

Proceedings
OF THE
THIRTIETH ANNUAL CONVENTION
OF THE
National American
Woman Suffrage Association —
AND THE
CELEBRATION OF THE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE
FIRST WOMAN'S RIGHTS CONVENTION.



Held in Washington, D. C., February 13-19.

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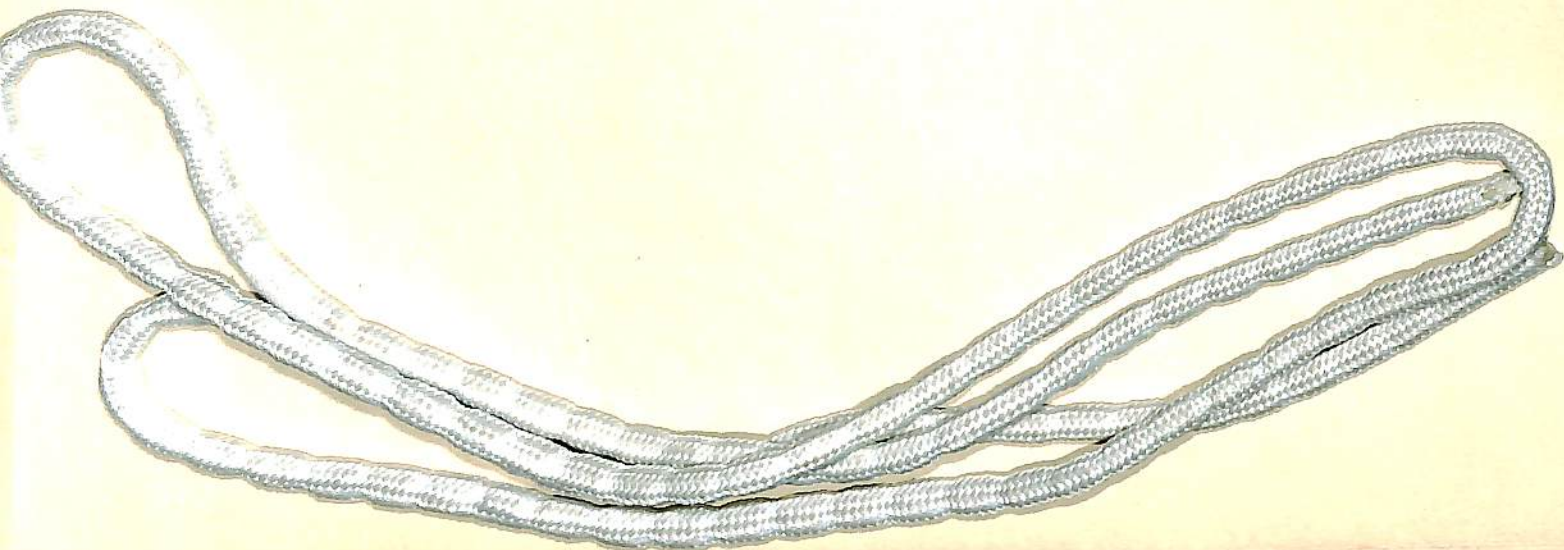
Today I send you by express the set of N. A. W. S. A. reports promised some months since. I much regret the delay, but the great pressure of work on my biography made it unavoidable. The set of reports is complete, as none were published during several years.

Hoping the books may prove useful to your readers, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Susan B. ANTHONY,

per Sec'y.



CALL FOR THE THIRTIETH ANNUAL CONVENTION
AND FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

OF THE

National American Woman Suffrage Association.

The Thirtieth Annual Convention will be held in the Columbia Theatre, Washington, beginning February 14th, and ending February 19th, 1898.

This meeting will be of special interest and significance as the Fiftieth Anniversary of the first convention ever held to demand equal rights for women. No reform was ever more imperatively needed, none ever had greater obstacles to overcome. The subjection of women was world-wide and of immemorial antiquity. It was accepted as rooted in the codes and customs of all nations. It was accepted by men and women alike as the law of nature and of God. The thought of equality for women,—their right to education, to a chance for self-support, to the control of their own persons, children, earnings and property,—had scarcely dawned upon even the most progressive minds.

The great movement has steadily advanced. In this half-century a new world has been created for woman. In home and school, in church and State, in the courts and in the industries and professions, a reformation has been effected, all the more to be valued because achieved through the slow processes of evolution rather than the harsh measures of revolution.

In the political world, the last stronghold of prejudice, the rights of women are being recognized. We have to-day a President and a Congress elected in part by the votes of women. The constitutions of Wyoming, Colorado, Utah and Idaho secure to women the full suffrage. In the two hundred and eighty-five incorporated cities of Kansas, women exercise municipal suffrage. In twenty-two states they possess school suffrage.

The twentieth century belongs equally to men and women. All citizens of the United States, all friends from other countries, are cordially invited to co-operate in celebrating the semi-centennial of the first convention held for what Wendell Phillips declared to be "the most momentous reform that has yet been launched on the world."

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT, ROCHESTER, N. Y.

August 11, 1898.

To the Librarian of the State Historical Society,
Madison,
Wis.

Dear Sir: --

As I see from my record of gifts and sales of the History of Woman Suffrage that you have it in your library, I wish to know if you would like a set of the annual pamphlet reports of the National-American W. S. A., from 1884 to 1898, inclusive. These contain all the data of the suffrage movement which have been published in book form since the conclusion of the History, and I am now endeavoring to place them in public libraries throughout the country, where they will be preserved and kept accessible to readers and students. If you would like a set on these conditions, I will be happy to send you one. Kindly notify me if you are willing to pay the expressage.

I have also a limited number of copies of the Official Report of the First International Council of Women, held in 1888, the speeches at which give a brief but very complete resume of women's condition, legal, social and industrial, educational and political, in all countries at that date. If your library is without this useful reference book, I will take pleasure in adding one to the reports.

The work of having good suffrage literature placed in public libraries is one in which I am much interested. If not asking too much of you I should consider it a favor to receive a list of the books you already have on the woman question -- not merely suffrage, but the position and achievements of women in the professions, industries and arts, and the lives of distinguished women. I should also like to know if your library makes the collection of this branch of literature one of its specialties, as in that case I might be able to help you to some extent.

Very sincerely yours,

(Dictated.)

Susan B. Anthony



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AT THE

Columbia Theatre,

TWELFTH AND F STREETS, WASHINGTON, D. C.,

February 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 1898.

RELIGIOUS SERVICE, SUNDAY AFTERNOON, FEBRUARY 13,
AT THREE O'CLOCK.

SERMON BY REV. ANNA HOWARD SHAW.

Day Sessions Free.

Evening Sessions, Silver Offering.

Reserved Seats, 25 cents additional, on sale at the Theatre.

Hotel Headquarters at "The Regent,"
15th St. and Penna. Ave.

