is most jealousy about any thing touching war sentiment.

The Federation accepted with pleasure the invitation to send a fraternal delegate to our convention. It has just occurred to me while writing that a similar invitation might be esteemed if extended to the convention of the United Daughters of the Confederacy. If it meets with the approval of the

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Program Committee I suggest that an invitation might be sent through Mrs. A.M.Harrison, Elm Tree Lane, Lexington, Ky. She is not the official person, but I believe she would take it in charge, and thereby bring our question in a certain way favorably before that convention. You could be entirely sure of her tact and good judgment in presenting it.

I was told by the Louisville ^{ladies} at the Board meeting that the committees in Louisville were working with great zeal for the convention and receiving a great deal of popular sympathy. Mrs.Pankhurst's lecture is proving a great attraction. I was glad to learn that 200 tickets free were reserved for the delegates, and that a limited number of complimentary tickets were to be sent to judiciously chosen public personages. Because people from a distance might be much disappointed not to get a seat I suggested that reserved seats might be sold at an advanced price to those desiring them. A note was made of the suggestion; but I do not know if it will be adopted.

Sincerely yours,

Saura Clay.

102 West Broadway.

Louisville Ky.

October 8, 1911.

Dear Miss Clay,

I talked with Mrs. Leach on Friday night after she had returned from a conversation with you.

I am sorry you object to the reception because, when Miss Shaw explained it, all our Committee seemed convinced that no one could object to so informal an affair and agreed to arrange for it. Mrs. Leach was not present at that meeting to hear the explanation. Had she been I think she would have withdrawn her objection.

The reception this year will be no

more than you described such gatherings
in past years as being. The officers
will simply be at home to those
delegates who wish to see them and
talk over their problems. We have
suggested to Miss Shaw that the
announcement be omitted from the
program or else be called merely an
"Informal At Home." We engaged
the parlors of the Seelbach for it
because there are frequently other real
parties held there on Sunday
and we wanted to be sure that
our delegates and officers might
be free to use the parlors without
interruptions from other people.
I really think there can be

no criticism when people understand
that the officers are merely taking
one evening off from strenuous work
to rest and to talk to each other
and to the delegates, using the
parlors of the hotel, since it is their
home for the time being, for this
purpose. I am sure from what
you said to Mrs. Leach that you
will agree. Of course we will
drop the word "reception" with its
unfortunate associations in speaking
of it henceforth, and I'm sure,
if we take the affair naturally
and for granted and make no
more of it than it is, other people
will not think of criticising.

I was elected delegate from the Louisville Association with Mrs. Charles B. Semple as alternate. I have called a board meeting on Saturday morning to discuss the Constitutional matter. Will you let me know before then if there is any other important matter to come up in the State Convention and how the change in Constitution ^{if it passes} would affect the State since our ~~board~~ ^{delegates to the} will wish to instruct the State Convention at the meeting on Saturday.

I have not been able to find out anything about the Juvenile Court Meeting. The Convention Arrangements have taken all my attention so

I asked Mrs. Saml Castleman to find out the date of the meeting and get us a hearing before it through her brother, Judge Mrs. Weisinger, but she has not reported as yet.

If you have any suggestions to make in regard to Convention business or arrangements will you let me hear before Saturday. I trust things will go all right but we are very inexperienced and may be making thousands of mistakes unwittingly.

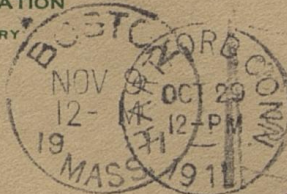
Very sincerely

Virginia P. Robinson.

CONNECTICUT WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION

MRS. EDWARD PORRITT, CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

63 TREMONT STREET, HARTFORD, CONN.



Miss Laura Clay,
Louisville,

Richmond
Kentucky.
addressed to Miss and Mr.

Kentucky.



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Dear Miss Day - I have not yet read
your report on Church work
and am waiting to make out
mine for the Convention
I do not expect to attend in person
as I have been away from my
good husband four months in
England - quite long enough.
Will you read the Report for me?
Kindly send yours as soon as possible
(and oblige yours sincerely M. E. Craigie)

Chairman



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Miss Laura Clay
~~Lexington~~ Richmond
Kentucky Ky

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October 9, 1911.

My dear Miss Clay,

The copy of your
Sept 26 letter to Miss Blackwell
followed me + I let Mrs. Watson
Pres. Cal. & P. A.
read it as you said it was
not confidential. She feels
with us the necessity of economy
+ our having Headquarters suitable
for workrooms such as Cali-
fornia enjoyed. I can not see how
we need elegant parlors.

Now as to moving Headquarters
to Boston, I should not object un-
less the National officers should

spoil the journal by constant interference. I never did like the change of heading nor the new quality of paper nor do I think the Headquarters letters an editorial page should go there any more than yours or mine. Nor are these Headquarters letters generally reports of weekly work or visitors but generally good essays. The authority already assumed by our two new officers, evidently with Miss Shaw's backing, over all the work, might finally annoy Miss Blackwell into dropping her work to a degree + then when the historic name of Blackwell and Stone

and their earthly embodiment are gone, the journal can not keep up. No one of our Board can run a paper but Miss Blackwell tho some would like to try "their prentice hand" at it.

If Miss Blackwell is with you, auditing the books, I wish you would let her see ^{this} for her gentle spirit can catch the point without ~~without~~ my sharpness.

Of course Chicago is no candidate for Headquarters until we can get our rich women aroused to offer big sums. and I fear Boston women won't be eager to pay the large sum to make Boston the Headquarters. If they do, I see

no objections for Mrs. Bennett could then be at home and a new treasurer could pay bills from whatever city she made her home.

However I believe Miss Shaw will resist moving Headquarters from New York and so long as she is the chief person to get money and our greatest speaker, I think some of us would better waive our preferences a few years longer & let her have her own way, particularly if it makes no vital difference. The N. A. W. S. A. will continue being a New York society to a great extent if it does no organizing & becomes merely a publishing house.

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The publishing business too, cannot cover the whole union. In Ill. we publish the most of our literature & I found California doing the same. One society alone put out 3000 000 millions of pages + Mrs. Watson is gathering up the numbers ^{from other societies} for her Louisville report. The express costs about as much as printing would + so if they print, they use their own citizens' arguments. Maybe you think I am growing cowardly in saying, we might as well let Miss Shaw have her way. Perhaps you think the severe letter

she sent me about the California money
would close my lips. No, I answered back
politely, but I still inquired about the
other \$100000 I am too human not to
make some mistakes but if you had
discovered a mistake of mine, I know you
would have told me about it in more
kindly fashion. Disregarding all that
I think we ought all to resist, change
of name, auxiliary ship of little clubs of
fifty ~~abolishing executive committee~~ ^{and establishing} ~~and~~ monthly board meetings neces-
sitating all N.Y. officers. I would be

willing to admit clubs of 500 members
in States already having a State Assn.
but to concentrate all officers near
N.Y. & to abolish Ex. Com. is bad. I
am at a loss for Western officers
to take my place & Mrs. Stewart, you
should be ~~at~~ Vice instead of me if it
were not that you are so needed to
keep a check on new treasurers & if you
have any N.Y. rival it will be easier
to re-elect you to your old place than
to shift things around. As I am going
out of office I shall be free to work for

you among the delegates + for
other good candidates for other
places. I believe we will
have our hands so full defeating
bad portions of the proposed con-
stitution + electing good officers
that we will not have strength
enough to move Headquarters.

We were in a whirl of
hard work my last few days
in San Francisco, many meetings
every night + street meetings
galore. I spoke twice every
evening being whirled from one
place to another. Others worked har-
der. Now I am to speak at Iowa
convention. + leave Oct 12.

Yours sincerely, Catharine Waugh McClatchy

Cincinnati
Oct 9. 11.

Dear Miss Clay

I recd your
regrets thro Mrs
McLaughlin &
have just recd Miss
Blackwells letter
stating that the
Official Board meet
at Louisville next
Monday Oct 16th
Miss Anna Shaw
& Lucy Anthony
are to be here to
our dinner, Oct
16th 5 P. M. so
unless the Board
can meet without
Miss Shaw, that

meeting will not take
place till the 17th -

Now if you & Miss
Blackwell can pos-
sibly be here &
wish to be - please
let me know - for
we hope to make
it a large affair
to enhance our
chances for getting
into the New Consti-
tution - I have
written Miss Gordon
this same - because
she tho't she had to
be in L. Oct 16 -

Yours for Freedom
& Love to all

Dr. A. M. S.

770 E. M^{rs} Millan

Richmond, Ky.

Oct. 10th, 1911.

My dear Mrs. Castleman,

I hope you have not thought I was neglecting your letter of Sept. 19th, with the request for my photograph and a sketch of myself. There has been lack of leisure about that sketch, as Miss Alice Stone Blackwell is now with me, helping to audit the National books, and she kindly undertook to write the sketch for me. I am enclosing it. I think it may be too long for your purpose, and in that case you are at liberty to shorten it.

