

[Jan 1, 1904]

Miss Laura B. Clay  
Richmond Ky.  
Dear Madam-

I often read  
your name in connection  
and in the interest of  
Woman Suffrage - I have  
a brother in Richmond  
S. F. Cook - Kentucky is  
the birth place of my family  
and I love it, although  
I have lived for many years  
in New York State - We  
have a growing P. E. Club  
in Perry (my town)



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and a fine club in Warsaw  
Miss Daniel May Mills of  
Syracuse spoke before  
the club two weeks ago,  
and also at Warsaw, Buffalo  
and other places. Would  
you be so kind as to write  
me a letter on the concerns  
of opium in Ky, or especially  
Richmond. That I could read  
to our club, it would be so  
gladly heard, and I should  
feel honored to be the  
recipient, not least a  
membership of \$5.-



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now but hope to double  
it soon. Anything you  
will say to us to inspire  
or instruct will be  
gratefully received -  
Doping to hear  
soon I am

Yours most sincerely  
(Mrs) Margerie Beardsley  
Perry  
R.F.D. N.Y.

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Jan. 12, 1904

MARCUS WAPPS'  
ENVELOPE  
PATENT APPLIED FOR

My dear Miss Clay,

The young ladies of Althea Literary Society of Kentucky University, in regular session, proposed your name as an honorary member.

We hope that it will be possible for you to accept the invitation.



MARGUSWASS  
ENVELOPE  
PATENT ABLEIDRON

For we feel that you  
will be a help to the  
society.

Yours truly,

Katharine Norton,  
Secretary.

January 12, 1904.



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Miss Laura Clay.  
North Mill Street  
Lexington,  
Ky.



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*resigned*  
*will preside at meeting, but will take no office again*  
**Washington Equal Suffrage  
Association.**

*Do you bear the responsibility  
rests on Mrs Showers*  
ADELE W. ASHMUN, PRESIDENT  
*myself*



Puyallup Wash. Jan 14

1904

My dear Miss Clay

Yours of Jan 7<sup>th</sup> is before me.

Your wise and kind suggestions agree perfectly with those of Mrs Cott & Upton in regard to the work here.

I think our "Civic Club" can scarcely be called an out & out suffrage club for it includes other civic reforms, but I will say that equal suffrage is in my opinion its dominion, issue. It also covers miscellaneous discussions of current events. This widening of expression, attracts & stimulates interest, and keeps up enthusiasm. I will inclose you a copy of our Year Book. You will notice that nearly half of our number are gentlemen and professedly are Equal Suffragists or are advancing that way. The two Club Presidents Mrs Showers & Crook seem so well satisfied with their Club results that they (it seems to me) have lost some at least of their interest in the State <sup>suffrage</sup> work. And precious time has been wasted, not until last Sat. eve did I get their instructions to go ahead issue the calls for an annual meeting here in Puyallup. Send out no reminders of dues in which I have urged the women



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To solicit membership <sup>as in</sup> your plan of work  
sending each one leaflets you sent me  
we are to meet you 23<sup>rd</sup> as it will take till that time  
to get the dues all in. Our Treasurer, I forgot to tell you  
has left the state indefinitely, passed her book over to  
Mrs Crooke <sup>and</sup> she neglected sending the list of names  
appearing on it, till last Saturday only about a <sup>doz</sup> <sup>names</sup>  
outside the Tacoma Club women were on it, so I am  
expected to rec<sup>d</sup> the dues. Having been in the <sup>work</sup> <sup>in Wash</sup> suffrage  
for about 20 years. I have taken the liberty to ask  
suffrage women from different counties in the state  
to send their dues & permit us to put their names in  
record as out & out suffragists by joining the State  
E S A organization where no local suffrage club can be  
formed in their locality. You speak of enrollment cards  
can you send me one? I'll try to interest the new  
official board in Mrs Payer's plan for organizing.  
I believe it will work well in Washington. We will not  
be able to forward the dues before the 25 inst but I  
think they will receive & give us credit for the  
under the circumstances. Thanks for your copy  
of Mrs Payer's new system for organizing.

Hoping for a successful outcome to our  
annual meeting I am

Truly yours for equality  
Elizabeth P. Spinning







I hope you will not adhere to your  
thought of withdrawing. It does not  
seem to me to be desirable for the  
work's sake, nor a desirable thing.  
It will open the way for too  
much discussion and for Mrs  
Hay to get in her work I fear,  
and aside from all that I know  
of no one who could be put  
into your place who would  
do for the work what you  
can and do.

Your position in your city and  
state, your large circle of  
friends known and of influence  
in the South are all of great  
help to our cause outside of  
your personal services.

This I think is true when we  
have not in mind as yet  
a woman of influence or  
ability in the West, whom  
we can elect,

Then I think it is not wise







Organizers to whom the money  
has been paid, with the exception  
of one they have all been western  
women. The interests of the  
West could not have been  
looked after better if all the  
Board had been western women.  
All the dissatisfaction we hear  
about because of the lack of  
change of Officers began and  
will end with Miss Kay.

No one knows who the other  
Western Auditor will be  
unless it may be that favor-  
ite of Mrs Cate Miss Schlegel  
of California, and I think the  
Convention would hesitate  
to pay the travelling expenses  
of a delegate to National  
Conventions all the way from  
California. Especially as  
all the States West of the Rocky  
Mountains do not in con-  
tributions, and feel pay for



Jan 24, 1904

# National American Woman Suffrage Association

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The expenses of one let alone  
two members. I think it would  
be a great mistake to have  
two new auditors and I  
sincerely hope you will not  
refuse to run.

I don't know how it would  
seem to be in a board meet-  
ing without you, and if  
more of the old workers go  
off the Board it would  
seem like the same thing any-  
more, and unless a change  
will make it stronger instead  
of weaker I do not see why  
it should be done, a change



simply for the sake of changing  
is not at all desirable, and I  
hope you will not do it.

It will soon be time to go to  
Washington and I shall be very  
thankful. It has been so cold  
and disagreeable ever since I  
returned from the South that  
I shall be glad to get out of  
the lecture field for a while.

I hope you are well and that  
Kentucky will be at Washington  
in full force, and that you  
will see the error of your way  
and stay on the Board.