EDITED BY RACHEL FOSTER AVERY.

Philadelphia:

PRESS OF ALFRED J. FERRIS, 29 N. SEVENTH ST.

AFTERNOON, 2 O'CLOCK.

SHORT ADDRESSES BY STATE PRESIDENTS.

Massachusetts, HENRY B. BLACKWELL, *Proxy*.
 Missouri, ELLA HARRISON.
 California, MARY A. SWIFT.
 Illinois, ELMINA SPRINGER, *Proxy*.
 Iowa, JULIA CLARK HALLAM, *Proxy*.
 Nebraska, CLARA BEWICK COLBY.
 New York, MARIANA W. CHAPMAN.
 Pennsylvania, LUCRETIA L. BLANKENBURG.

4 O'CLOCK.

SPECIAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING in Reception Room of
 "The Regent."

EVENING, 8 O'CLOCK.

Opening Address by the President, SUSAN B. ANTHONY.
 Our Defeats and Our Triumphs (Paper), by the Honorary
 President, ELIZABETH CADY STANTON, New York.
 A Voice from South Carolina, VIRGINIA D. YOUNG.
 The Changing Phases of Opposition, REV. ANTOINETTE BROWN BLACKWELL, New Jersey.
 Violin Solo, JOSEPH H. DOUGLASS.
 a. "Fantasie Caprice," *Vieuxtemps*.
 b. "Gypsy Melodies," *Sarasate*.
 Women in Church Philanthropies, FRANCES STEWART MOSHER, Michigan.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15th.

MORNING, 10 O'CLOCK.

Congressional Hearing.

AFTERNOON, 2.30 O'CLOCK.

Work Conference.
 An Ideal State Association, CARRIE CHAPMAN CATT.
 Juvenile Work, J. MARY PIERSON,
 Superintendent Juvenile Work, New York.

Press Work.

Ideal Press Work, JESSIE J. CASSIDY,
 National Press Chairman
 Plate Work, ELNORA M. BABCOCK,
 Press Superintendent, New York.
 How to Utilize the Press of Large Cities, IDA H. HARPER,
 Improvements over Present Methods, IDA PORTER BOYER,
 Chairman Press Committee, Penna.
 Discussion.

EVENING, 8 O'CLOCK.

Women in Education, MAY WRIGHT SEWALL, Indiana.
 The New Education, GRACE ESPY PATTON, Colorado,
 State Supt. of Public Instruction.
 Vocal Solo, SOPHA CHURCH HALL.
 a. "When Love is Done," *Lynes*.
 b. "The Gift," *Behrend*.
 Social Changes in the South, BELLE KEARNEY, Mississippi.
 Women in Philanthropy, MARY SEYMOUR HOWELL, New York.
 Roll-call of the years.

Commencing with 1848 each year will be called, and responses
 by name and sentiment will be made by Pioneers, and by name
 only by the younger workers, at the call of the year in which each
 became identified with the woman suffrage cause.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16th.

MORNING, 10 O'CLOCK.

Report of Committee on Press Work, JESSIE J. CASSIDY, Chairman.
 Report of Committee on Autographs, MARY BENTLEY THOMAS, Chairman.
 Report of Headquarters Work, CARRIE CHAPMAN CATT.
 Report of Committee on Course of Study, CARRIE CHAPMAN CATT,
 Chairman.
 Report of Treasurer, HARRIET TAYLOR UPTON.
 Report of Committee on Organization, CARRIE CHAPMAN CATT, Chairman.

AFTERNOON, 2.30 O'CLOCK.

Memorial Hour.
 Resolutions offered by CLARA BEWICK COLBY.
 Report of Committee on Plan of Work, MARIANA W. CHAPMAN, Chairman.

Short Address by State President Massachusetts National,
LAVINA A. HATCH, *Proxy*.

EVENING, 8 O'CLOCK.

United States Citizenship, ISABELLA BEECHER HOOKER, Conn.
A Glimpse of the Past and the Present,
CAROLINE HALLOWELL MILLER, Maryland.
Fifty Years in Medicine, DR. CLARA MARSHALL, Penna.,
Dean of the Woman's Medical College.
The Ministry of Religion as a Calling for Women,
REV. FLORENCE BUCK, Ohio.
Women in the Legal Profession,
ELLA KNOWLES HASKELL, Montana.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17th.

MORNING, 9 O'CLOCK.

Called Meeting of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE on Stage of Theatre.

10 O'CLOCK.

Report of Committee on Federal Suffrage,
SARAH CLAY BENNETT, Chairman.
Report of Committee on Legislation,
LILLIE DEVEREUX BLAKE, Chairman.
Report of Committee on Resolutions.

AFTERNOON, 2.30 O'CLOCK.

Work Conference.
An Ideal State Association.
How to Secure Thorough Organization.
How to Raise Funds.
General Discussion.

EVENING, 8 O'CLOCK.

Women in the Departmental Service of the United States,
AUGUST W. MACHEN, D. C.
Vocal Solo, GUELMA MCLEAN BAKER.
a. "Before the Daybreak," *Nevin*.
b. "Summer," *Chaminade*.

The Civil Rights of Women,
REV. FREDERIC A. HINCKLEY, Penna.
The Economic Status of Women,
CATHARINE WAUGH McCULLOCH, Illinois.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18th.

MORNING, 10 O'CLOCK.

Report of Committee on Presidential Suffrage,
HENRY B. BLACKWELL, Chairman.
Report of Committee on Tennessee Exposition,
LAURA CLAY, Chairman.
Report of Committee on Credentials.
Election of Officers.
Invitations received for 31st Annual Convention.

AFTERNOON, 2.30 O'CLOCK.

The Relation of the N. A. W. S. A. to the National Council of
Women, MAY WRIGHT SEWALL, Pres. N. C. W.
Woman's Demand for Freedom; its Influence upon the World
(Paper), MATILDA JOSLYN GAGE, Ill.
Short Addresses by State Presidents:
West Virginia, FANNIE WHEAT.
Maine, LUCY HOBART DAY.
Minnesota, CONCHETA FERRIS LUTZ.
Mississippi, BELLE KEARNEY, *Proxy*.
Montana, ELLA KNOWLES HASKELL.
Virginia, ORRA LANGHORNE.
Arkansas, KATE CUNNINGHAM, *Proxy*.
Delaware, MARGARET W. HOUSTON, *Proxy*.
District of Columbia, { ELLEN POWELL THOMPSON.
J. MINNIE HOLM.
Rhode Island, Rev. ANNA GARLIN SPENCER, *Proxy*.
South Carolina, VIRGINIA D. YOUNG.

EVENING, 8 O'CLOCK.

Marriage in the Light of Woman's Freedom,
CLARA NEYMANN, New York.
The Progress of Colored Women, MARY CHURCH TERRELL, D. C.
The Norsk Kvindestemmeretsforening,
ELIZABETH LANGE AUS, Norway.