I have persuaded Miss Blackwell to promise to send to you some short poems, translations from foreign languages, at which she has great skill and taste. I think you can use them advantageously during the conventions.

I wish you would publish some notices of our Ky. E. R. A. convention, which is to be held in Louisville Oct. 25th, in the Seelbach Red Room. We have chosen this time and place so that many Ky. suffragists might attend both conventions on one trip, and help to welcome our suffrage friends to Ky. There will be three sessions, morning, afternoon and evening, all of which will be open to the public, who are cordially invited.

I am enclosing the photo. I notice how much press work you are doing, and I thank you for it. A report of your work as Press Superintendent is due at the State convention, which I hope you will attend in person, but if you cannot, be sure to send me a written report to hotel Seelbach. I shall be at the hotel next Monday evening, bringing Miss Blackwell with me.

Very sincerely yours,

I.

Near Richmond, Ky.

Oct. 5th, 1911.

Dear Mrs. Bagley,

Your letter of October 2nd is received, and I hasten to reply.

(1). The Ky. Equal Rights Association will hold its Annual convention in Louisville, Wednesday, Oct 25th, in The Seelbach Red Room. There will be Three sessions, - 9.00 A.M. 2.00 P.M. and 8.00 P.M. All three are open to the public, who are cordially invited. This time and place have been chosen to enable Ky. suffragists to attend the National convention and the state convention on one trip.

(2). Ashland E.R.A. is entitled to one delegate and one alternate to the National convention. The basis of representation in the National is one delegate for one hundred paid-up members, dues to be in December 31st, 1910. Therefore Ashland was not entitled to one delegate; but at the state convention in Covington last November it was decided that those clubs which had a hundred members should elect their own delegate; and all the fractions, however large, were to be given to the Ex.Com. to enable the smaller E.R.A's to choose a delegate. In that way, Ashland is entitled to one delegate, to be elected by itself. I sent the credential blanks to Mrs. Roebuck some days ago, with instructions to send one to Mrs. C.M. Freeman, to be filled out when you elect your delegate. I had supposed Mrs. Freeman had received it before this; but as Mrs. Roebuck has been seriously ill I suppose it has been delayed.

(3) The dues ought to be collected as soon as possible and sent to the State treasurer, Mrs. Isabella H. Shepard, 31 East 12th St., Covington. However, the treasurer's books are kept open as long as the books of the National treasurer, which is to Dec. 31st. I do not know why Mrs. Shepard has not notified Ashland of the time for sending the dues and of the State con-

vention; so please consider this an official notification. You are entitled to one delegate for every ten paid-up members to the state convention, and to one delegate at large, representing any fraction of ten. I hope Ashland will send as many delegates as possible, as the two conventions together will be a most inspiring occasion.

I have not a formula for a local constitution; but you could easily write one from the State constitution. I sent state minutes containing the state constitution some time ago to Mrs. Freeman, and as we do not have the constitution printed each year, I fear I have not another on hand here on the farm. On account of Mrs. Roebuck's serious illness just before the minutes were ready for publishing, we have been unable to get out the minutes of our last convention till so late that we decided to combine them with the minutes of the coming convention. Mrs. Roebuck's illness has thrown the routine work of the Asso. into great confusion this year.

I do not think there will be any railroad rates. The National has not been able to obtain them. The state delegates will not be entertained; but they can write to Mrs. Alice ^H. White, 169 Crescent Avenue, Louisville, for a list of hotels and nice boarding houses near convention hall which are giving rates for the National convention. I asked Mrs. Roebuck to send a circular of information sent out by the National; and I have no other copy at hand.

I shall return to Richmond in a day or two; and then I will send you some papers and literature which I hope will be helpful. Please let me know (at Richmond) who your National delegate is as soon as you have elected her. If you find it impossible to get a delegate to represent you at the National will you kindly send the certificate sent Mrs. Freeman to me, so that I can give it to a delegate from some other E.R.A., as there are many more persons wishing to be delegates than ^{we} are entitled to send. I shall be much disappointed, however, if Ashland is not represented both in the National and state conventions.

Very cordially yours,

Richmond, Ky.

Oct. 10th, 1911.

My dear Miss Robinson,

I received your letter of Oct. 8th this morning.

I do not disapprove of the reception at the Seelbach if it is the informal little meeting with friends which I understand it to be. But I found from conversation with Mrs. Leach that there was liable to be misunderstanding about it, and under those circumstances I advised that unnecessary publicity should not be given to it by putting the announcement on the programs. The object can be attained as well by verbal notice at the meetings, and we will avoid the possibility of giving offence. However, I do not wish in any way to interfere with the plans of the local committees, as I am assured of their discretion if there is no mistake about what is really wanted by the National Board. We have had these informal little meetings with friends for several years.

I am sending by this mail a copy to you and one to Mrs. Semple of two Woman's Journals, containing articles by myself about the proposed new constitution. I am opposed to wholesale amendments or revision of the constitution, though I recognize that the constitution should have some amendments; in fact, almost every year some amendment is made to bring it up to date. I am in hopes that at the meeting of the Board and the Executive Committee some conservative amendments made be agreed upon by the opposing sides which will be mutually satisfactory. If not, and if in spite of our endeavors, the constitution is revised without due regard for the rights and interests of all sections, my advice would be to our delegates to the State convention to allow the matter to pass without action of any kind. If the promoters of the revision choose to do as they please regardless of

what other sections regard as fair and just, it is also true that perforce each state association is left at perfect liberty to do what it pleases; and that they will exercise that privilege. Therefore, we need not be in any hurry about deciding what we want to do. We will take our time to see what is the best for our work and then do it. I am particularly confirmed in thinking we should take no hasty action by my conviction that if California wins today it may mean that all our old methods ~~will~~ may become obsolete and we will need to devise entirely new plans and methods, suited to the new aspects the suffrage cause may take on.

We expect to do all the business in the two day sessions of the state convention; and to make the evening session in reality a Plan-of-Work Committee evening. We think the Louisville delegates will be of great assistance in this; and therefore we hope your Asso. will elect your full quota of delegates, who can attend all the three sessions. I have not yet had the programs printed. Usually Mrs. Roebuck attends to that and other preparations for the convention which have fallen upon me this time on account of her serious and prolonged ill health; and I have had work to do for the National close up to the time of the conventions. Miss Blackwell is here with me now, auditing the National books with me. We expect to come to Louisville next Monday afternoon, and I shall hope to see you, Mrs. Semple and other of the Louisville suffragists at the hotel that evening, and we can talk over what we want done at both conventions.

Very sincerely yours,

Oct 11-1911

Miss Laura Clay
Lexington
Ky.

My dear Miss Clay:

Please send
two hundred cards like
the enclosed for use
during the National Suffrage
Association Meeting to be
held in Louisville

Oct 19 — 25.

Very Sincerely

Mrs. W. B. Dixon - Chairman
of the Membership Committee
of the Louisville Suffrage
Association.

Address

Mrs. W. B. Dixon,
710 Louisville Trust Building
Louisville,
Ky.

Richmond, Ky.

Oct. 12th, 1911.

My dear Miss Hifton,

I have delayed answering your letter of Oct. 5th for several days, because I have wanted something definite to write. Miss Blackwell is with me now, helping to audit the National books. She as well as I is much exercised by the proposed revision of the constitution; and I wanted her advice before writing to you. We have discussed the changes proposed, and we believe some concessions will have to be made to those who are ^{pushing} ~~pushing~~ the changes. We want them to be as few and as conservative as possible; in short, to be amendments to the old constitution rather than a revision. We have studied the subject, and have decided that when the Official Board meets in Louisville, which will be Tuesday, Oct. 17th, we will study out the best compromise possible. If both sides can be satisfied, well and good. If that case no doubt the compromises will either be printed or type-written for the delegates. Therefore, I think you might save the expense of having both the old and new constitutions printed. The National will certainly have both of those printed in some form, which will do for comparison. Then, we will likely also have this which we may call a compromise copy of changes.

Personally, I have resolved in any circumstances to be slow in taking State action. If the changes made are fair and just, of course all will be well. If they are unsatisfactory, I remember the National has no power except of persuasion over the States; and therefore the States ought to take time to decide what new adjustments they will make of their relations to the National; and act at their leisure. I am the more persuaded of

this because if California wins (which now seems doubtful) all our usual methods may become more or less obsolete. In any case, events are happening so fast that we ought not to be hasty in deciding what to do.