Faithfully

Samuel Pharo



## Letter from Mr. Gompers to National Convention.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 2, 1904.  
Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt,  
N. A. W. S. A.,  
205 W. 57th Street, New York City.

Dear Madam:—

I have already had the honor of acknowledging the receipt of your kind invitation to meet with and address the ladies who will be in attendance at your convention to be held in Washington, to advance the principle of according to woman, the legal and political rights to which in all honor and fairness she is entitled in our country, and I beg to assure you that I employ no idle words when I say that I genuinely and deeply regret that I shall be unable to be with you on that occasion.

By direction of the American Federation of Labor I leave New York on Feb. 13th for Porto Rico, in the fulfillment of an important mission in the interests of the people there as well as of our people here.

Though it will not be my pleasure to be with you, and our friends at your meeting, I beg to assure you that I am in entire sympathy with the movement for the enfranchisement of women and to accord to womankind

the legal, natural and dignified position of equality to which by every human impulse and conception she is entitled to occupy.

The American Federation of Labor, representing the organized labor movement of the wage earners of our country, stands committed to the principle of securing equal pay and equal consideration of women to men. We not only declare for this, but bear burdens and make sacrifices for their achievement, conscious that they make for the advantage and benefit of all.

The application of the equality of rights in the economic and political affairs of our country and our States, will raise the conception of our common duty and redound to the lasting benefit of humanity.

Earnestly praying for a most harmonious and successful convention and that the principles for which we jointly stand may be consummated at an early date, I have the honor to subscribe myself,

Most sincerely yours,

Sam'l Gompers,

President American Federation of Labor.



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Columbus, Mo. Feb. 9  
Washington D. C. 1904

My Dear Miss Clay.

I note by the Journal that Mrs. Catt has tendered her resignation as president of F. W. E. A. that is all right. She is a miserable presiding officer and a poor president. Now they will elect some one. I know the people in our work quite well I have looked the ground over quite carefully you are my choice for many reasons which I will not now take the time to give. I hope you will do what you can properly in order to



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Washington, D. C., ..... 1903.

Secure the election. I shall not  
be there. But Mrs. Clara B. Colby  
has been appointed as my  
proxy she has been instruct-  
ed to cast the vote of Mrs.  
Cousin, three, for you. I  
have written her the reasons  
in full - and those reasons I  
think show that our cause can  
be served best by your election.  
Possibly you could see her  
and confer with her.

Yours Truly  
Olympia Brown



The Maywood  
Twentieth Century Club  
Maywood, Illinois

E 1904?

February 9<sup>th</sup>

My dear Mrs. Mc Culloch:-

I have delayed replying to your letter of inquiry because I had hoped to have an expression of opinion from the club but it seems they were not willing to give any, as no action was taken I am told. I have not been there to do my little part in stirring



turn <sup>or</sup> up about it, as  
I have been kept at home  
by a very sick child.

However little my opin-  
ion may count, I wish  
to say that it is in favor  
of working for the bill as  
you presented it - after  
tax-paying women are  
given the ballot, the  
rest will follow naturally  
and be easy.

I want to tell you  
of a little debate the  
children of the 6<sup>th</sup> grade  
had on the subject of "women's  
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suffrage" - my little 12 year old  
girl took part in it and had  
quite a creditable speech, ending  
by reading some of the opinions  
you quote in your pamphlet, while  
the other little girl also had a  
good, strong argument but the  
two boys who were on the opposite  
sides simply said they believed  
women had better be at home  
doing their housework, one having  
only one sentence, the other, two.  
I am going to have some time



At my command and wish I might  
do something towards organizing  
a local Equal Suffrage Association.  
Can you tell me how to go about it?  
I am sure of few who are interested  
but we have all been negligent and  
I have only just waked up enough  
to send my name in as desiring  
membership in the State Association.  
I want to do something to be of a  
little practical benefit and you  
can always count on my interest  
and willingness if you have any-  
thing for me to do. Sincerely yours  
Bertha H. Blake.  
902 S. 3rd Ave. Maywood, Ill



Do Mr Charles' live in Lexington - have  
heard nothing of them for several years,  
Reminisc by Feb 15<sup>th</sup> 354

My Dear Mr Farmer

Your kind letter  
of Dec 13<sup>th</sup> received in due time  
and if I had written to you as  
many times as I have thought of you  
you would have tired of my scribble  
I am glad to see that you are ac-  
tively engaged in suffrage work,  
When we have no work with an ob-  
-ject or aim, life is not worth hav-  
-ing, I am glad that I keep up my  
interest in good causes, and have  
been very busy all winter writing  
for the press. Mr Capt & I are in-  
-tensely a lone, and as I have extra  
good servants, I have all my  
time for study and writing, as  
I never visit or take part in  
social affairs

You seem to have a large and active  
Suffrage Assocn in Minnesota



and I hope they will do good and  
successful work. I am sure they  
have an able and valiant worker  
in you, you proved your ability and  
mettle in Kentucky. The Nat Conven-  
-tion is now in session in Washing-  
-ton, The press gives them only a  
few lines, I will get the Washington  
Post daily during the Con. Mrs Catt  
publishes that she will decline a  
re-election. I understand that the  
Nat Ass'n is in a shaky condi-  
-tion liable to go to pieces at any  
time, but I hope it will not be  
long as dear Miss Anthony lives.  
She is growing very feeble. Anna  
Shaw & Mrs Weston are spoken of  
as President, and if there are per-  
-quisites attached they both want  
it bad. Mrs Huesey left the Nat  
\$18,000 last year. It was paid to  
them. then 20,000 went into the  
Nat Treas from the States, do-  
-nations &c. yet they sent out beg-  
-ging letters last month to



[Feb 10, 1904]

solicit money for Convention  
expenses. They sent one to me &  
I am not a member of either  
State or Nat Assn. and I wrote  
them so and gave them my can-  
did opinion in plain English.  
If the Ky & La is alive no one  
knows it. The Leg is in session &  
there has never been a woman  
near Frankfort or a chirp through  
the press. Since you moved away  
and Mrs Sawyer & I were prayed  
out, the Ky & La seem to have  
died a natural death except in  
a few imaginations. I tell you dear  
friend the suffrage cause is in  
a paralytic condition, and under  
the present regime will get worse.  
The death of dear Miss Anthony  
will be its death - How, but the cause  
will live, evolution will bear wo-  
man on to liberty some day, but  
they will never reach there  
by the Church or Bible route