The Work of Swedish Women in America, EMMY C. EVALD, III.
Women in Municipalities, LILLIE DEVEREUX BLAKE, N. Y.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19th.

MORNING, 10 O'CLOCK.

Greetings from Foreign Suffrage Associations.
Report of Congressional Committee,

ELLEN POWELL THOMPSON, Chairman.
Report of Committee on Revision of Constitution,
ALICE STONE BLACKWELL, Chairman.

AFTERNOON, 2.30 O'CLOCK.

Short Addresses by State Presidents:

Louisiana,
Maryland,
Michigan,
Georgia,
Kansas,
Kentucky,
New Jersey,
New Mexico,
North Carolina,
North Dakota,
Ohio,
Colorado,
Washington,

CAROLINE E. MERRICK.
MARY BENTLEY THOMAS.
EMILY B. KETCHAM, *Proxy*.
MRS. S. A. GRESHAM, *Proxy*.
JENNIE ROBB MAHER, *Proxy*.
EUGENIA B. FARMER, *Proxy*.
JENNIE D. DE WITT, *Proxy*.
HON. H. B. FERGUSON, *Proxy*.
HELEN MORRIS LEWIS.
HELEN DE LENDRECIE, *Proxy*.
REV. HENRIETTA G. MOORE, *Proxy*.
ALBERTA TAYLOR, *Proxy*.
GRACE ISAACS, *Proxy*.

EVENING, 8 O'CLOCK.

History of our Work with Congress,
Equal Suffrage in Wyoming,
Some Results of Equal Suffrage in Colorado,

CLARA BEWICK COLBY, Nebraska.
ESTELLE REEL.

Equal Suffrage in Utah,

Closing Address by the President,

HON. MARTHA A. B. CONINE,
Member of State Legislature.
HON. MARTHA HUGHES CANNON,
Member of State Senate.
SUSAN B. ANTHONY.

MEETINGS OF THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE.

Adams, Mass., July 25, 1897.

Present, Susan B. Anthony, Rev. Anna Howard Shaw, Rachel Foster Avery, Alice Stone Blackwell, Harriet Taylor Upton and Carrie Chapman Catt.

The President, Miss Anthony, occupied the chair.

It was voted that each member of the Committee should present at its first meeting all topics that she wished to have discussed; and a list of the subjects to be voted upon at subsequent meetings was made out accordingly.

Letters were read from Catharine Waugh McCulloch, Laura Clay, Auditors of the N. A. W. S. A.; Etta A. Rowland, State Superintendent of Franchise for South Dakota; Anna R. Simmons, President of South Dakota E. R. A.; Bessie Isaacs Savage, President of Washington E.S.A.; and W. C. Deming.

JULY 26, 1897.

Miss Anthony in the chair.

The Treasurer's semi-annual report up to June 30th, and estimate for the rest of the year, was read by Mrs. Upton, and accepted.

The report of the Organization Committee was given by Mrs. Catt.

It was voted that a series of conferences be held under the auspices of the Organization Committee, the funds raised at these meetings to be used by that Committee.

It was voted that the Association pay the expenses of entertaining the foreign delegates at the Jubilee Convention, and that the Program Committee be authorized to proceed with the preparations for that Convention on a scale in accordance with an estimated expense of \$3,500.

It was voted that a statement be sent by the Business Committee to Frances E. Willard, as President of the N. W. C. T. U. and editor-in-chief of the "Union Signal," in regard to the "Union Signal's" action in the matter of Clara C. Hoff-

man's letter, relative to the California campaign, and that Mrs. Catt and Miss Blackwell prepare the statement.

It was voted that the "National Suffrage Bulletin" be no longer sent to the dollar members of the N. A. W. S. A. on account of recent postal legislation.

It was voted that classes formed to pursue our Course of Study within organizations already paying dues to some national society, may be excused from paying dues to the Suffrage Association.

It was voted that the Program Committee correspond with Margaret Livingstone Chanler, and authorize her to arrange for parlor meetings in Washington during the next Convention.

It was voted that the person getting out the Minutes be authorized to do whatever is found possible in the way of securing advertising.

EVENING.

Miss Anthony in the chair.

It was voted that the Course of Study Committee arrange a list of books suitable for libraries, marking the first five books as the most important; and that the Committee also suggest to the libraries the wisdom of securing the suffrage papers.

It was voted that the President and the Chairman of the Organization Committee answer Mrs. Savage's letter concerning the campaign in Washington.

JULY 27, 1897.

MORNING.

Miss Anthony in the chair.

Miss Cassidy's report of press work was read, and it was voted to authorize her to engage press clippings at \$5.00 per month.

It was voted to raise a loan of \$200 for the Organization Committee.

It was voted that a National Suffrage Bazar be held in the fall of 1898.

It was voted that for financial reasons, it was inexpedient to accept the offer of Mr. W. C. Deming, of Warren, Ohio, to print a monthly organ for the Association, and that Mrs. Upton so inform him.

It was voted that the Neblett bequest, when received, be divided equally between the Organization Committee and the General Treasury.

It was voted that the Organization Committee hold a series of conventions in Iowa in the fall, and that, if found advisable, a month of conventions be held in South Dakota in November.

It was voted that Mrs. Upton assist Miss Anthony in the preliminary work of the Jubilee Convention, and that the President appoint a Committee to consider a program for local clubs to use in celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of the first convention.

It was voted that Mrs. Upton, Mrs. Catt and Miss Blackwell be a committee to revise the constitution, said revision to be offered for action at the Convention of 1898.

JULY 28, 1897.

MORNING.

Miss Anthony in the chair.

A letter, enclosing \$100.00 was read from Mrs. C. C. Hussey. A vote of thanks to Mrs. Hussey was passed, expressing gratitude for this contribution, and appreciation of the breadth of her sympathy shown in helping all lines of the Association's work. It was voted that this \$100.00 be put into the general treasury. The Treasurer was authorized to negotiate a loan of \$400.00 to pay the Association's debts.

It was voted that a school of methods be held in connection with the next National Convention.

The proposed letter to Miss Willard was read and corrected, and it was voted that it should be sent by the Corresponding Secretary.

The following communication was accordingly sent to Miss Willard by the Corresponding Secretary:

August 20th, 1897.

Miss Frances E. Willard,
President of the National Woman's Christian Temperance
Union, Chicago, Ill:

Dear Miss Willard :

At a meeting of the General Officers of the National American Woman Suffrage Association, held at Adams, Mass., July 28th, 1897, it was voted that the following communication be sent to you as President of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union and editor-in-chief of the "Union Signal":

Early in May a letter from Mrs. Clara C. Hoffman appeared in the "Union Signal" under the heading, "The Suffrage Defeat in California," severely criticising the management of the Suffrage Amendment Campaign in that State.