I want to say that I believe the State E.S.A. of the Dist. of Columbia has done the whole Association an invaluable service by the course it has adopted of putting this revision before the auxiliaries. I am convinced it is only the minority which desires this wholesale revision, and some of that only from lack of experience and knowledge. Yet coming from headquarters ^{it has} as ~~xxxxxxx~~ done, with the approval of the three members of the Board centered there, the rest of the Association felt overwhelmed; and perhaps without the judicious and prompt action of your Association, probably the delegates would have gone to the Convention wholly unprepared to make their own wishes and judgment effective. As it is, at least we know what is before us, and are in some degree prepared. After talking with Miss Blackwell, I feel that we can be even yet better prepared by the meeting of the Board. The five distant members, none of whom ~~xxx~~ ^{is} in favor of wholesale changes, are now much better informed of the feeling of the Association, and better prepared to stand for the rights of all.

Thanking you for the information conveyed in your letter, and assuring you of the value I think your action has been to the whole ~~Assoc~~ N.A.W.S.A., I am

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Mrs. Mary Ware Dennett,

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My dear Mrs. Dennett:

The State Equal Franchise League of Maryland was formally organized on February 13, 1911. The Equal Suffrage League of Baltimore, after its expulsion from the Woman Suffrage Association of Maryland, met with delegates from Montgomery and Talbot County Leagues, and formed the State Equal Franchise League of Maryland. Since that time the State League has done active County work, and now includes the following: Equal Suffrage League of Baltimore Junior Suffrage League of Baltimore, Woman Suffrage League of Montgomery County, Just Franchise League of Talbot County, Equal Franchise League of Thurmont, Equal Franchise League of Emmitsburg, Woman Suffrage Club of Frederick,, and Bryn Mawr School Suffrage League. The total membership is 1100 individuals.

We ask to be admitted to full membership in the National American Woman Suffrage Association.

Faithfully,

Elizabeth King Ellicott

President.

(Mrs. Wm. M. Ellicott)
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Dear Friend:-

Here is the first chapter of our troubles which enters into the relations of the present time to such an extent, that we feel that it is necessary for you to know ^{about it} to properly understand the present situation. This is the first letter of the kind we have ever written, it is the first time that we have ever spoken a disrespectful word of a woman in our organization. There have always been two distinct factors in the suffrage work in Maryland. Quakers and Non-Quakers. The Non-Quakers have been very largely in the majority both as to numbers and workers, but not in holding offices.

We will give you a brief statement of the quaker women whose names have appeared from time to time as exponents of the movement. You will then see why the Non-Quakers saw fit after eight years to make a change.

Mrs. Thomas was elected President in 1894 when the Montgomery and Baltimore Associations united in a State Association. She continued in office until 1904. In these ten years she never attended a meeting of the Baltimore City Club. We saw her only when she presided at the State meeting, and heard from her two or three times a year. All the State meetings since 1894 (17 years) have been held in Baltimore, and the Baltimore Society has had all the work and most of the expense. Mrs. Thomas never troubled herself to become acquainted with our women. We had no executive meetings of the State for seven years. For several years Montgomery County sent no delegates, but voted by proxy. Mrs. Thomas took a hand in organizing the Friends Society, and secured a number of Baltimore people as members, and never referred the subject to Mrs. Funck. Learned of it through the press. This was before we decided to take our stand.

Here is a brief history of the only people we have ever seen from Montgomery County in sixteen years.

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Caroline Miller never in a business meeting of the State Association. Never to our knowledge did she give a penny to her State. She came to two evening meetings in ten years, spoke and departed.

Sarah Miller was not in a State meeting for eleven years. She is a sister-in-law of Mrs. Thomas.

Rebecca Miller not in a State meeting for eight or nine years. She is a niece of Mrs. Thomas.

Mary E. Moore, State Treasurer about ten years. She was very incompetent. Her position was vacated by her death, but for two or three years previous she was not in the Convention. She was a sister-in-law of Mrs. Thomas.

Mary Magruder, not in a State meeting for nine years.

Mrs. Jackson who succeeded Mrs. Thomas about six years ago, as President of Montgomery County, we had never seen.

Now for the Baltimore Quakers:

Pauline Holme Vice-President of the State twelve years, never attended a business meeting of her local club; came to the State meeting, got re-elected and we saw her no more until the next Convention.

Mrs. Lamb, Corresponding Secretary of the State, not in a meeting of the City Club for eight years.

Mrs. Janney, attended two meetings of the City Club in seven years.

This is the history preceding Mrs. Funck's election as State President. Do you think intelligent women could continue a condition of this kind indefinitely? Well, we got where we could not. We took our stand, they then began to be very disagreeable, and time has proved them to be a most vindictive people. After Mrs. Funck was elected, at first one and then another of the Conventions, Rebecca Miller, and Mary Magruder have come to the Conventions with no other object than to make themselves objectionable. Mrs. Janney has also been a trouble maker.

In 1906 Mrs. Janney organized her Livermore Club. These are her own words: "We are clanish and lazy, and we think we can get on best alone". We knew what the results would be. They held one public meeting in four years. Florence Kelly spoke. She never mentioned suffrage, and it cost them nothing.

Mrs. Hoskins, a Quaker, was Recording Secretary for ten years. She is a good woman, and she was the last Quaker to leave us. She expressed great sorrow in severing her connections, but said "they were like one family, and she would have to stick to them." She

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did not fail to express her disapprobation of the conduct of Rebecca Miller, and Miss Magruder, and others, and said, she marveled at the patience and endurance of Mrs. Funck.

We think we have said sufficient to show you why the Montgomery people are now acting with the Ellicott faction. Just as soon as Mrs. Ellicott became President, they attended her business meetings, and reported their work to her, and ignored the State Association. The age of this Society led us to bear with them. We hope they will not falsify themselves by saying they withdrew (if they have they have never notified us) on account of what they call the illegal proceedings of the State. They have only been waiting for the present opportunity.

Nearly every cent given to the Natl. since 1894 has come from Baltimore City. Whatever Montgomery County and these Quakers have given they did it in a way that everybody might know it. We were a long time discovering it. We removed the word must from the Constitution to please them, meaning that clubs and not counties could come into the State Convention. We made a one woman, one vote amendment to please them, and after this they declined to serve on any working committees. We could make a book of this stuff, but think this is sufficient, so will close by saying that in all our troubles, only two women in all of these years outside of the Quakers have left the Baltimore City people. One of these does not spend much time in the State. The other left after we took action on the Ellicott Organization, and is now one of Mrs. Ellicott's prime workers. We were glad to get rid of her as she is true to no one any length of time, not even her own family. She is a self seeker *climber*

Now to close. Mrs. Ellicott is a Quaker. The Livermore League was decidedly a Quaker body. The Montgomery County is also a decidedly Quaker body, and Miss Dixon of Easton is a Quaker, so you will understand why they are together. Miss Dixon called on Mrs. Funck last winter and said she wished it were possible that we could all be together, and did not hesitate to admit that they had treated the State body with great disrespect. She said they had done very wrong. We have found it as Mrs. Janney admitted. "Quakers are clanish and stand together even when they know they are not right. We suppose this is real party politics.

Yours truly

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Baltimore October 13, 1911

Dear Friend:--

After long consideration, we have decided to send to you, a very concise statement of the situation in Maryland. We fear that we will have no delegates at Louisville, and think it is wise that you know something of the truth, in case our troubles become a topic of discussion. We regret the situation very much, and we are very sorry to trouble you with it.

There is a first and second chapter to the Maryland history, and we will deal first with the present situation.

January 5th 1908, a meeting was held in Baltimore, with Annie Cobden Sanderson as speaker. It was here that Dr. and Mrs. Hooker joined the Baltimore City Club. In the spring, Mrs. Hooker spoke twice before this club, and we were very much pleased with her. Summer intervened. In October she offered her assistance in the State meeting. We were delighted, and gladly accepted her aid. She did not attend the business sessions of the Convention. We took it that her young baby prohibited. (Now here is the story of the birth of the Ellicott Organization. We will call the organizations by the name of the presidents, as it will be easier for you to carry the situation.)

Our State meeting was held in November 1908. The Livermore League (Mrs. Janney's Organization) was without a president, (Mrs. Janney declining to serve longer.) They were twenty short in membership, and brought their dues to the convention. This was their usual custom. Some of us saw Mrs. Janney and Mrs. Hooker hobnobbing at times in these meetings. We were arranging for a meeting to be held in the Lyric in March 1909. Mrs. Hooker asked Mrs. Funck if she did not think it would be well to get Mrs. Ellicott interested in this meeting. Mrs. Funck replied, sure, go ahead. Mrs. Ellicott had just resigned from the presidency of the Arundel Club. This fact, the need of a president for the Livermore League, Mrs. Hooker's solicitations, the influence of Miss Garrett and Miss Thomas, and the psychology of the hour, all conspired to show Mrs. Ellicott her opportunity.