The Catholic Church is the great-  
-est bar to liberty on this earth  
and the Protestants are only a  
whit behind them, if women re-  
-alized this they could take their  
-liberty, and they would not dare  
-protest, Little Mrs Sawyer is still  
-in Washington making her living  
-in the Census Bureau, I hope she  
-will get a life appointment, I am  
-doing all I can to help into a life po-  
-sition, she is a grand brave little wo-  
-man, and her sanctified hypocrite  
-immoral husband not worthy to  
-unlatch her shoes, lots of that kind  
-in this old hypocritical world,  
I hope you & Mr Farmer keep well  
-this severe winter we are having a cold  
-one in Ky. & I conceive it is worse in St  
-Paul, The Capt & Aunt Jane joins me in  
-best regards to you both. Write me dear  
-friend I am so glad always to hear  
-from you, I weigh 114 - so sorry but  
-can't help it With love & love  
Josephine K Henry



Valley View. Ky. Feb 15 / 04

Miss Laura Colay,  
Lexington, Ky.

Kind Madam

I would like to run the note you held  
against me. I will pay interest on same about  
Mich. Court day soon as I dispose of my crop  
of tobacco which I expect to ship the coming week.

In the mean time you can inform me  
whether to send check, make deposit in bank  
to your credit or in any manner you deem  
best

Respt.

W D Dowers



## WOMAN SUFFRAGE BILL WILL BE RECOMMENDED

OLYMPIA, Feb. 16.—(Staff Correspondence.)—The senate committee on legislation and legislative revision will recommend the passage of the woman suffrage bill tomorrow. Owing to the fact that the local option question will take up the entire day, it is unlikely that a vote will be taken. However, the bill will be placed on the general file and will be put to a test within a few days.

The woman suffrage bill proposes an amendment to the constitution, and to pass it will require twenty-eight votes, which is a two-thirds majority of the senate. According to a poll made of the senate today by friends of the bill, there are only twenty-seven senators who have indicated their purpose of supporting it.



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Olympia SEATTLE, WASH. Feb. 17-1910

My dear Miss Clay:-

I was happily surprised to receive your letter today, and I trust you will be successful in Arizona. I am working like a nailer here in the legislature and I believe our bill will carry in the Senate. If it does I will be glad to tell others of the methods we used here for they were new.

I send you all the printed matter we have as to how the women of Washington lost the ballot - And Mrs. Savage who is our historian and voted in this State will send you a note also.

I am glad you do not approve of working for "paying woman suffrage". Too much work for a small gain.

I am looking forward with great pleasure to the time of our National Convention when we will greet you all. I trust it will be the very best and largest convention in the history of the Movement.

I am putting my best efforts in the work here and hope for good results.

Most cordially yours Emma Smith Devoe



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*Olympia*  
 SEATTLE, WASH.

*Feb 15 1904*

*Miss Laura Clay  
 Oregon*

*My dear Mrs Clay -*

*Mrs. Devor has asked*

*me to send you a few lines  
 in regard to the conditions under  
 which we lost the ballot.*

*I think the enclosures will  
 give details - We have talked  
 of a suit to register - but  
 nothing has been done as yet -  
 and I doubt if one could now  
 be successful carried through -  
 as we have slept on our rights - and*



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until the various provisions in  
the form of ~~preliminaries~~ make  
it difficult to get the real  
question before the court.

If the organic act of Arizona  
is identical with that of Washington  
<sup>your</sup> the judges would probably abide  
by the Washington decision altho it  
was, ~~not~~ <sup>we</sup> have since been told  
poor law. How could a judiciary  
here in the 80's know what was in  
the minds of the framers of the organic  
act in the 50's?

Very truly Yours  
Bessie J. Savage -



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294 Stuyvesant Ave.  
Brooklyn N.Y. Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> 1904.

Miss Lenna Clay  
Lexington  
Kentucky.

Dear Friend: -

Will you please write me your reply to the following question - Has it been the custom of any of the clubs in Kentucky at the close of the year, to pay to the County or State Assoc. dues for all paid members upon their list, whether or not the members have paid dues into the local suffrage club?

I have been informed that this has been done in your State, and it is quite the custom in our suffrage clubs.

This subject is being agitated in our



of our equal rights club, and will soon come  
before the members to settle. I therefore want to be  
ready to meet this accusation that has been made  
regarding such a system.

Trusting to hear from  
you, and with best wishes for the success of our  
cause in Kentucky, I remain

Yours very cordially  
Ida Augusta Craft.



[Mar 2, 1904]

Dear Miss Olney:

We had a very interesting P. & C. Club meeting yesterday at Perry, Mrs. Crockett addressed us she has a very happy way of presenting her views.

In conversation with her I told her that I had written to you and received a reply which pleased me and the Club greatly. She said she knew you and told me of the handsome legacy that some one (I forget the name) had left with you for the benefit of the Assn.



[Mar 2, 1904]

I had a letter from  
Miss Mills of Syracuse  
she <sup>also</sup> said she knew you  
and wished me to give  
you her love when I wrote.

Mrs. Brownell wished to  
be remembered most  
cordially. (She is our State Pres.)

The Club is growing & fast-  
in Perry and there many  
bright women belong.

I shall be very glad to  
hear again from you if  
you have time to spare.

I hope some time to  
meet you if I can visit  
my brother at Killebrew's -



[Mar 2, 1904.]

I could not go out - since  
last week - and a friend  
read your letter - and  
brought before the Club, in my  
place. Every one was interested  
and thought the suggestions  
very timely for us.