In every campaign, there is some fault-finding and some wounded feelings, and it is clear from Mrs. Hoffman's letter that some one with a grievance has given her a distorted report of the facts.

A letter correcting the errors in Mrs. Hoffman's communication was sent to the "Union Signal" by the Chairman of our National Organization Committee, who had taken an active part in the California campaign, and was thoroughly acquainted with the facts. This letter was refused publication. Arrangements were then made for its publication elsewhere. You deprecated this; and the editor of the "Union Signal" agreed to publish a condensation of the letter, warning us, however, that, if it appeared, other letters would be sure to be published attacking us, and that no further reply from us would be permitted.

The letter was, nevertheless, sent to the "Union Signal," after being severely condensed. Its publication was still delayed, and the editor of the "Union Signal" wrote us that it could not appear until August 5th, and that all the National officers of the W. C. T. U. advised against its publication.

It has been decided not to press the request for the publication of the correction, in view of the fact that three months will have passed since Mrs. Hoffman's letter appeared. The statement has been repeatedly made that the assertions quoted by Mrs. Hoffman were made in substance at the St. Louis Convention, and were not denied by those concerned. None of those concerned were present at the time. When Miss Shaw arrived at St. Louis and was told what had been said, she asked for five minutes to state the truth about the California campaign to the Executive Committee. The request was refused.

We have allowed the matter to drop, owing to the length of time that has elapsed, but we wish to enter our protest against the unfairness with which our representatives have been treated.

On behalf of the General Officers,

(Signed) RACHEL FOSTER AVERY,
Corresponding Secretary.

EVENING.

Miss Anthony in the chair.

The proposed amendments to the constitution were considered.

JULY 29, 1897.

Miss Anthony in the chair.

It was decided that Miss Anthony's article from the "Arena," reprinted in pamphlet form, should be sold at five cents apiece, or twenty-five cents a dozen.

MINUTES

OF THE

Thirtieth Annual Convention

OF THE

National American Woman Suffrage Association.

PRELIMINARY BUSINESS COMMITTEE MEETINGS.

On Friday, Saturday and Sunday, February 11th, 12th and 13th, the Business Committee held a series of six meetings at the Regent Hotel, Washington, D. C., and discussed many important matters of business, without, however, taking formal action upon them.

Monday, February 14, 1898.

9 A. M.

OPENING EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING.

The President, Miss Anthony, in the chair.

The Treasurer presented the case of the delinquent States. It was voted to adhere to the resolution previously adopted, that States whose dues were not paid by January 1st should lose their votes.

Mrs. Upton reported as follows for the Committee on keeping up the interest in the enfranchised States, and the report was discussed :

In November, 1896, your Business Committee, in session in New York City, appointed a Committee on Enfranchised States, consisting of Mrs. Upton, Miss Shaw and Mrs. Avery.

This Committee was instructed to ascertain, if possible, why the women of enfranchised States do not keep up their original interest in the N. A. W. S. A., and to formulate some plan whereby the mother Association could have the benefit of the suffrage sentiment in those States. The Committee proceeded to correspond with women in those States. They urged upon them the necessity of keeping up their organizations after they themselves were free, and begged of them to uphold the Association financially and morally until all women of all States were free. Several plans were proposed. Only one seemed to meet with any approval. This provided that the delegates from the enfranchised States compose an Upper House, those from the disfranchised a Lower. Another plan proposed was that of making the basis of representation for the enfranchised States on the dollar membership. This would allow one delegate for every 25 dollar members. Neither of these propositions has been brought before the Association. It seems very difficult either to arouse the women of the enfranchised States to their duty, or the women of the disfranchised States to the gravity of the situation. This question is a serious one, because if the Association is to lose a State from active work just as soon as it is enfranchised, the time will come when, by our own efforts, instead of gaining strength we will lose it.

10.30 A. M.

The Convention was called to order by the President, Miss Anthony, who made the introductory address.

The roll call by the Recording Secretary showed representatives of twenty-four State societies present.

Committees were appointed as follows :

Finance—Mary G. Hay, chairman, with power to choose her own assistants. She afterward chose Metie Laub Romans, of Iowa; Mrs. C. B. Cary, of New York; Emily B. Ketcham, of Michigan, and Beda S. Sperry, of California.

Credentials—Harriet Taylor Upton, Catharine Waugh McCulloch, Lavinia A. Hatch.

Courtesies—Ellen Powell Thompson, May Wright Sewall, Laura A. Gregg and Edith D. Harris.

Rev. Anna Howard Shaw gave her report as Vice-President-at-large.

Rachel Foster Avery, Corresponding Secretary, reported as follows :

The work done in my office this year has included the editing and publishing of the Minutes of the Des Moines Convention, the securing of manuscripts for the Political Equality Series of leaflets, the correspondence necessary for the preparation of the special program for the Congressional hearings, the preparation of the program for this Convention, and the necessary correspondence with State Officers in regard to the general work.

All these things report themselves, and there is no need, therefore, of taking the valuable time of the Convention, but I do wish to make an explanation in connection with the Minutes of the last Convention.

The Business Committee having deemed it advisable to set a definite limit to the sum which should be expended for their publication it became necessary to cut our garment to suit our cloth. In doing this I had to use the blue pencil in a manner which was no more agreeable to my feelings than to those who had with great care prepared the reports of their respective State Associations and Committees.

MONDAY, FEB. 14, 1898.

2 P.M.

Miss Anthony occupied the chair.

The following State Reports were presented : California, Mary A. Swift ; Illinois, Eva Munson Smith ; Iowa, Julia Clark Hallam ; New York, Mariana W. Chapman ; Missouri, Ella Harrison ; Nebraska, Clara Bewick Colby (Mrs. Colby gave part of her time to Irene Hernandez and Nettie L. Cronkhite) ; Pennsylvania, Lucretia L. Blankenburg ; Massachusetts, Henry B. Blackwell.

Hon. Martha A. B. Conine gave a greeting from Colorado.

Harriet Taylor Upton made a partial report for the Credentials Committee.

Victoria Conkling Whitney objected to the acceptance of that portion of the report which related to Missouri.

It was voted that the partial report be accepted, and the Committee continued.

4 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING AT HOTEL REGENT.

Rev. Anna Howard Shaw occupied the chair.

Carrie Chapman Catt explained the situation in Washington and South Dakota where suffrage amendments are pending. The Washington E. S. A. had written that it was able and willing to carry on its own campaign. The South Dakota E. S. A. desired help.

Anna R. Simmons presented the case of South Dakota.

Mrs. Catt, to bring the question before the meeting, moved that the N. A. W. S. A. become responsible for \$5,000 to carry on the campaign in South Dakota.

After discussion, Mary A. Swift moved, as an amendment, that the N. A. W. S. A. try to raise \$5,000 for South Dakota, and also to help Louisiana and the other States.