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In December, just one month after the State meeting, we were notified through the daily papers, that the Janney Organization re-organized, changed its name, and elected Mrs. Ellicott President. The papers also mentioned the wonderful things they would immediately proceed to do. In about ten days, the Secretary of the Club, notified Mrs. Funck of the change, and Mrs. Funck mailed a letter to Mrs. Ellicott, expressing our very great pleasure in learning that she had taken up the work, and offered to serve the Club, and Mrs. Ellicott at any time. (This communication was never replied to.) The Ellicott Club held its first public meeting one month after it was organized. They sent out more than one thousand invitations. They offered as attractions, a collation, and Miss Arnold. These were terms to conjure with, and they drew a large crowd. The Secretary of the Club requested Mrs. Funck to let them have the membership list of her local club, as they desired to send cards to the membership. Mrs. Funck took the trouble to have the list typewritten, and took it to Miss Dixon. Here she learned from this lady, that they would not send to everybody, as they did not wish the rabble. In twenty four hours they returned the list to Mrs. Funck with a limited number of cards, requesting Mrs. Funck to send them herself. Mrs. Funck did the best she could with them, but as we were not in the habit of making exceptions in sending out notices, we decided we would never do it again unless there was a card for every member. On the platform at this meeting, were a number of prominent people, among them Miss Garrett. Several rows of seats were also reserved, but the State President and not a member of the old organization were given a reserved seat, nor were they invited to a seat on the platform. In fact ~~they~~ were ignored. Mrs. Ellicott lost her sister a few days previous to this meeting, so was not present. Miss Hamilton, President of Bryn Mawr School, Baltimore, presided. Her words were a great offense to the old clan. She said that this meeting was an epoch in the history of the Woman-Suffrage movement, that nothing had been done in Maryland for Woman-Suffrage, but, that now, some of the best people saw the time had come to act, so that from that hour there would be something doing in the suffrage ranks.

When we tell you that ~~our~~ members were in a state of riot over the insults heaped upon them, we are ^{not} overstating the situation, but the utter indifference and calmness of the State President saved the day. The attitude of these people at this meeting was the

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key note of all their future actions, and it is impossible for us to give you anything but the ~~happiest~~ outlines of the disagreeable conditions that have existed here for the past three years.

Now, Mrs. Hooker identified herself with the Ellicott faction, but called on Mrs. Funck ~~occasionally~~ and got suggestions for her winter's work. They had a course of lectures, but never invited the State or City officers. If we attended we occupied seats on the back bench with the small boys. This caused much criticism to their own detriment. Mrs. Hooker and Mrs. Ellicott entertained some of the National officers and speakers, but never once did they invite the officers of the State or City to these functions. We have already referred to the meeting of March 1909. Our advertising matter for this meeting came out ten days before the meeting. Seven days before the meeting, Mrs. Hooker inquired of Mrs. Funck over the 'phone if our Society would object to Miss Shaw speaking for the Ellicott Club at a public meeting Saturday night preceding our Sunday meeting. Mrs. Funck replied, that she would refer the matter to the Committee, but further stated that the Baltimore Club had been waiting to hear if Miss Shaw would be in Baltimore on Saturday, and if this were the case the Club proposed giving her a reception at the Belvedere, and inviting all the city suffragists to meet the National President. On Monday morning or a day after this conversation, a letter came to Mrs. Funck, stating that an engagement with the Ellicott League had been standing for weeks; that this League would give her a reception on Saturday afternoon, and that she would speak for them on Saturday night, and come to us on Sunday. Mind you, this after Mrs. Hooker had been visiting Mrs. Funck once a week, learning all she could about our affairs, and never mentioning this engagement to Mrs. Funck. Well, we had an awful time over it. That Sunday meeting cost our local \$200.00. It was by far the most ~~expensive~~ roaching of any meeting we ever held, but there was no joy in it for us. We were heart sick, and to make matters worse, Miss Shaw wrote Mrs. Funck ^{one of these} a letter taking her to task for interfering with her engagements. No person who had a spark of love in her heart would have written such a letter to another, especially as it was unnecessary and undeserved.

These people came into existence at the proper moment for legislative work, and irrespective of law or order they pitched in. They appointed a chairman of Legislation. The papers teemed with their plans for State work. Mrs. Funck's State Asso. called ~~three~~ State Executives to discuss Legislation. Three delegates from the Ellicott League attended the first meeting. ^{Mum was} the word. They acted like fish out of water, remained about twenty minutes and without ceremony retired. The second and third Executive meetings had no delegates from this League. Mrs. Ellicott never came, and did not write. At our third meeting we felt it was time to act, and voted to ask for Suffrage for our women on the same terms as men. Previous to this the papers frequently spoke of the bill for Municipal Suffrage proposed by the League, so after our decision was announced, the Ellicott came out for Municipal Suffrage. We were told they were determined not to do with us. Of course this was only hearsay, but circumstantial evidence supports it. They issued a petition for their bill which greatly interfered with the National

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petition work. They got about 2000 signatures for their bill, but reported one hundred and seventy thousand. One hundred and sixty thousand was the endorsement of the Federation of Labor. They went into the Counties with their bill, and got the people in such a state of confusion, they did not know what they were doing, and they held our National petitions back, and it was with the greatest difficulty that we could get any kind of a statement from them in regard to this petition work.

In the State Executive Meeting held in May, Mrs. Funck proposed that we publish a State leaflet entitled "Opinions of prominent people in Maryland". It was voted, and the President appointed Miss Dixon, chairman, although she was not present at the meeting, and two members from the old Baltimore Club. Miss Dixon did splendid work, but when the matter was ready she did not send it to Mrs. Funck for endorsement, but when they were printed, she sent one hundred to Mrs. Funck, and turned over 1900 to Mrs. Ellicott's organization. When Mrs. Funck wrote for an explanation, she was told that Mrs. Ellicott had them, and that she could get more by making application. Remember, this leaflet was suggested and voted for at Mrs. Funck's State Executive Meeting.

When Miss Dixon came into the work, Mrs. Funck asked her to help her in the summer to form an organization in Easton, as Miss Dixon spent her summers in this town, and Mrs. Funck spends hers nearby. Miss Dixon assented. In the summer Mrs. Funck wrote to her, she did not reply, but turned the letter over to Mrs. Ellicott. Mrs. Ellicott advised Mrs. Funck to keep away from Easton. She said she (Mrs. Ellicott) was not going, nor any members of the League, and told Mrs. Funck if she were needed they would send for her. This was the first letter Mrs. Funck had received from her in all this time. Now this is the sequel. In two weeks after that letter was written, Mrs. Ellicott sent Miss Gruening to Easton to help Miss Dixon. She spent two weeks there helping to organize. We do not know to this day the results of Miss Dixon's work, excepting from what we learned from the press.

In the fall Mrs. Funck intended asking for an interview with Mrs. Ellicott, when Mrs. Ellicott sent for her. Mrs. Funck met her and her committee. Mrs. Ellicott gave ten minutes to Mrs. Funck, and talked seven minutes out of the ten, urging Mrs. Funck to give up the State bill, that they might proceed with theirs without opposition. Mrs. Funck replied, it would have been much better if you had come to the Executive and discussed this question. They paid a lawyer \$500.00 to push their bill, and reported it all over the city that the trouble was that Miss Maddox was jealous because they did not give it to her.

than a year
Our State Convention met in November 1909, just ~~about~~ a little less after they organized. During this year they invaded our membership in every way possible. They tried to set up class distinction, and said many things very unbecoming to women who are posing as lovers of justice. A few days before the State Meeting, they sent out letters to people stating that they could not belong to two clubs, and asking them to resign from Mrs. Funck's Club, and unite with them.

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Mrs. Funck discovered this, found that Mrs. Janney was at the back of it, and asked her to desist until the question of one woman belonging to two clubs could be settled in a legitimate way. The question was discussed at the State meeting, and the members of the Ellicott faction who sent out these letters voted that one woman could be a member of two clubs.

On the first afternoon of our State meeting, Mrs. Ellicott called a general meeting of her club. We had sent them 500 invitations to distribute, and they did not send out any of them. The first afternoon and night of the convention none of them were present. Mrs. Ellicott did not come at all. They were entitled to 19 delegates, all told; nine attended the second day and cast their 19 votes. When the newspaper reporters got hold of the fact that Mrs. Ellicott had called a meeting of her club, they said that was fine political sagacity. They also declined to contribute anything towards the expenses of the State, saying, they needed all their money for their own work. In December, just one year from the time Mrs. Hooker joined with Mrs. Ellicott, she broke away from her and started an organization for herself, calling it the Just ~~Government~~ League of Maryland, but they held together on the legislative bill until it was settled. The relations now between these two bodies are very much strained.

After our legislation was over, in March Mrs. Funck called a meeting of the City clubs with the object of uniting them in a City Federation, thereby saving time, strength and money. Mrs. Ellicott did not come. Mrs. Hooker was there and showed no disposition for union. Mrs. Funck reminded her that she could not lawfully call her organization a State one, and that if she were independent, her work would not be recognized by the National. She replied, "I see no particular advantage in being connected with the National Association", and sometime after this, her husband, Dr. Hooker expressed the same sentiments in the Men's League. He said he thought it might be better for them to keep their money and use it in their Maryland work.