I have to read a paper at  
Warsaw this week; my subject  
will be "Re-Edification";  
I would like to present  
something from your letter  
if you are willing to gratify  
this club (and me specially)

Yours very sincerely,

Marguerite Beardsley  
Perry  
New York

Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup>

R. F. D.



"Up Lincoln" Phil<sup>a</sup>

Dear Laura -

In writing last  
time to you - I was feeling  
too ill to think of sending  
the enclosed check -

One dollar & fifty cents of  
this, is for "Up  
Journal" and fifty cents  
this year's due as member  
of "F. E. R. C." -

Feb. 21 - 1904

Laura S. Bruce -



TAXATION WITHOUT REPRESENTATION IS TYRANNY. WOMEN WITHOUT THE BALLOT  
ARE NOT REPRESENTED. THEREFORE

**WOMEN SHOULD HAVE THE BALLOT.  
JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE.**

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MISS GRACE REED, and MISS KATE STARR KELLOGG of Ella F. Young Club  
MRS. CATHARINE WAUGH McCULLOCH, Ill. E. S. A., Chairman and MRS. MARY DARROW OLSON, Treasurer.

135 ADAMS STREET,  
CHICAGO, ILL.

March 9, 1904.

My dear Miss Clay;  
I have been meditating several days hoping to see my way clear to join your committee but I am overwhelmed with work now + I dare not accept another thing this year. I did accept Miss Gordon's invitation to act as legal adviser + then came Miss Shaw's letter asking me to look after the Nat. Rep. Convention + as I do want to please Miss Shaw + the rest of the committee I accepted. This letter alone if properly worked up beforehand will mean thousands of letters and considerable brain lag.



I have helped at two Nat. Conventions  
before + the discouraging thing was  
that almost none of the politicians  
knew a suffragist in his own State  
or had heard of our organization.

As you say I do appreciate just  
what this committee should do + believe in  
your plan but I have been so handicapped  
by work of all sorts, I have not worked  
this plan at home as I ought, no one

but I secured any members. I have  
spoken to Mrs. Herbert several times +  
yet she does not join and pay her money.

I am sure however I could do more  
if I took the time. Let me work this  
plan successfully here before you  
promote me.

Will you please Mrs. Blake some  
of your printed circulars. The last page of  
her letter shows she is ready for your plan.

Yours truly,  
Catharine Vaughn McCulloch





Valley View, Ky., Nov 10 1904

Miss Laura Clay,  
Lexington, Ky.

Dear Madam-

I written you some time ago regarding the land notes you hold against me. I herewith have you check for \$105<sup>00</sup>/<sub>100</sub> covering interest on notes to Jan 1-1904.

I am glad you will run these notes. I will try and pay some on them during the coming summer.

Answer soon as you get this and if not agreeable for you to hold them, let me know so I can place them elsewhere

Respt

W. D. Dowers



Robinson

C O P Y.

Headquarters, Phoenix, Arizona.  
March 13, 1904.

My dear Mrs. Catt:-

I submitted the proposition that I should make the loop of the southeastern part of the Territory, now nearly covered by railroad, and covering the towns of Tucson, Nogales, Waco, Douglas, Tombstone, Benson, Bowie, Solomonville, Safford, Thatcher, Pima, Globe, Florence, Mesa, Tempe. As I said, some of these towns might prove impracticable, and others might develop work ability as we go along. I proposed that I should hold public and parlor meetings wherever possible, form clubs, consult with leading politicians, and get subscriptions for our paper. I think I said that the Territory would apply the funds we may raise for our treasury on the expenses of the trip, but I forgot to mention the very obvious and necessary matter of collections.

We should try to get entertainment, and should doubtless succeed in many places, in doing so, but we cannot be abject about it. We could not sacrifice the prestige of the cause or our own, in the interest of free lodging. Our situation must be known to be appreciated. When Dr. Woods was here, it was necessary for me to pay her hotel bill in Tempe, out of my own pocket in order to get her a hearing. I believed it best for her to go to the fashionable hotel, at a high price. By so doing, we had a lecture in the lobby in the evening, and had just the people we wanted. We got their names on the petition, and some of them on the club roll, and that petition secured at least one vote in the legislature by those very names. The Co. afterwards refunded the money to me. Those names secured that vote, but those people would not entertain Dr. Woods, or anyone else, for suffrage. We might have secured cheaper rates, but in so doing, not have secured the names that got the vote. Those people would not have stayed to hear a woman coming in from a cheap hotel, or from an obscure home. I should feel that we must be free to exercise our judgment in the matter of lodgings. I would be willing to economize as much for the cause as for my own sake and that is saying a good deal, but at times, I have spent my own money rather liberally, for the indirect help of woman suffrage.

A few of us here, have the task of maintaining the cause of suffrage against about an equal number of antis, of the usual aggressive type, who are fortunate in having much more money than we, and a social position equal to ours. We cannot of course meet them on their own ground, but neither can we allow ourselves to be called Jays. If we cannot maintain more or less fashionable ground for suffrage in Arizona, we can not win for it. And you cannot imagine how stylish we are out here. The ultra fashionables ~~xxxxxxx~~ of New York may beat us by a hair, but not more. No cause that counts its pennies too obviously, in Arizona, can win. We can gain certain support by the most economical processes, but not enough to pass our bill. We must be at liberty to adjust our conduct to the circumstances, else we cannot benefit our cause, as much as we should harm it. And I cannot but feel that people whose judgment cannot be trusted, should keep their hands off this work.

When I made my proposal to the National, I expected to go alone, and did not see how I could cover the proposed route in less than four or five weeks. The most time I can now give to it would be three weeks, but if Mrs. Munds also goes, I think the same work could be done in that



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time. I cannot start before the first of April, and must be at home again before the first of May. During the first ten days of May, I might do some more work along the road toward the north east, if the results of our first trip should justify it. But I would not have time to write xx to headquarters for separate arrangements. If the Committee think I ought not to rely on my own judgment as to the expediency of the second trip, it would be well to notify me as early as April 20th. There would be no expense for my return home from the second trip. As to this second trip, I do not know whether Mrs. Munds would go. The possibility of it has dawned for me only within a few days, and we have not mentioned it between ourselves."

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Lida Parce Robinson.



Call

205 West 57th Street, New York City.

March 19th, 1904.