Miss Clay moved as an amendment to the amendment (which was accepted by Mrs. Swift) that, because of the Constitutional Convention now in session at New Orleans, the first \$500 raised be used for Louisiana, if needed.

It was voted to postpone the further consideration of the subject till 9 a.m., Friday 17th.

Miss Clay stated that Rachel Foster Avery, who had served as Corresponding Secretary for many years, and whose services were felt to be invaluable, had declared herself to be under the necessity of retiring from that office, owing to straitened

finances. On motion of Miss Clay, it was voted unanimously that the Corresponding Secretary for the coming year be a paid officer.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14.

8 P.M.

The President, Miss Anthony, made a very brief address in opening the public sessions of the Convention, and then introduced Mrs. Colby to read a paper by the honorary President, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, "Our Defeats and our Triumphs."

Virginia D. Young, President of the South Carolina W. S. A., presented amid repeated applause, "A Voice from South Carolina," which was followed by an address by Rev. Antoinette Brown Blackwell on "The Changing Phases of Opposition." The President introduced Rev. Blackwell suitably as our first ordained woman minister.

Joseph H. Douglass, the grandson of Frederick Douglass, delighted the audience by his fine rendering of two solos on the violin.

The closing address of the evening was by Frances Stewart Mosher, A.M., upon "Women in Church Philanthropies," upon which Mrs. Mosher is well qualified to speak with authority, owing to her long connection with and activity in this line of public work.

Tuesday, February 15, 1898.

MORNING.

The Congressional Hearings of this Jubilee year were of unusual interest and importance, and the printed reports of them give us documents of great value in the work.

Instead of acting in accordance with the usual custom and dividing the time of the Hearings before the two Committees among delegates from the States represented in the Conven-

tion, a plan, originated by Mrs. Catt, was accepted by the Business Committee more than a year ago. A definite division of the subject was made, and it was decided to present before the Senate Special Committee on Woman Suffrage the philosophy of the movement, and before the Judiciary Committee of the House of Representatives the practical workings of the suffrage wherever exercised by women. Topics were arranged in a definite order, and speakers invited to prepare papers of such a length that all could easily be presented in the limited time of the Committee Hearings.

In the Senate Hearing, Chairman of the Committee Berry, of Arkansas, presided, and Rev. Anna H. Shaw, Vice-President-at-large, presented the speakers, and made the closing remarks.

In the House Hearing, Chairman Henderson, of Iowa, presided and Susan B. Anthony presented the speakers and closed with appropriate words a hearing which brought together for almost the first time in the history of woman suffrage hearings, fourteen out of the fifteen members of the Judiciary Committee, and which all pronounced to be of unusual interest and value to our cause. The programs are given below :

HEARING BEFORE THE SENATE.

Rev. Anna Howard Shaw, Presiding.

Nature of a Republican Form of Government.

Wm. Lloyd Garrison, Massachusetts.

Read by Rachel Foster Avery.

Fitness of Women to Become Citizens from the Standpoint of Education and Mental Development,

May Wright Sewall, Indiana.

Fitness of Women to Become Citizens from the Standpoint of Moral Development,

Rev. Anna Garlin Spencer, Rhode Island.

Fitness of Women to Become Citizens from the Standpoint of Physical Development.

Need of the Ballot for Women as Industrial Factors, Kentucky. Laura Clay.

Read by Mary A. Swift, Illinois. Florence Kelley.

Need of the Ballot for Women as Capitalists and Taxpayers, Mariana W. Chapman, New York.

Are Women Now Represented in the Government, or Can They Be?

Elizabeth Burrill Curtis, New York.

Does Woman Suffrage Jeopardize the Home and Interests of Husband and Children?

Henry B. Blackwell, Massachusetts.

Woman Suffrage from an Economic Standpoint, Harriot Stanton Blatch, England.

The Indifference and Opposition of Women, Isabella Beecher Hooker, Connecticut.

Our Defeats and Our Triumphs, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, New York.

Read by Clara Bewick Colby, Nebraska.

HEARING BEFORE THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Susan B. Anthony, Presiding.
School Suffrage and Other Limited Suffrage, Ellen H. F. Price, Pennsylvania.
Municipal Suffrage in Kansas, Read by Laura A. Gregg, Kansas.
Suffrage in Wyoming, Willis Gled.

Joseph M. Carey.

Read by Helen M. Warren, Wyoming.

Suffrage in Colorado,

Hon. Martha A. B. Conine.
Suffrage in Utah,

Hon. Martha Hughes Cannon.
Suffrage in Idaho,

Read by Rev. Henrietta G. Moore, Ohio.

Foreign Suffrage,
Helen Blackburn.

Read by Ida H. Harper.

The Indifference and Opposition of Women,
Alice Stone Blackwell, Massachusetts.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, FEBRUARY 15.

The first Work Conference of the Convention was well attended, even though there was, at the home of Mrs. John R. McLean, a reception in honor of Miss Anthony's seventy-eighth birthday, following a luncheon at which Miss Anthony was the honored guest.

Carrie Chapman Catt presided. Mrs. Catt also opened the discussion by a statement of her "Ideal State Association," after which the program was carried out as follows:

Juvenile Work,

J. Mary Pierson, Supt. Juvenile Work, New York.

PRESS WORK.

Ideal Press Work,

Jessie J. Cassidy, National Press Chairman.

Plate Work,

Paper by Elnora M. Babcock, Press Supt., New York.

Read by Jane Campbell.

How to Utilize the Press of Large Cities,

Ida H. Harper.

Improvements Over Present Methods,

Ida Porter Boyer, Chairman Press Com., Penna.

Frequent discussion was an interesting part of the meeting and it did much to acquaint the delegates present with the real work of the association.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1898.

8 P.M.

May Wright Sewall, president of the National Council of Women of the United States, opened the session by an address upon "Women in Education," giving facts and statistics which showed the immense gains of the past half century in this line, sufficient to convince even the most determined of "Antis" that the woman's cause is making progress. Grace Espy Patton, state superintendent of Public Schools of Colorado, followed in a brief address entitled "The New Education."

Sopha Church Hall, of Baltimore, delighted all who heard by her sympathetic rendering of two vocal solos.

Mary Seymour Howell, of New York, spoke upon "Women in Philanthropy," after which began the "Roll Call of the Years." Beginning with 1848 each year was called until 1860 was reached, and to almost every one of them there came a ringing response from some one present, who had at that time entered the work. Of those in attendance at the Seneca Falls Convention two were present, Mary S. Anthony and Charlotte L. Pierce, both of whom Miss Anthony presented to the audience from the platform.

From 1860 on, those who had entered into the work were asked to stand in groups, each of which represented five years, and larger and larger groups arose as the time went on. The President called upon her board of officers to give briefly the story of their entrance into the work and then Miss Anthony closed the evening with a few clear sentences, referring in

terms of grateful praise to those who had "blazed the way" for the women of to-day and sounded a call to work for all who rejoice in present advantages, that the woman who is to come may enter into the kingdom of full political equality with her brother.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1898.