After this March meeting called by Mrs. Funck for the purpose of uniting, Mrs. F. wrote to Mrs. Ellicott, stating that the situation would have to change, or the State society would decline to recognize her body. In this letter Mrs. Funck stated that we were anxious to work in harmony, and thought it best for us all to ~~turn~~ *lose* ~~aside~~ our personalities and think only of the cause. Mrs. Funck received no reply to this communication. Mrs. Hooker and Mrs. Ellicott continued to carry out their own plans. They sent organizers through the City and into the Counties, and took possession so far as they could of suffrage affairs in Maryland, placed the old workers here in the position of puppets. You will surely realize that self respecting people cannot occupy such a position without protest, so in the following June, our Executive body voted that it would no longer consider the Ellicott Club a part of its body, as said Club had persistently declined to work with the State body. In April preceding this act, we attended the National Convention, held in Washington. Mrs. Ellicott did not speak to Mrs. Funck

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while there. In fact we scarcely saw her. We heard she was there two days. Mrs. Hooker came on College day and returned. Five members from the Baltimore City Club spent the whole week there, paying hotel bills, etc. We might have taken a cue from the new workers, and stayed at home, and used our money for ourselves, then we might have received some recognition. It makes one feel as though loyalty and honesty doesn't pay.

The action of our Executive Committee was reported to the Ellicott League. Mrs. Ellicott, preceding the State meeting, asked the Executive to give her a hearing. The executive declined this, and said if the League desired a hearing, it must make it in the State meeting. Mrs. Ellicott came to this meeting with a big delegation. She asked for the privileges of the floor; it was granted. We listened to her story, we made no replies, as we were determined not to be drawn into a public wrangle, and become the objects of a great newspaper scandal, which they had been trying to work up on us from the beginning. The Montgomery County Club offered a protest to the action of the Executive Committee. Their spokeswoman, was one that we had never known as a Maryland woman. (Mrs. Wright, who was President of the District of Columbia Association, was the lady who took upon herself the task.) We asked her if she were not a member of the District Association, and much confusion ensued from this question. The outcome of it all was, that the Convention voted to sustain the action of the Executive Committee.

Now, we feel that much of the trouble here could have been avoided if the attitude of the National President had been different. She has aided and abetted these insurgents in every way, and will you pray tell us, how we could ever get them to come into our terms, it matter not how liberal we might have been, when they had their actions supported by the one who represents the National body? We have felt ever since the National Convention met in Baltimore, that the Garrett faction had its eyes on Maryland. when the College League was organized, it was through Miss Garrett and Miss Shaw. Mrs. Parks came to Baltimore, organized the League, and the State President was never notified. All we knew was what we learned through the papers, and we were very much embarrassed by it, but never complained. For all of these slights, and disturbances, we have been loyal to the National Association in every way possible, and we have always cast our full votes for the women who were the choice of the Convention. We have given the National the very best that we have had. It may have seemed a mite, but that mite was our all, and we feel that we have received less in return than any State in the body. We do not regret it, although we feel hurt.

We shall be satisfied with whatever action the National may feel disposed to take. We would not take the precious time of the

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Convention if we attended, in making any effort to vindicate our position.

In closing, we will say that Mrs. Ellicott's and Mrs. Hooker's work has been worthy of admiration in many ways. We do not wish to be understood as having no appreciation for their fine efforts, but we do say, that they lack principle, and that while they are seeking justice for all women, ~~they~~ seem to have very little understanding, of what ~~they~~ do owe to the women who have made it possible for them to espouse the cause at this time, and we do feel, that proper self respect and the maintainance of our position in this community, demanded that we dignify ourselves, in taking the action we did. All their workers are paid. The old state body has no paid workers, notwithstanding this fact, we feel that we have accomplished in the last few years, to say nothing of the past, quite as much as they.

Hoping this will appeal to you in the spirit in which it is sent, and that you will pardon us for inflicting the reading of this matter, we are

Very truly yours,

MARYLAND WOMAN-SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

Please read this
first



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2333 Salutaris St.
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Cincinnati, O.

Oct 14. 1911

Miss Laura Clay
Richmond, Ky.

My Dear Miss Clay.

In accordance with
your suggestion, I was
appointed by the Covington
Equal Rights Association to
take charge of the sale of
the song composed by Mrs.

Firth. I therefore wrote
to Miss Lieb about 10 days
ago, apprising her of that
fact, she replied saying
that she had been instructed
by the Committee to ask
me to send her a copy

of the song, which I did.
Yesterday I received another
letter. I enclose both
letters.

It has been suggested
that I write you asking
you to use your influence
with the State Board.

Trusting that you may
be more successful than
I have been.

I am sincerely yours
Laura White

Louisville Ky - Oct 6th 1911

My dear Mrs. Waite,

Your letter of Oct 1st
in regard to the sale of the song
by Miss Firth has been received.
It has been suggested by some
members of our Board you be
requested to send me a copy of the
song as it is not known many
of us.

We really did not expect to have
any thing on sale at the convention
except stamps and Foster cards.

Very sincerely

Caroline Lieb

General Chairman

1234 Fifth St.

Louisville, Ky. - Oct 12th
1911

My dear Mrs. Waite-

The Joseph Kolage
Music Company has generously
sent me three copies of Miss
Firth's song "A Suffrage Hint"
We do not expect to have things
for sale at the Convention - The
National will have a sale table
but I do not think Miss Firth's
song is the kind of thing they
would be willing to sell. I am
very sorry we can not accommodate
you and trust you will not
be too much disappointed.

Very sincerely

Caroline Leib
General Chairman

Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania,
October 16, 1911.

Dear Mrs. Stewart,--

I am very sorry not to have written as I promised immediately after reaching home, but these first few weeks of the opening of college are always the busiest in the whole year, and they have been even busier than usual this year because we are so crowded that we have had to turn away students.

I am very much obliged to you for sending me Miss Clay's letter about the first resolution that she did not sign. This seems to me to explain the matter very satisfactorily--at least from my point of view. I feel convinced in my own mind that Mrs. Kelley (accidentally perhaps) read the first resolution at the public meeting on Monday afternoon. I wrote down the wording as she read it and I remember noticing at the time that Miss Clay's name was not read as one of the signers and hoping that she had not approved of it, but as she spoke in defense of the resolution several times during the later discussion I supposed afterwards that the omission of the reading of her name was accidental and forgot all about it. It may be, as Miss Clay suggests, that this first resolution was also published in one of the papers, but, if so, I did

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not see it there, and it is not among my copies of the newspaper reports of the convention of which I thought I had a complete set. I had looked before, and I have looked through them again since you sent me Miss Clay's letter. I read from the newspapers not the resolution itself, as Miss Clay suggests, but the newspapers' sensational headlines heralding abroad dissension in the convention because Miss Shaw's name was not signed to the resolution, my point being that she had not been given an opportunity to sign it.

I am greatly relieved to be able to understand how the confusion occurred. I ~~felt~~ sure that there must have been two resolutions signed by members of the official board and it was this first resolution that we all of us remember. It was so firmly fixed in our minds that we were consequently greatly astonished to find the very much modified and very much less objectionable second resolution on the minutes.

I am sorry you went to the trouble of having this second resolution photographed. Your word would have been entirely sufficient for me. I wished only to know from you whether the resolution itself was typewritten so that it might have been tampered with --I see now that it was written by hand. I wish you would let me bear the cost of photographing it. It was very kind of you to have a photograph made. I see of course that it could not have been altered subsequently, but Miss Clay's letter has furnished the explanation. I hope that you do not think I meant to imply that doctored or manipulated minutes such as sometimes get inserted without the knowledge of a recording secretary mean stupidity or carelessness on the part of the person responsible. *for the minutes.*
No one can be responsible
for what dishonest people may do. Only last summer two notable instances of the insertion of incorrect resolutions in minutes have come to light in two boards of the highest standing--the Board of Trustees of the National Education Association, about

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which so much has been said in the papers, and the Board of Trustees of the University of Pennsylvania.

Sincerely yours,

M. Carey Thomas

To

Mrs. Ella S. Stewart.

P. S.---I am sending Miss Clay a copy of this letter to you with a
note of thanks for her kindness in unravelling my difficulty.

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Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania,
October 16, 1911.

Dear Miss Clay,--

I am very grateful to you for your kindness in explaining to Mrs. Stewart about the two resolutions concerning Mrs. Potter's work as Secretary, in a letter which she very kindly forwarded to me.