My dear Mrs. Robinson:-

As a result of previous correspondence, the Business Committee of the National-American Woman Suffrage Association, authorize you and Mrs. Frances Wunda to take a month's trip through the Southeastern portion of Arizona, visiting the places as outlined in your previous letter. The authorization is given with the understanding that previous arrangements will be made with as many of the towns as possible for public meetings, and that you shall not start upon the trip until such arrangements are made.

It is expected that you will secure free entertainment in the homes of the suffragists, wherever possible, and that hotels will not be employed except in such cases where the good of the work absolutely demands it, or where entertainment cannot be secured.

It is expected that at all public meetings a collection will be taken for the benefit of the Arizona work, and this collection is to be applied upon your traveling expenses.

It is expected that the meetings will be utilized to strengthen organization where it exists, or to form new organization where it does not exist, and that these organizations shall be urged to work with reference to securing full suffrage from the next Legislature or from the Constitutional Convention, in the event one shall be precipitated by the admission of Arizona into Statehood by pending acts of Congress.

The expenses to be paid by the National Association are, railroad fare where passes cannot be secured, baggage transportation, omnibus transfers and necessary hotels. The Association does not pay personal expenses of any kind, such as laundry, etc. The Territory is expected to



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Mar 19, 1904

Mrs. L. P. R.

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defray the cost of correspondence with these places to be visited. The National Association will furnish Constitutions and some literature, for purposes of propaganda.

Mrs. Munds and yourself jointly, or separately, would be expected to send to Mrs. Harriet Taylor Upton, our Treasurer, an itemized expense account at the end of each week, and blanks for these accounts would be furnished you. These accounts should also include the itemized report of collections taken in order that the Treasurer may understand what deficit, if any, remains to be paid to you.

Yours truly,

The above is my understanding of the agreement between the National-American Woman suffrage Association, and Mrs. Robinson and Mrs. Munds of Arizona.



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*Resigned & left the state*  
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Miss Laura Cloy  
Lexington K.

Puyallup April 28<sup>th</sup> 1904.

My dear sister,  
Your little <sup>and</sup> news letter is at hand. Thanks! I am much interested in your plan to increase the membership and will inclose some stamps for your leaflets. I cannot go out organizing as I have a little home to look after & other industries to look after & am a little too far advanced in life to work in that field. But having been quite an ~~active~~ suffrage worker in the W.C.T.U. for <sup>about</sup> 20 years I know quite a few of suffragists scattered over West Wash. to whom I might write & inclose your plan of work. It is very kind of you to interest your self so much in our work & I have before me a letter from Prussia & Mack Huff written at your request, containing a circular & sample enrollment cards.

Since next year will bring the N.O.W.S. to Portland Or. so near us, I hope it will prove an incentive to work here in Wash. for a <sup>more</sup> respectable showing in an increase of membership and a large delegation to the Convention. I hope to be there to have the pleasure of meeting you & other national workers that I have become acquainted with by correspondence.

Very sincerely yours, Elizabeth Spinning



P.S. I will order more  
leaflets later on  
E.P.S.



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April 27. /04

My Dear Miss Clay

Your draft of "plan for Increase of Membership" received with your kind letter. I have delayed an answer I know - but our Legislature Supt. has had it at Headquarters - and returned it this noon. I think your plan a wise one - and if my name will add anything, just use it. I wanted to give it an individual trial <sup>in</sup> my own city, but as yet have been unable - I hope to soon - Thank you for the copy of "News letter." What a busy woman you must be - looking after such a number of "brain children." I am almost entirely well - and what is a great addition am almost through "house cleaning." You will know from Mrs. Wpton that La. had asked for \$300,000. You may think we are presumptuous - but we



find that without any field work  
that we face a deficit of about \$310.00-  
in our State expenses- tho' we have tried  
to make our legislative expenses just as  
small as possible- & we do regret to  
stop all field work now. You see  
we are fine beggars.

Why will not  
Mr. Carnegie when he is racking his  
brain to find heroes to bless with his  
substance- see that Miss Anthony is a  
hero?

Hoping you keep well- & that you will  
rise from the defeat in the Sty. legislature- as  
we propose to rise from the defeat in ours. (but how  
hard to bear are these setbacks) I am very sincerely yours  
Mary J. Coggeshall



{ 32 Stuyvesant Street  
New York  
April 6<sup>th</sup> 1904

My dear Miss Clay,

I have ordered sent  
you from the publishers a book  
which may I hope interest  
you: for I remember very dis-  
tinctly the logical character  
of your mind. There is no  
subject of my more vital in-  
terest to women than that of  
Finance and since they are not



Committed, as men are, to one school or to another it seems to me that they should be able to view the question dispassionately and perceive when a new and fundamental note has been struck.

This I am sure has been done by my Father and I shall be very glad if you should have the time to discover it for yourself and to render me in consequence some advice and assistance in reaching women (or men) in the South.

The Rockefeller interest

is determined to get control of the power to issue the money of the country and nothing but a wide-spread interest and knowledge of the subject can prevent their doing so.

We can cry down all other trusts in vain, so long as the present money trust continues and if it should be aggravated by further legislation in behalf of the plutocrats nothing but a French-revolution can result.

I should be very glad to hear from your sister Mary, she will probably remember me as



We saw a great deal of each other  
in Ann Arbor, and I do not think  
that you will, but I am sure you  
will excuse my intruding upon your  
time and attention when you have  
read the 44<sup>th</sup> Century Primer Law.  
It is "difficult" in style and in  
matter but very able men concede  
that it is unanswerable. I feel  
however that their endorsement is not  
enough. The people must understand  
this question themselves.

With all kind wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Rose Wright Rogers.



James B. Kinnaird, M. D.

OFFICE HOURS:  
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7 to 9 P. M.

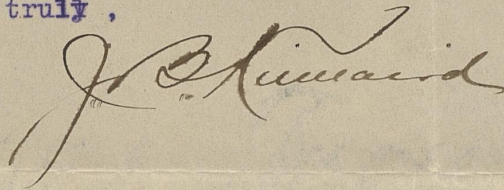
Lancaster, Ky. April 13th 1904

Miss Laura Clay,  
191 N. Mill, St.  
Lexington, Ky.

I received the pictures of Mrs Staton and children sometime ago, but not knowing your address I have failed to write and thank you for them. Allow me now to express my thanks and appreciation of same.