11 P.M.

BUSINESS COMMITTEE MEETING.

Miss Anthony in the chair.

It was voted that this year the chief effort to raise money be made for the Organization work, and that Mrs. Catt make the appeal in such a way as seems to her best.

Wednesday, February 16, 1898.

10 A.M.

Miss Anthony in the chair.

The report of the Committee on Press Work was given by its chairman, Jessie J. Cassidy, and accepted.

REPORT OF PRESS COMMITTEE.

The work of the Press Committee came into my hands in May, 1897. The plan of issuing an article each week has been continued, with the exception of one week at holiday time. Seven hundred copies were made weekly throughout the summer and fall, and since January 1st 1000 copies have been made each week. Since May there have been about 30,000 articles sent out from Headquarters, a small reserve of each edition being kept in the office. The articles are sent to all except the four equal suffrage States and the following eight: Georgia, Indiana, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Oregon, Tennessee, Vermont and Washington, in none of which has it yet been possible to secure a State press superintendent. We have an active corps of thirty-seven State and territorial press superintendents.

The press work has been best developed in Pennsylvania, New York and Iowa. Pennsylvania now sends articles to 265 papers, all secured by persistent work on the part of the state superintendent. New York sends out fifty articles furnished by this committee, and considerable plate matter is prepared independently by the State superintendent. New York has put more money into press work than any other state and feels that it is money well expended. The plate method is expensive, but there is no difficulty in getting papers both to accept and use the matter when supplied in this way.

In connection with the campaign in Iowa, carried on by the chairman of the Committee on Organization, a special effort was made to enlarge the press work in that State. A letter explaining methods of doing work in small towns, enclosing a sample article for trial, and asking for the prompt appointment of a press committee, was sent in June to every club in Iowa. This effort brought in forty-seven new local press committees. With the beginning of this year, the Iowa State press superintendent has inaugurated a new plan of work for her State. She secures special matter from Iowa people, and has already very largely increased the weekly publication of suffrage items.

In other States the conditions are less favorable, and the workers fewer, consequently the press work is not yet so well started. The State superintendents, however, are equally faithful and devoted to the work, and have maintained a steady effort and secured some new ground.

There is no way of reporting what proportion of the matter sent out from Headquarters is actually published. Doubtless much of it finds its way to the waste-basket instead of the typesetter. Several reasons have been given for the failure of editors to publish articles. The matter may not suit the editor; it may be too strong suffrage gospel, or, as in one case, it may not be strong enough for him; it may not be in accordance with his personal taste or not in the style of his paper, or he may not have room to spare, or may not wish to be at the expense of having the type set. He cannot be forced to use our material, and there is no way in which the national chairman can keep track of all the papers, to find out how many

The national press work this year has cost the Association \$94.40. This has been expended in supplies for the mimeograph, \$54.20, and in postage on the weekly articles and on letters written by myself, \$40.20. While this amount is not large as a money outlay, there is room for question if as much good is accomplished as ought to be for the time, energy and money consumed.

The report of the Headquarters work was presented by Mrs. Catt, as follows, and was accepted with thanks:

HEADQUARTERS REPORT.

The Headquarters were removed to New York on April 1st, and were united with the organization office, the removal being recommended in the interests of economy. The rent is \$550 per year, of which the Course of Study, through Mrs. Southworth, has paid \$100, the Organization Committee \$200, and the general treasury \$250. Half of one clerk's time has been devoted to the duties pertaining to the Headquarters. The Headquarters work has consisted of directing, wrapping and mailing the Political Equality Series of Leaflets and the National Bulletin once a month; the printing and mailing of the press articles weekly; the sale of supplies, the bookkeeping of all Headquarters accounts, the mailing of literature, and the correspondence of a general nature which comes into the office. The cost of Headquarters since April 1st, including rent and clerk hire, incidentals and expense of press work, has been approximately \$600. The itemized account of each article placed on sale has been submitted to the treasurer, by whom the expense account of the Headquarters has been reported.

The report of the Course of Study Committee was presented by its chairman, Mrs. Catt.

The committee appointed to draft a three years' course of study in Political Science have completed their work, and stand ready for discharge. Each year a prospectus announcing the work for the year has been sent, free of cost, to the presidents of all local clubs, to all State presidents, and to all

applying. The details of this work have thus been made so familiar that it is unnecessary to repeat them.

The Course of Study from the first has been entirely self-supporting. Occasionally it has received small loans to enable it to meet printers' bills, but has promptly returned the amount. In the three years it has received but one contribution, and that was \$100 generously contributed in 1897 by a member of the committee, Mrs. Louisa Southworth. In order that the Course of Study might pay its share of the office rent, Mrs. Southworth contributed another hundred to the general treasury towards the Headquarters rent. The Course of Study has not been able from its receipts to pay clerk hire, but it has paid for its own publications, consisting of a quarterly series with frequent supplements, and all wrapping paper, twine and postage necessary to the conduct of its correspondence and sales. Possibly the clearest understanding of the amount of work performed by this committee will be found in the record of its publications. During the three years we have published 25,000 books and pamphlets; we have purchased from publishers 3100; and have had 9000 more contributed free. We have therefore handled 37,000 books and pamphlets during the three years; of this number 15,000 are unsold in the Headquarters at New York. We estimate the value of books on hand at \$1500.

The books which have dealt with the woman question have had the largest sales. Mill's Subjection, a book of the first year's course, has demanded a second edition of 1000 copies. The little book prepared by Miss Jessie J. Cassidy, "The Legal Status of Woman," also met with a warm welcome, and in the past nine months, without any special effort, 800 copies have been sold. Many well-known names of persons outside our ranks are to be found on our order-books for this pamphlet. In addition to our regular sales, many copies of pamphlets dealing with woman suffrage have been given away in response to requests for free literature, where there was no other means of supplying the need.

The Course of Study has tended to solidify local organization, to increase membership, and to awaken broader interest in political affairs. Indirectly, it has supplied a pressing need

for suffrage literature without cost. At no time has it been a burden, financially or otherwise; but it has proved a distinct advantage, and has steadily aided the objects of the Association.