As you will see by a copy of a letter to Mrs. Stewart which I enclose your explanation has entirely solved my difficulties. I feel very sure that the first resolution must have been read by Mrs. Kelley on Monday afternoon because it came upon Miss Garrett and me with a shock of surprise at the public meeting--which could not have been the case had we read it beforehand in the paper. I wrote it down in my note-book as Mrs. Kelley read it and that evening I talked it over with several people who also were shocked by its lack of accord with the facts as they understood them. At all events the whole difficulty is now explained through your frank statement of the facts.

Sincerely yours,

M. Carey Thomas

To
Miss Clay.

Elizabethtown, Ky. Oct. 16-1911.

Dear Miss Clay:- I am mailing you copies of my address in which I have made woman suffrage the leading question because it is right in the first place, and would double the popular vote of the United States.

The summer was so very hot it disabled me for a considerable time. Besides my main reliance for assistance in management was unavoidably prevented from helping me, but I have worked very hard almost single handed/ Besides writing the platform and address I have had 35,000- printed and being distributed. I have had to employ men to distribute them through out the State and am still engaged at this work and have borne every dollar of the expense myself so far. If your association deems the matter of sufficient general importance to do so, it is now up on the press and if you wish to have it run off and distributed I will give you order to have all you want. I would myself run the number to 500,000- where it ought really to go but it costs a great deal to have such a large amount distributed. I will be in Louisville most of the week and can see you and have short conference with you if you wish. The press has not taken much notice of my candidacy of which I am very glad because it gives me much better opportunity to get my work in without interference and they do not know and have no way of knowing what I am doing, but am sure have done more to bring this matter to public notice than all the other men who ever lived in the State.

Yours sincerely,

J. M. Payton

joy evening 11. 7-

Oct. 17. 1911

My dear Mrs. Clay -

It is so long
since I have seen or heard from
you that I feel as if we were
almost strangers -

Perhaps I ought to apologize
for sending this check - it will
explain its self. We are all
rejoicing that we have another
State where women are citizens.
I regret that I can not be at
the coming meeting in Louisville
which I hope may be a grand
success - I have not for a long
time been able to read or write, a
cataract has recently been removed
and I am soon to have spectacles

Adjusted after which I hope and
expect to do both.

Sincerely your friend

dictated,

Susan Cook Avery -

I hope to meet you before very long
for there is much about which
I should like to talk -

744 Second Street
Louisville, Ky.

Miss Laura Clay
Seelbach Hotel
Louisville.

Dear Miss Clay-

In accordance with
your instructions in a letter of
April first, 1911, I have engaged
rooms at the Seelbach from
October 17th to the 24th inclu-
sive, for the officers of the
National Woman's Suffrage Ass-
ociation, and Mr. Shireman, asst-
ant manager of the hotel, assures

me that all is in readiness for the visitors. As it was impossible for me to know the exact day and hour of each arrival I was obliged to take the rooms for the entire period of the convention, plus the three days in advance that you thought necessary for the meetings of the Official Board.

If you have any information more definite now as to the comings and goings of the officers, it would be well for you to notify Mr. Shireman

as some expense might be spared by our releasing any room or rooms not needed for the entire period.

I have given Mr. Shireman the names of the officers with instructions that the rental of their rooms will be paid by you from the treasury of the State Association — Thus receiving instructions from the local Association.

Mr. Shireman has promised the use of a parlor for com-

with the meetings on the afternoon
and evening of October 19th, and
the use of the Red Room for
the Sunday morning reception,
October 22nd. He has also
promised the use of the Red
Room for the entire day of
October 23rd, for the meetings
of the State Association.

Trusting that these arrange-
ments are satisfactory, I am

Most cordially yours

Annie J. Gamble
(Mrs Hoyt Gamble)

October 17th - 1891

Ashland Ky

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Dear Miss Clay

Our President

Mrs. C. M. Freeman was elected
our National Delegate - and
Miss Laura White - Alternate

Mrs. J. B. Eifert State-Delegate -
with - Mrs. C. M. Freeman al-
ternate.

There was a death - in
Mrs. Freeman's daughter in law's
family and it may be she will
not get to Louisville, but

Every bon
vention seems
to be bound
for Louisville
so will direct
this letter in
Miss Louisa
R. White's
care.
Mrs. G. W. Free-
man thinks
she will be
there.

Mrs. Eifert would like to be a Na-
tional Delegate. She wants a seat
in the National. Please see that
she gets there.

Oh! how I wish that

I could be with you all.

I hope we may be able to hear
from there some way.

Mrs. Eifert is a S. School delegate
which pays her way, and will not
be able to attend till Mon. & Tues.
We hope to be represented.

Cordially,

Sarah T. Tagley.

Secretary

Ashland E. R. A.

Thanks for the paper.

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Dear Member of the Official Board:

Enclosed is the financial report of The Woman's Journal for the month of September. It is a slightly better showing than last month, as you will see.

I am sure you will be gratified to know that we have just obtained a \$300 advertising contract from a big advertiser and that another big national advertiser last week promised me personally a large advertisement for The Journal beginning with the first of the year. This afternoon I was talking with the publisher of "What Eight Million Women Want" and the business manager there has promised me a good contract for regular space.

I will not write more now as I shall see you at the Convention doubtless before this reaches you.

Yours sincerely,

Agnes E. Ryan

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Office expenses for month of September as per memo-----\$513.85

Bills sent to New York for month of September as
per memorandum attached-----1166.50

Total expense for month of September----- 1680.35

Income for month of September as per attached memo----- 490.72

Loss for month of September----- 1189.63

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THE WOMAN'S JOURNAL
Bills to New York

BILLS

September 1911

Boston Mailing Company

Mailing paper

September 2-----	60.34		
2-----	2.97		
2-----	.80		
9-----	59.23		
9-----	3.01		
9-----	.80		
16-----	58.21		
16-----	2.96		
16-----	1.60		
23-----	55.76		
23-----	2.92		
30-----	59.54		
30-----	2.91		
30-----	.95		
16-----	2.54		
			\$314.54

Butler Bros.
Watson G. Cutter
W. W. Winship
Economy Press
Pilgrim Publicity Asso.
Sturgis & Walton
E. L. Grimes

Suffrage novelties 4.06
Rent 35.00
Goods for premiums 3.75
Printing 9.50
Dues of Advertising man 15.00
Postage on Suffragettes 1.28
Printing paper

September 2-----	146.45		
9-----	144.09		
16-----	149.41		
23-----	144.09		
30-----	151.77		
			735.81

Little Brown & Co.
Wm. M.L. McAdams

Book Sally Ann .35
Stationers Supplies

September 21-----	.90		
21-----	1.85		
30-----	2.60	5.35	
Cr by ret'd. goods	.75		4.60

The Office Appliance Co.
United States Engraving Co.

Typewriter inspection 1.25
Cuts

September 13-----	16.11		
27-----	9.05		
			25.16

New England Telephone & Tel. Co. Telephone

4.20

Sarah A. Bissell

Prize on \$50 offer

6.00

Harriet Noble

do 1.50

Ardelia C.D. Gladding

do 1.25

Clara M. Hill

do 2.25

Elizabeth S. Pope

do 1.00

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SUBSCRIPTIONS-----	\$402.77
ADVERTISING-----	43.82
SUPPLEMENT-----	14.00
Woman's Journal Pins-----	4.50
NEW YORK SALES and Subscriptions-----	10.26
LITERATURE and PAPERS-----	11.10
Cash received for telephone calls-----	1.20
Loan of cuts-----	1.00
Jus Suffragii-----	1.00
Proceeds from patterns-----	.55
Interest at bank-----	.52

INCOME----- 490.72

Transfers to New York	
Proceeds of New York sales retained there	10.26
Check to Miss Ashley-----	480.46
	<u>490.72</u>

Cash on hand for office expenses for September	181.22
Check from Miss Ashley October 13-----	682.63
	<u>863.85</u>

Office Expenses:	
Mailing deposit-----	60.00
Carrfares-----	1.40
Office Supplies-----	1.35
Stamps-----	31.92
Salaries-----	401.00
Cleaning room-----	2.50
Cleaning Brass sign-----	.75
Towel Supply-----	.75
Ice-----	.50
Express-----	.55
Telegram-----	.50
Subscription to Publishers Guide-----	2.00
Premiums-----	3.23
Traveling Expenses of Sub. Solic- itor-----	4.50
Check returned-----	1.50
Literature-----	1.00
Exchange charges-----	.60
	<u>513.85</u>

Balance on hand for office expenses for Sept.- 350.00

Victoria Hotel

Oct 20 - 1911

Dear Miss Clay

I am very busy &

Spending every

day. I do not know

or believe I would

be lost for a moment

Can you write

address yours

association for
financial means,
one or other candidates
will not be
So.

Your organization
is ever so pleasant
& to give preference
to me might require

if you have a
copy of my address

+ the practical part
of it is to give the
the lecture frame

work in order to
add about 15 mill
coins to the popular
rate. Besides it is
abstractly and
intrinsically right
+ fair.

but think you should
send some of your
best sportsmen
into the State.