Very truly,

Dic. J. B. K.





April 17, 1904.

A Reflection.

Those who admit that women may and ought to think about laws and other public affairs, even though they maintain that women should seek to obtain these ends without the ballot, do, after all, agree with the main contention of the suffragists; which is that women are equally interested in all matters of government with men, and should have equal freedom to influence it. This main contention admitted, all the rest becomes a question of method, which the suffragists are to show is best found in the ballot, and not in influence or petition.



The Shoreham -

May 2, 1904

Washington City

My dear Laura -

It is a long time since I rec'd your letter, but my silence has not been the result of forgetfulness.

I have been only waiting to hear something interesting



to write to you - observing the  
old saying, "Let what  
you say be better than  
silence, or be silent,"  
I will I have planned  
to be in Lexington, <sup>between</sup>  
now, and the eleventh  
of this month trusting  
no insuperable obstacle



will defer my return one single  
day after the 11th, I will send  
Mrs Chickliffe a telegram the  
day I leave here & these few  
weeks in Washington City have  
been very pleasant ones, as  
my health is better. The  
Fayette Equal Rights Ass. new



Secretary, has been a very  
great surprise to me &  
I am delighted that a  
Committee of Women will  
"wheel" again on the Board  
of Trustees of Kentucky  
State College - to ask  
that a Dean of Women  
be appointed there. With  
best love to yourself & Mrs  
Pickoffe - Yrs  
Sincerely  
May 2 - 1904 - Laura S. Bued



[May 11, 1904]

Kentucky Federation of Women's Clubs.

My dear Miss Clay:

It will give me great pleasure to sign the letter to be sent to the Trustees of the State College asking the appointment of a Dean of Women and the establishment of a school of Domestic Science. Both measures have my hearty endorsement.

I will take pleasure in having it brought before



the Boards of our local  
clubs and having a  
petition sent to Mr Nelson  
But will you kindly  
send me word who  
Mr Nelson is and where  
he can be found. I have  
not been able to find  
any one who knows  
him or I would have  
addressed him a per-  
-sonal appeal before  
this.

I am sure the Ant  
Club and Women's  
Emergency Association  
will both endorse the  
matter.



I leave for St Louis next Monday  
night so ask you to send a speedy  
reply.

The Kentucky Federation meeting  
will be June 14<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup>  
in Franklin Ky. That is we go  
on the 14<sup>th</sup> and hold sessions on  
15<sup>th</sup> + 16<sup>th</sup>

I sincerely hope to have the  
pleasure of meeting you there  
Yours very sincerely

Emma Peters

May 11<sup>th</sup> 1904

P.S. I will return your letter before  
I leave home. I wish to have  
it to read to the ladies

Yours

E. S. P.



Bennett

MISS BELLE H. BENNETT, PRESIDENT,  
RICHMOND, KY.

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NASHVILLE, TENN.

# Woman's Home Mission Society,

Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

MRS. R. W. McDONELL, GEN'L SECRETARY,  
NASHVILLE, TENN.

MISS MARY HELM, EDITOR "OUR HOMES,"  
NASHVILLE, TENN.

*Richmond, Ky.*

May 17, 1904.

Miss Laura Clay,  
Lexington, Ky.

My dear Laura:

Your letter of May 2d reached me at this place today. Lizzie came to Dr McMurtry for an operation last Thursday. I came over from Kansas City and joined her Friday morning. The operation was performed Saturday and for twenty-four hours she was very sick from the shock and nausea produced by the aneesthetic. She is feeling very well today, and we hope will be able to go home in two or three weeks, at least. By home I mean back to Richmond.

I am very glad you are going to have a Woman's counsel at Chautauqua. I am always mighty glad to see other women do their duty to the great American Public, but I must confess I have a great drawing back when it comes to doing my part of that duty.

Please say to Mrs ~~Roxard~~ <sup>Roxard</sup> that I greatly appreciate her kindness in thinking of me, but I can't make that speech. I have been going for nearly three months and have not spared myself, I still have some engagements up to the middle of June, after that I am going to try to do as I please and that is to do nothing. Lizzie tells me that Jim



Bennett

L. C.

and Sally have been at Martinsville, Ind. I have not been home for a month. Of course you have heard of Mrs. Curtis Burnam's death? She and Major Burnam had lived together for 59 years.

Thanking you very much for the leaflet, it is a telling record. You ought to see it broad cast through the State. I wish you would come over and make me a visit when I get settled at home. Lizzie says she does not want to go back to the West without seeing something of you. She joins me in much love.

Yours affectionately,

Bessie H. Bennett.



423 Second Street

May 25, 1904

My Dear Miss Clay:

My brother tells me that by the same post that brought him the petition in relation to the chair of Dean of Women in the State College, he received also a letter from Miss Neville offering herself for the position. This fact suggested to him two suppositions: that the women whose names were appended to the petition were acting in concert with Miss Neville, and also that, from the emphasis laid upon a university training, some contrast was implied with regard to me. I told him that you had informed me you were not acting in the interest of any individual, and assured him that the persons who framed the petition had all expressed themselves in special admiration of my ability and my work, and that never, consciously, would they do anything that could be a means of injury to me. However, the opposite was the impression made upon him, and he feared it might be the impression made upon others. No concerted effort was made in my behalf, and I secured my place unaided by organized support. The indication would seem to



be, therefore, that my appointment had not given satisfaction, seeing that such concerted effort appears in behalf of another young woman in my own community. Individually I should be sincerely glad to see the chair that has been suggested created, and Miss Neville appointed to fill it. But I believe there is at this time not the slightest probability of such action, and, therefore, I am grieved at the unwitting injury that may be done to me because of the circumstances surrounding your petition and my own immediate situation.