The Committee on Course of Study have conscientiously striven to give the public the best possible course that could be obtained for a small amount of money. We have at times been obliged, in the interest of cheapness, to make selections not quite to our liking, and believe better books may be found in new publications which may be substituted to advantage. We are unanimous in recommending the appointment of another committee who shall serve three years. It will be the duty of this Committee to revise the Course, keep it "up to date," and continue the quarterly publications. We believe the appointment of such a committee is imperatively demanded by the nature of the work.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

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| Cash on hand January 16th, 1897 | \$39 64 | |
| Contributed by Mrs. Southworth | 100 00 | |
| Received from book sales | 766 40 | |
| Cash to publishers .. | | \$448 02 |
| Cash to printers | | 408 90 |
| Stamps, postals, 2d class postage, money orders . . . | | 25 29 |
| Incidentals, paper, twine, etc | | 16 42 |
| Cash on hand Feb. 1st, 1898 | | 7 41 |
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| | \$906 04 | \$906 04 |
| Liabilities: | | |
| Due on publication of books | | \$48 00 |
| Assets: | | |
| Books on hand | \$1,500 00 | |

Mary Bentley Thomas made her report as chairman of the Committee on Autographs.

Mrs. Gifford, of Chautauqua County, N. Y., fraternal delegate from the State Grange, told how a young lady from Bos-

ton secured equal rights for women in the National Grange. A vote of thanks was passed to that young lady.

Rev. Amanda Deyo, Dr. Sarah Rogers Eavenson and David Ferris were introduced as fraternal delegates, bringing a greeting from the Universal Peace Union. It was received with thanks.

Mrs. Harriet Taylor Upton presented the treasurer's report, which was accepted with thanks, and with a special vote of thanks to the young clerks for the large amount of faithful work done by them.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Financial Report is really the key to the condition of the work of the whole Association.

For the last seven years the treasury has shown, each year, a financial gain.

Our receipts for 1897 were \$14,055.13, and our disbursements \$13,503.42, leaving a balance of \$551.71.

Our Organization Committee has an indebtedness of \$140 and the other departments \$777.01. The balance of \$551.71, therefore, is not balance above debt, but it was held in the treasury to meet the many expenses of the convention, which had to be paid in advance.

At the last convention it was reported that Mrs. Eliza Murphy, of New Jersey, had left by will \$500 to our Association. This bequest has been paid. During the summer Mrs. Viola Neblett, of South Carolina, bequeathed the Association \$500. However, her will was contested, and her affairs are not yet settled. Undoubtedly the Association will receive this amount, as the contesting parties are each anxious that her wishes in this direction be carried out.

None of us can fail to remember the annual discussion on the admission of delinquent States to the convention. At the close of each convention for three years prior to 1897, the Executive Committee voted not to admit States whose dues had not been paid before the beginning of the new year. At the opening of each following convention this vote was rescinded;

so that, although the States were threatened throughout the year by the treasurer and the corresponding secretary with the danger of their delinquency, the threat amounted to nothing. However, at the last convention, the Executive Committee refused to reconsider its vote, and delegates from delinquent States sat in that convention divested of voting power. The Executive Committee held to this ruling in spite of the fact that among these delegates were those from the two newly enfranchised States, Utah and Idaho. The wisdom of this ruling is apparent, since this year fewer States are delinquent than ever before.

Our Association should pledge itself this year to raise \$23,000. This would pay our indebtedness, and leave \$20,000 for the prosecution of the work of the Association. It will enable the Organization Committee to carry on its work, which is the vital work of the Association, will enable us to enlarge the Press work, which is second only to the Organization Work, and will enable us to develop the work at Headquarters and provide for the office expenses of the Business Committee.

Thousands and thousands of people in these United States believe that in granting political rights to women, women will become wiser, men will become better, and humanity will be uplifted. But these same people sit with folded hands doing nothing to accomplish this reform. It is not the opponents who keep obnoxious laws on the statute books, but it is the fault of indifferent believers—those who know the right, and do nothing to bring about that right.

What is it which really satisfies? It is not wealth, it is not position, it is not political achievement. It is the serving of one's generation. It is the giving of part of one's real self to the betterment of mankind.

A telegram was read from Mrs. Duniway, announcing that the Supreme Court of Oregon had sustained the constitutionality of the law giving school suffrage to women.

Miss Shaw announced that a telegram had been received from the San Francisco Examiner, asking Miss Anthony to send a birthday greeting to the women of California.

The annual report of the Organization Committee was given by its chairman, Mrs. Catt:

ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

It is a pleasure to report 1897 as the most prosperous and satisfactory of the three years since the National Organization work began. In 1895 the receipts were in round numbers \$5500; in 1896, \$5800; but in 1897 the receipts very nearly doubled those of either year, having reached the sum of \$9200 exclusive of loans. An increased confidence in the work of organization has brought the increase of receipts; and the increase of funds has brought a corresponding increase in results. It is to be regretted that the inspiration, hope and cheer to be found in the details of the year's work cannot be crowded into the brief summary of work permissible at this convention, for it is only through an acquaintance with the contents of our letter files and records that an adequate knowledge can be obtained of the awakening of thought, the enlistment of new and valiant soldiers in our army, and the active, permanent organizations which have been effected during the year.

The year's work offers fresh proof, if proof were needed, that if all the States can be taught to unite their efforts in national organization, thus turning a share of their united funds first into one State and then another, until each and all have grown strong, progressive and self-reliant, we shall surely be rewarded in the near future by the speedy establishment of political freedom for women. Persistence, courage, harmony, co-operation and loyalty to our common cause, are the qualities to be fostered, and the victory will come as surely as day follows night and the sunshine follows the storm.

Our work for the year has been confined to the south and west. There remained a few southern states which, while possessing scattered local clubs, had not yet arrived at the dignity of holding a State convention. Their State officers were appointed, not elected. Among these were Mississippi and Tennessee. Mississippi had frequently pleaded for help, and the Exposition at Nashville offered an opportune time for work in Tennessee. A three months' tour was therefore made

in Mississippi, in which all the more important towns of the State were visited, and lectures given. At the close, a convention was held at Meridian, where a constitution was adopted and a corps of officers, who promise to "faint not and falter not," were elected. In Tennessee, a two months' tour was effected, closing with a convention at Nashville, in connection with the "Woman's Day," at the Exposition. It was largely attended, and several prominent southern women from neighboring States were fraternal delegates. Here, also, a constitution was adopted and officers elected. Local organization is not strong in these two States, but officers of the right sort are at the head, and these two State organizations may be safely depended upon for the future. En route to Mississippi, our workers made a three weeks' tour of Missouri.

According to the Plan of Work of last convention, the most thorough work of the year has been done in Iowa. In ninety-seven of the ninety-nine counties two days' conventions have been held, for which we supplied a manager, who presided over the sessions and attended to the work of organizing and money-raising. For the evening sessions different speakers were provided, while the day sessions were largely occupied by local talent. The conventions were overlapping, so that with two speakers and two managers, five conventions were held each week. The results have taught us that this form of a county convention is more successful than anything yet attempted to extend sentiment, make converts and effect stable organization. If experience counts for anything, the plan will become a fixed and favorite one for the future. In Iowa, individual workers supplemented the work of the conventions and canvassed the smaller towns in those localities where sentiment was weakest with lectures and organization wherever possible. One worker was employed in this manner for six months. The State Association of Iowa had performed valiant pioneer work for many years past, and already had a fair organization when we began, clearly ranking as one of the best of the State associations. The campaign under the National Organization Committee has added eighty county organizations and one hundred new clubs, which at this time are alive and active. As a result of the year's campaign the State has paid the largest

dues of any State in the whole history of our Association, being an increase of 181 per cent. over the dues paid last year. As an even better result, the State has opened headquarters in a business block in Des Moines, with a secretary in charge, whose duty it is to continue the organization of the state. This consummation should be reached by every State before it should covet an amendment campaign.