Say Winchester
Hartford & Springfield
then Danbury
Stamford & Glasgow
Bowling Green
Elizabethtown
Murray Patuxent
Maryfield & Madison
Annapolis & other
places.

Worm has put up
a deal as an
understand. No one
I have had print-
ed & being distributed
35,000 of a 100
that cost all told
about \$8- per 100
I have my own
man going for
hotel bills and
all expenses. The
matter is now
in the press & if
you think it time
special you can
have as many

run & distributed
as you wish at
your expense & by
your own agents
as through my
agents as you
wish. I am not
out for more than
the extent of a dollar
or a cent. I think of
this country as not
to go to the house
where the women
are to come. I
Adams Co. O.

is a fine lamp
2000 Cornish
on a wooden stand
a very handsome

Yours Sincerely
J M Bayton

Victoria Heath
Oct 20 1911

Dear Miss Clay:-

I wrote you this
morning. I send you
correct copy of
address & could send
found to the assoc-
iation if they could
be circulated with
out too much

Circulation. I have
brought to Circulation
35,000 - at my own
expense & ordered
10 thousands more
today & will pay
for them & their
Circulation
which is a cost

scholarship fund
for one of limited
means & in private
life. Besides it
has taken all
summer to prepare
this platform &
article. If you
think it beautiful

for me to address
the association
I can do so Monday
night but I doubt
the propriety of
it for an after
lunch & telling
prominent har
acters strongly

The Suffrage quest -
You are an awful
big one but is only
one of what I am
a dracating I am
as the address
shows fighting
for the people
rights & the em

manicipation of
warren would
add about 15000
add to the base
of our govern-
ment I think it a
matter of great
importance
for you to have
some of your
best speakers
to address the
people in the
larger houses

of the State. As
said I am ~~very~~
now on H.V.
Thursday of these
Captures & when
fully described
myself with
in front of Cassi
dickable myself
to stay in the City
was accepted 8-6 by
6 & Manager 3

I am anxious to
take middle of
street & two ways
on at each side

of the same three
sheds at a time &
will have the City
west of Jackson
covered by tomorrow
and night & will
strike Eastern &
Central portions
over days of
your association
wishes to make
a pay for \$5000 -
more I will give
the order but can
not give anything
more for distrip

thing or printing
I will be at the
City tomorrow
about 6 or 7 o'clock
night - you can
address me at
this hotel if you
wish

Yours sincerely
Jim Dayton

I am having the most
of a most very
pleasant day & am
enjoying much

Seelbach Hotel

October 23, 1911.

My dear Miss Clay;

I am leaving early tomorrow morning with Dr. Wiley because I am so distressed over the outcome of today that I have no heart to stay longer, although I had planned to visit Mammoth Cave.

My admiration for you began in the little colored church in Washington whose humble audience you addressed so heartily and eloquently and it has grown steadily ever since, during

the Hearings before the House,
the accounts of your address
to the Board of Governors but
most of all during this Convention
for the rugged and fearless stand
you have taken for the cause, which
I, and my colleagues from the
District, believe was the right
one.

We have all had such
lovely courtesies shown us by
you and your townspeople and it

is a keen regret to many of us to
realize that the organization which
is the guardian of our glorious cause
should be guilty (I believe) of
injustice, ingratitude and discourtesy.

I am saying good-bye with
the hope of meeting you again. It
will not, I fear, be at a Convention,
for some time, for I don't intend
going again for many years, or at
least until some of the old
rugged independence and nobility of

spirit of earlier times again
becomes the guiding principle
of our association,

Sincerely yours

Anna Kelton Wiley

ETTA H. MADDOX
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW
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Miss Laura Clay,

Lexington, Ky.

My dear Miss Clay :

We shall hold our State meeting November 16th and 17th. We are going to have a sort of jollification supper to hurrah for California, and we desire most earnestly to have greetings from the Kentucky State Association.

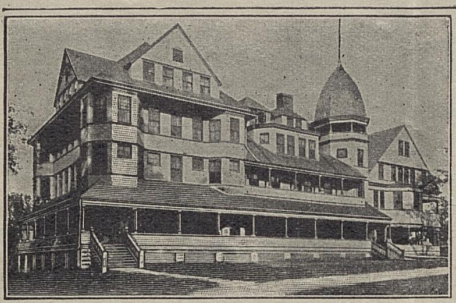
If you will see that we get these greetings we shall be much indebted.

Hoping that you are quite well, I am, with kindest regards,

Yours truly,

Etta H. Maddox

Cor. Sec. W. S. A. of Md.



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Kentucky Confederate Home

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HENRY GEORGE, Commandant

Newer Valley, Ky.

Oct 25

1911

My Dear Miss Clay:—

We are very much pleased to know you can give us a suffrage lecture at The Home. I am sorry you have to hurry off on the 2³⁵ train for Lexington. There is a train that leaves here at 5 o'clock P. M. for Lexington—but gets there too late to go on to Richmond as Mrs White seemed to think you wanted to go on to R—that night. If you could go on that train and have the lecture at 2³⁰ more of the neighbors could come at 1 o'clock is just the dinner hour of most of them. Any hour suits us here at The Home. We will have dinner at 12 o'clock and we would like for you to take dinner.

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with us. It takes nearly an hour to
come on the trolley - so you would
have to leave Louisville not later
than 11 o'clock. The trolley leaves
on Green between 3rd & 4th - and
comes every half hour, on the
hour and half hour, and I
would like for you to come
earlier than 11^{o'clock} if you conve-
niently, so as to see something
of the home before dinner.

We will be glad to have any
one come with you that you
may wish or as many as you
wish. It will be entirely convenient.

If you will have some one call over
the phone, Perry Valley no 38, and let me
know what hour to expect you, I will meet
you. The home is only a square from the
station. If you call any time after 9 o'clock
at night Mr. Kinnard, the watchman,
can take the message. I am in the
office at 7 A.M. I hope we will have
a pleasant meeting. Sincerely
Yours. F. Lawrence Barlow.

McCulloch & McCulloch,

LAWYERS

1104 MERCHANTS LOAN & TRUST BLDG.

CHICAGO.

FRANK H. MCCULLOCH
CATHARINE WAUGH MCCULLOCH.

October 25, 1911.

My dear Miss Clay,

I learn that Miss Breckenridge is out of the city and so I can not find her but I shall advise her not to resign. I telephoned such a message as soon as I had eaten breakfast + if she returns suddenly she will have it.

You are brave and true and businesslike and alert and better informed about our national work than our new board members and I feel sad about the loss to our national board by your retirement.

I just dropped a line to Mrs. Upton saying, "In prehistoric times in your day, pepper and salt were rubbed into the wounds of victims as a favorite method of torture you once wrote me but under the glorious civilization of our modern era, pepper & salt have been

succeeded by the steam roller which can grind the victim to powder with neatness and dispatch. There is one exception. The steam roller went over Laura Clay four times and she yet remains greater than the roller."

Your magnanimity of spirit when you continued your constant helpfulness to Miss Shaw on convention business, your generous pledge, your alert attention to details no other board member remembers, all this has won you friends among strangers and shamed many of the tools.

To have the wonderful gift of oratory such as Miss Shaw showed the last night, to paint a picture which appeals to thousands, to use music to lift the heart from the sordid and the hum drum are great helps to the race. But greater than these appeals to the emotions and more lasting in its influence, is character, lofty in purpose, open, sincere generous and brave. Such character

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dear friend you have shown through the announcements of this convention & you have set such an ~~example~~ example to your followers as will be hard for human beings with human weaknesses to follow.

So we salute you, leader resolute, honest and wise and may the punishment so richly deserved by certain interlopers be not rashly administered by your indignant friends. Such conduct will bring its own punishment in the moral deterioration of those who use the methods.

Now for Wisconsin -

If during the year Wisconsin should ask you to donate a month's time, would you go if Illinois paid your travelling expenses? Mrs. Brown

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told me last summer how she
esteemed you. -- Answer at your
leisure -

I took no formal leave of the
Board, ^{as I hurried to the train} but they can depend on their
new members now. I have done
everything Miss Shaw asked during
conventions. • It was not much
and I expected no thanks + my
expectations were realized

Yours sincerely,

Catharine Waight McElloch

Mrs. Caroline Bartlett Crane paid \$2⁰⁰
per day for three days to half my room, that
should lessen my bill.

Oct 26, 1911

The first chapter in our troubles
~~has~~ intended for you must have
gotten into the waste basket -
as it can not be found -

Mrs Stewart - Mrs Stockwell
and Mrs Kephau has it and
if you are interested they will
let you have it - We only
sent these letters to you for -

Regret we will not have more
than one delegate in the Convention
Hope the Convention will be a
great one -

Mayland St. S. Association

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Oct 26, 1911

1631 Eutaw Place
Baltimore

My dear Miss Clay.