It is a well known fact in this community that the conditions of my life prevented me from leaving my home to take a university course. But these very conditions also were the means of giving me the constant instruction of my father, who was, as you know, a classical scholar such as I should have found in few universities, and whose particular talent and taste for literature enabled him to impart to me a training better, I now see, than it would have been possible for me to receive elsewhere. Since ceasing my studies at the State College I have for the past ten years laboured on an average of nine hours a day to develop the special line of work to which



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c May 25, 1904

I am called-- the interpretation of literature in relation to life. I have steadfastly refused all offers to be a class room instructor, being convinced that it would be wrong for me to hamper or to dissipate the special gift I have through attention to the technicalities of teaching. I feel that I have a large work to accomplish in the college, among both men and women, and in order that my efforts may be externally strengthened, I am asking that I be made a regular member of the faculty. I do not, as I told you, wish to confine my interests mainly to the women. I do not believe in work for women as women, or for men as men. I believe in equal opportunity-- before the law, and in matters of education and religion-- for the individual, not as man or woman, not as of high or low estate

I wish to ask if, when you make your spoken address to the members of the Board of Trustees, you will not kindly bear in mind the points I bring before you, and so express yourself as not to imply any disparagement of myself or of the work I am most earnestly striving to accomplish. I rest in perfect confidence



of the fairness and broad minded intentions that animate you.

Very sincerely yours,

Elizabeth Shelby Pinkhead

I use my typewriter for your convenience -  
E.S.P.

May 25, 1954







for a chair of Dean of Women ~~which~~  
the words "a chair to be held by  
a carefully chosen and fully  
equipped woman of university  
training" The reason for such  
similarity of <sup>expression</sup> language in all  
the petitions <sup>is that of 1904</sup> is because ~~the~~  
much of our information on  
<sup>and on that of the Department of Census</sup>  
the subject was derived from  
~~my sources,~~  
the large collection of letters  
printed in the <sup>Evening</sup> Morning  
Herald <sup>on which the qualifications were</sup> January 12, 1902. These letters  
were from <sup>representatives of</sup> special persons  
were from <sup>approved</sup> educational  
colleges in all sections of  
the country, and <sup>were</sup> answered a  
letter sent out by Mrs. Cassius  
M. Clay, of Paris, Secretary, acting for  
women from different parts of Ken-  
tucky interested in the <sup>improvement of</sup> advantages  
offered to women in the State  
College. The testimony thus derived  
from many independent sources  
leads the societies now petition

for a Dean of Women to believe  
that a <sup>such a</sup> ~~woman~~ ~~member~~ mem-  
ber of the faculty, and charged  
with the <sup>care</sup> and oversight of  
the collegiate interests of women,  
is a <sup>very</sup> important part of  
the <sup>need in</sup> educational college  
and that <sup>the qualifications our petitioners mention</sup>  
as <sup>entirely</sup> ~~not~~ <sup>repeated</sup> ~~repeated~~ <sup>of your brother</sup>  
I am glad to say that ~~is not~~  
~~repeated~~ <sup>is not</sup> ~~repeated~~ <sup>repeated</sup> ~~repeated~~ <sup>repeated</sup>  
what I said in my conversation with you.  
I agree that my interest in  
the success of the petition is  
impersonal. I will add that  
the name of a candidate has  
never been mentioned in the  
meetings of our joint commit-  
tee, and I am under the im-  
pression that a number of  
that come some members, at  
least, of the committee, are not  
aware that ~~that~~ <sup>it is a</sup> ~~is a~~ <sup>is a</sup> ~~is a~~ <sup>is a</sup>  
didates for the position, though  
I suppose ~~that~~ <sup>that</sup> ~~that~~ <sup>that</sup> ~~that~~ <sup>that</sup>  
~~that~~ <sup>that</sup> ~~that~~ <sup>that</sup> ~~that~~ <sup>that</sup>  
~~that~~ <sup>that</sup> ~~that~~ <sup>that</sup> ~~that~~ <sup>that</sup>



of ~~the~~ <sup>candidate</sup> ~~ground~~ <sup>there is absolutely nothing to</sup>  
~~it~~ <sup>ground</sup> ~~for the suppression~~ <sup>that there</sup>  
~~of concerted action in favor of any one~~  
I presume you saw the ~~petition~~  
published petition, which was  
published in last Sunday's news  
paper, and in that case you  
must have observed that the  
larger portion of it was devoted  
<sup>asked for</sup> to the ~~establishment~~ of a Depart-  
ment of Domestic Science.

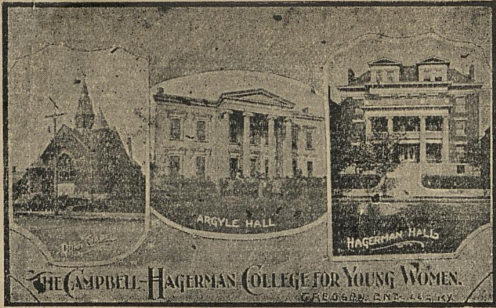
In regard to what you ask about  
my spoken address to the Board  
of Trustees I wish to state that  
the plan of our joint committee  
is to have a speech of a few  
minutes from a ~~representative~~ <sup>public member</sup>  
of each of the seven societies  
represented. I am the one chosen  
from the Equal Rights Association,  
and in the ~~brief remarks~~ for which  
alone ~~there will be time~~ allotted  
me, I will bear in mind your caution,  
for which, however, there was no  
need, ~~and to abstain~~ <sup>from anything</sup>  
that could be construed as ~~an~~ <sup>act of</sup> ~~dispar-~~



agreed ~~with~~ <sup>you</sup> on your <sup>work</sup>.  
~~I beg to say, however, that I need-~~  
~~ed no such caution, as the fact~~  
that you hold the position  
you do has been a matter  
of much satisfaction to me,  
and I have so expressed my-  
self whenever the subject  
was mentioned. I think a Dean  
of Women on the faculty would  
strengthen your position, and  
not weaken it, and that is cer-  
tainly my hope.

Very sincerely yours  
Laura Clay.





B. C. HAGERMAN, PRESIDENT,  
LEXINGTON, KY.

Lexington, Ky., June 1, 1904.

My dear Miss Clay:

Enclosed please find check for \$15.00 , which the young ladies desired me to send you as a very slight token of their appreciation of your most excellent address, given them upon their graduation day. They trust that you will purchase with it, something which will be a pleasant reminder of the first graduating class of Campbell-Hagerman College.

I want to thank you myself, for the good you did me. I feel that your words will help me over many trying experiences which come to all in life's journey.

With kind regards and best wishes, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

*M. C. Hagerman.*



Frankfort.

E1953-045  
June 7<sup>th</sup>

My dear Laura

I promptly acknowledge with hearty thanks your letter, with Minutes of our Meeting. I do feel indebted to you for your own promptness, & the good work & help given the Cause. I am glad to hear of the subscription for the Spirit of Missions. Will you add to the good work



by sending name of subscriber  
to me. I must send ten  
names to the Spirit of Missions  
before we receive the benefit  
of the offer for Missions. I  
have four names, when  
I send ten, five dollars  
will be given us for our  
Triennial Offering. I am  
waiting eagerly to send the  
ten coupons, I hold, filled  
out. If the Auxiliary holds  
a meeting in the near future



I would like to be present with  
you. I am yours sincerely.

Mary E. Harrison.

I do not feel the worse for my  
trip. On the contrary am so happy  
that our meetings passed off so  
well that I am really better.  
M. E. H.



I was amazed to find just  
now this letter written days  
ago, & I thought I mailed.

M. L. H.



Frankfort E1903-043  
June 7<sup>th</sup>

My dear Laura

I have been  
remiss in not acknowledg-  
ing sooner the result of  
your efforts, which came  
to me through the Bishop.  
He sent me the check for  
two dollars saying it was  
to be used at once in  
paying for the services of



~~Dear Mrs. [unclear]~~  
~~Thank you for your letter~~  
~~of the 10th inst.~~  
~~and for the offer~~  
~~of a secretary.~~  
~~I have been~~  
~~very busy~~  
~~and have not~~  
~~had time~~  
~~to write~~  
~~you.~~  
~~I am~~  
~~very~~  
~~sincerely~~  
~~your~~  
~~friend~~  
~~and~~  
~~servant~~  
~~as~~  
~~before.~~

a secretary. I wrote back  
advising to make use of  
her when ever needed.

I appreciate the thought  
of your part. I suppose

it is why women who have  
been as busy as you who

would have thought of what  
I wish it might be to

have some <sup>one</sup> during my busy  
season to share the work.

It was a pleasure and  
privilege to have you with



us during our recent Meeting, & I  
hope it is but the beginning of many  
such occasions together. It is  
my intention to visit all the Branches  
in the year, & I hope to inspire at  
least sufficient interest to have the  
tax for the support of the work  
paid regularly. Then there will  
be no trouble about meeting the  
expenses of an Assistant with  
every good wish for you & your own  
peculiar work. I am  
Yours sincerely  
Wm. A. ...



June 12 1904



The Dennis  
Atlantic City, N. J.  
Walter J. Busby

My dear Laura.

I hear that Louisa Bruce  
my daughter is quite sick with  
acute indigestion while not  
necessarily fatal. As dangerous  
one makes me very uneasy but  
she is not getting proper attention  
in a private home. Tell her if I say  
to go to the Good Samaritan Hospital  
where she is quite well managed  
minus extra expense I will see  
to that she can there get



the proper food and constant  
attention it would be well  
for her to go even if she is  
getting better and take a rest  
I enclose a letter I got from  
one of her friends which she  
might like to read

Love to her and yourself  
from your excellent alumnus  
E. J. Bruce,



L. D. PHONE.

ALBERT S. HARDEN, M. D.

7 HUMBOLDT STREET  
NEAR WARREN

NEWARK, N. J., June 14 1904

My dear Miss Laura -  
Will you kindly  
write and tell me how  
my sisters are. I feel quite  
uneasy about her. If  
I am needed and can  
be any comfort to her  
write me and I will  
leave by the next train.  
I am here on a short  
visit - to this big doctor  
son of mine. He says for



what I tell him about  
the case it is acute  
gastro. William has  
an attack every Spring  
and Fall he has  
no flora with his thick  
albumen me with listerid.  
She worries about  
me, the humid creature  
that has tried to put  
a blight upon us all.  
I often wonder where  
to find God above is  
hope all you need  
with you. I hope you  
miss me I for which I  
had felt come  
Sincerely Alice B. Chew



June 22, 1904

2 Miller Ave

Portsmouth N.H.

My dear Miss Gray

Your letter which told  
of our dear friend's illness  
has I am shocked indeed  
but hope it will be better  
with her ere this, - I had  
expected daily to hear from  
her - I reached home June 11<sup>th</sup>



the wife she has coming to  
Boston for Genl. Com. Tell  
her "Mummi" my heart is  
to be married this fall  
a big loss to me. I am  
glad Mrs Bruce is near  
her friends - I thank  
you for the letter &  
I shall keep me informed  
of her state in future

I'll consider no letter as  
good news, that she is letter -  
that will see you some -

With much sympathy  
for her - With Love

I am your friend

Marionna Pierce -

I'll send Secrete envelope -  
I had there a few days on table  
home -

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after a perilous trip is near  
Butte Mon. he has only  
a coat car & had my  
rect. - I had the yellow  
Stone - Port, had 40 miles on-  
stage one day - these things  
Let her if she is able to  
then - I am sorry for her,  
in Phil. she has ill too -  
I had expecting to hear



Oak Terrace Kenwood Hill

June 22nd 1914

My Dear Miss Clay.

I have seen Judge Barker. We had quite a talk. and he asked many questions. that I could give him facts and figures, seemed to please him. and he soon saw. that his plan of putting Domestic Science in. with their present facilities was neither practicable nor advisable. We soon had it upon such a basis, as to make it clear in his mind, just how it could



and should be introduced.  
He will go to the meeting tomorrow  
with a great deal of enthusiasm  
and will urge the establishment  
of Domestic Science, in the right  
way, that is to take its place with  
the sciences of the College, with a  
thoroughly competent instructor.  
If he cannot accomplish his pur-  
pose at this meeting - he will have  
a called meeting, and ask me  
to come before the Trustees - if he  
does succeed, he will ask my  
further aid and advice - so.  
Things look pretty bright for us



tho. of course one can never tell.  
what Trustees may do - I rather  
think the "Deanships" will be  
allright also.

Very Cordially Yours.  
Ida C. Chatterson

Mrs. J. M. C. -  
578 W. Jefferson Str.  
Louisville -