Well I suspect you are tired out - I do regret to find you are off the official board - How did it happen - that all the old friends vacated at the same time - It really grieved me - I did not come to Louisville for several reasons - I felt I could be of no service - and that the convention would be neither a help or pleasure to me - I knew it would be stormy and I have passed through so much that is disagreeable the past three years - I feel I can endure no more - I am so constituted that quarrels and things ugly make me sick - I discovered the first chapter of the letter

intended for you yesterday - so send it
now - We can not put our experiences in
words - or on paper - so it is difficult to
make folks understand who are not in the
locality -

I hope I may see and hear you
soon - I and my sisters have always been
very fond of you - May the Lord keep you ^{and}
preserve you long - There are the days that
try our souls -

Will you send me the Louisville daily paper
I enclose you fifty cents for the same -
If I can ever you call on me -

Yours truly -

Emma Maddox French.

FREDERIC C. HOWE
THE CHELSEA
222 WEST TWENTY-THIRD STREET
NEW YORK

October 27, 1911.

Miss Elizabeth Hauser,
205 Superior Arcade,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Elizabeth:

Was glad to get the Suffrage news from Ohio, and to know that things are booming. Your Vote for School Suffrage is remarkable, and encourages me more than anything. Probably that's the hardest work to do.

Your clippings about the Johnsons interests me. I have not been able to get any news of them before. I also read with interest your clippings about Mrs. Pankhurst. I am delighted that her meeting was such a success, and that at last it is off your mind. I sent Florence your letter, and she said it exhausted her to even read of all you are doing.

Your book, "Marriage as a Trade" was never given to me. I will speak to Miss Hay about it the next time I see her. She is living at the Hotel Martha Washington and the flat is closed, so probably the book has been overlooked.

Mrs. Catt writes to us occasionally from South Africa, where she is having a hard time settling difficulties about the English and the Dutch.

Connecticut Woman Suffrage Association

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October 29th, 1911.

Miss Laura Clay, Louisville, Kentucky,

My dear Miss Clay,

At the Convention of the Connecticut Woman Suffrage Association which closed on Saturday, I was instructed to send you the enclosed resolution with the cordial greetings of the Association:--

Resolved that the Connecticut Woman Suffrage Association extends its thanks to Miss Laura Clay and Mrs Humphrey of the Louisville Equal Suffrage Association and also to Mrs Semple of the Woman's Club of Louisville, for the kind and generous hospitality shown to the Connecticut delegates at the recent National Convention.

May I ask you to convey the message of the Association to Mrs Humphrey and Mrs Semple.

Yours cordially,

Annie G. Porritt
Cor. Sec.

Green Hall.

The University of Chicago
Sunday Night Oct 29
1911

My dear Miss Laura.

I don't need to tell you
that I knew nothing, abso-
lutely nothing of it! The
first inkling was a
telegram received Tues-
day morning saying
I had been elected, & that
Madsen had allowed the
use of my name. I knew
nothing, but I thought
when I saw the list without

your name that a dirty
trick has been played, &

I thought maybe could

Mrs. McCullough could

act for me if anything

could be done. I had to

leave that afternoon

for New York, I could

confer with no one - I

could only write them

urging them to keep

me from doing in absentia

what they knew I'd never

Countenance. I don't need to tell you
these things. You have always been
so generous and so gentle and
I was so happy to have had
the chance Sunday night to
speak to you as I did - it was
not easy to do it in a way
as it seemed disloyal a bit to
others - I think you understand.
I am still so hurt - I can hardly
think how to act in the matter.

I have told Mrs. McClure and
Mrs. Stewart I will do what
they want, if I can, after we
have a chance to go over the
subject. I cannot lay on the
altar of any cause disloyalty -
and I will not -

I am just back from New
York where I was engaged every
moment, otherwise I would have
written you sooner.
Always - yours - Julia Dickinson

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PRESIDENT, MRS. MACKAY, 1 MADISON AVENUE, NEW YORK

TELEPHONE 6855 BRYANT



NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS, 505 FIFTH AVE., NEW YORK

Oct. 30, 1911.

Dear Miss Clay,

Just a hasty note
before I go to Ill. Convention at
Decatur, I am mailing ^{through Mrs. Weston} you a copy
of a letter I sent. Prof. Breckenridge.

She has been out of Chicago, only
returning yesterday + telephoned me
before my letter was received.

I have also had a hour's talk
with Jane Addams. Neither of
them knew she was a candidate. Prof.
Breckenridge had never been asked
+ while Jane Addams had been asked
she thought she had definitely refused
+ only intended to say something

polite + pleasant when she said that
it would be an honor to serve on the
Board.

We are urging both to stay on now
as you say, you will take neither place +
I believe they will stick. They feel just
as Mrs. Stewart + I do about the loss
of every experienced worker from the
Board + we feel Miss Shaw will need
you sadly.

Jessie Ashley called on me yes-
terday + I asked her if Miss Shaw often
scolded her + Mrs. Drunnett as she did
at the time money was raised + she
told me some of their wars. I have a
much higher opinion of her. She also
said that she now appreciated that she
had ~~not~~ made a great mistake in not
giving us a monthly statement etc.
She thought you were needed but
agrees with me that next year we will
have a grand change all around.

Hastily but faithfully Catharine Waugh McCloddy

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October 30, 1911.

Miss Laura Clay,
189 North Mill Street,
Lexington, Ky.

My dear Miss Clay:

Just before leaving Louisville I tried to find you but you were gone, so I mailed to you all of the applications for membership which had come in from local associations. Miss Shaw reminds me that I should have asked you to return them to Headquarters for filing, when you have finished with them, or to have copies made and sent to Headquarters for our file, - whichever way is most convenient for you: we need them here for reference.

Miss Shaw also tells me that I ought to formally announce to each member of new committees their appointment; so, although it is superfluous, I hereby announce to you that you were appointed Chairman of the Membership Committee for the ensuing year.

I hope you are not entirely tired out by the Convention.

With many thanks to you and the other Kentucky women for all that you did to make the Convention a success,...

Sincerely yours,

Mary Ware Dennett
Corresponding Secretary.

P.S. I am enclosing the memoranda made for the Membership Committee by Mrs. Fitzgerald, which someone handed to me, but I suppose you will be dependent upon Mrs. Stuart's Minutes for the exact wording of the Revised form in which the Membership Rules were finally adopted by the Executive Committee meeting.

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Miss Laura Clay,

Lexington, Ky.

Dear Miss Clay:-

I am agreeable to you, I would like to make an engagement to meet you & have tea back with you. I am here in the interest of my work, & to visit my son.

I really came to attend our Nat. Con. at Louisville, & after the proceedings there, it was very clear to me, that a stand should be taken against unfair methods, &c. I am in a position to help with this, as I travel & teach Par. Law most of my time. May I come to Lex. & see you? I met you in Louisville. I was raised &

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educated in Lex. being a
daughter of Horie E. Lord, a
pastor in the Christian
Church — This by way of refer-
ence —

I will be in Paris, about one
week longer. A letter or note
will reach me here.

Yours truly and sincerely
Mrs. Emma Lord Longan.

Brooklyn Green. Ky.
Oct 31st 1911.

Dear Miss Clay.

I was guilty
of a discourtesy when I left
the hotel Sunday night
without bidding you good-bye.
But by the time Mrs
Cantrill's dining out &
it was time for us to
leave for the 9-30 train.

You were so kind to me,
every body was kind, and
I am glad I went, but
I found out how little
excitement I can stand,
and what a broken reed
I am. I was horribly sick
coming home, but I
am a stronger suffragist
than ever and I am going

to do as much work in
Brookline Green as I can
possibly do this coming
year.

Will you tell me where
I can get about 200
membership cards? Also,
please tell me Mrs Ida
Porter Boyer's address.

She stood for an hour
in front of the Commantry
waiting for me and tried to
get me a seat Saturday
night and I want to write
to her and send her a
little token of gratitude.

The Convention was the
most interesting gathering I
ever attended, but I believe
a split is inevitable. It is
the South and West against
the North and East and
there are going to be ~~so~~
many incongruous ele-

ments introduced during the
next year that harmony will
be impossible.

I have begun dramatizing
"Tally Ann's Experience". I know
I can make a beautiful
play, but the hard work
will come when I try to
get it staged. The play
will be a much stronger
suffrage weapon than the
story.

See Henry Watterson is
claiming that the "Conserv."
Journal is never arrayed itself
against the equalization of
woman's rights of opportunity
person or property. I wish
I had made a collection of
the sneers ^{at woman's rights} this paper published
during the years when the
E. R. A. was making for property
rights. Not till the battle

was practically won did
the Courier - Journal give
us an encouraging word.
Then it did publish a very
nice editorial admitting that
it was just that married
women should have property
rights.

I enclose a small offering
for the Ky. E. R. A. I have
forgotten Mrs Shepard's address
so I send it to you

Sincerely Yours,
Lila Calvert Oberchain.