A month in Illinois was devoted to similar conventions, and six weeks were given to work in South Dakota.

During the year we have sent representatives to the Delaware Constitutional Convention and to the Oklahoma Legislature, and have provided literature for the legislative work of six states.

In November five National Conferences were held, in which national officers, including the president, vice-president and chairman of Organization Committee met in council with the State Executive Committee. The conferences were of two days' duration, with public meetings each afternoon and evening. They were held in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan and Ohio. Summing up the work of the year, 1000 public meetings, including 164 county conventions, 2 State conventions and 5 National Conferences, have been held directly under our auspices. Two new State organizations have been effected, 113 county organizations and 110 local clubs.

Not alone has the Organization Office arranged for this field work, but, in addition, it has conducted an immense correspondence in which answers have been sent to all sorts of inquiries; instructions to local clubs, suggestions to workers, directions for organization, and sundry kinds of information to seekers for light. The constant effort cannot fail to bind these suffragists in closer union and to strengthen our organization. Ten thousand two-cent letters and four thousand one-cent circulars have been written and mailed during the year from our office, or on an average of forty-five letters for each working day. This account of correspondence does not include Headquarters or Course of Study letters, which are kept separate.

Although the receipts have been nearly twice as large as those of any previous year, we were forced to close our books on January 1st with debts amounting to over \$1400. At the close

of the spring work there were \$1000 in obligations unpaid, and the matter was carefully laid before the Business Committee, and their opinion requested as to the advisability of stopping the work and devoting the fall to raising the money due. It was the opinion of the committee that, inasmuch as the series of conventions had been promised to Iowa, they must, for honor's sake, be completed; while the amendment in South Dakota seemed to necessitate preliminary work in that state. Our president, who never loses faith in our cause or our Association, came to the rescue, offering to loan \$800 to pay outstanding obligations. \$200 more were borrowed from the Sewall Fund through William Lloyd Garrison, and all debts were paid. The Garrison note was paid when due, but it was necessary to extend the Anthony note for a longer period. The remaining sum was due to organizers and printers. It is not at all strange that expenses and receipts did not meet on an equality at the end of the year, since it is impossible, on the one hand, to estimate accurately the cost of any undertaking of field work, and equally impossible, on the other, to know what funds are at our disposal. There is nothing discouraging in this outcome, save that these obligations of the last year will have to be met by the receipts of the coming year. Of necessity, the uncertainty of the annual organization income prevents as intelligent planning as otherwise would be possible; yet when we consider the adverse conditions, the results have been all we should expect.

If I were asked to name the chief cause obstructing thorough organization, I should not hesitate to reply: The chief obstacle is not to be found in societies opposed to the extension of suffrage to woman, nor in ignorance or conservatism; it is to be found in that large body of suffragists who believe that suffrage will come, but that it will come in some unaccountable way without effort or concern upon their part. It is to be found in the hopeless, lifeless, faithless members of our own organization. These are to be found in all our ranks. We find them at times the officers of local clubs, and the clubs die upon their hands. We find them in State Executive Committees, and there, appalled by the magnitude of the undertaking they decide that organization is impossible because there is no money;

and they make no effort to secure funds. They are to be found in our National body, ready to find fault with plans and results and to criticise conscientious efforts of those who are struggling to accomplish good, yet they are never ready to propose more helpful methods. In short, we find them everywhere, doing practically nothing themselves, but "throwing cold water" upon every effort inaugurated by others. "It cannot be done" is their motto, and by it they constantly discourage the hopeful and extract all enthusiasm from new workers. Judging from the intimate knowledge of the condition of our Association gained in the past three years, I am free to say that these are our most effective opponents to-day, and without a question the best result of the three years' work is to be found in the gradual strengthening of belief in the possibility of organization. These apathetic ones, while not so well awake as we might wish, are beginning to evince symptoms of coming to life. Several State organizations have grown impatient, and elected new officers who promise a more vigorous policy; and all along the line, new hope, new strength and new possibilities have been awakened. Therefore, let us resolve to encourage any criticism offered with the intention of replacing present methods by wiser and better ones, but let us frown upon every member who brings to our work nothing but aimless faultfinding, and let us banish from our suffrage vocabulary the word "can't." Let our watchword be "Organization and Union;" our motto, "Eternal Vigilance," and our inspiration the righteousness of our cause.

Mrs. Catt made an earnest appeal for the organization work. A statement was then made of the Association's debts, and an appeal for funds with which to pay them and to carry on the work of the coming year.

Mrs. Mary A. Swift, president of the California W. S. A. promised \$500 in behalf of her state.

Mrs. M. W. Chapman pledged \$500 for New York. Miss Emily Howland pledged \$300.

It was announced that Mrs. C. C. Hussey, of New Jersey,

who was not present, had promised \$100. Both Miss Anthony and Mrs. Catt paid a tribute to her as a generous and faithful giver.

Mrs. Helen de Lendrecie, of North Dakota, pledged \$200 personally.

Dr. Haines promised that Minnesota should contribute \$1 per member.

New York raised its pledge to \$600.

Miss Ella Harrison pledged \$100 for Missouri.

Mrs. Carrie Andres pledged \$200 for Massachusetts, and Mrs. Martha Atkins promised \$100 individually.

Mrs. Caroline E. Merrick, of Louisiana, promised \$100.

Mrs. Eva Munson Smith: Illinois has pledged \$100 for the South Dakota campaign, and will try to make it \$500.

Mrs. Day: Maine will contribute \$100 for the running expenses of the Association.

Mrs. Harriet B. Stanton: I have come here uninstructed, but I will pledge \$100 for Ohio.

Mrs. Ellen Powell Thompson: The District of Columbia W. S. A. has voted \$50, and individuals will raise it to \$100.

Mrs. Blankenburg: Pennsylvania pledges \$150, and will raise more if possible.

Mrs. Emily B. Ketcham, of Michigan: \$25 for the National Press Bureau.

Mrs. Cranston: \$30 in behalf of Delaware.

Mrs. Thomas: \$25 for Maryland.

Mrs. Louise Mosher James (Miss Anthony's niece): I will add \$100 for Pennsylvania.

Mrs. M. W. Chapman: The New York delegation insist that \$200 more be pledged for New York.

Mrs. Atkins and Mrs. Andres promised to raise \$100 more in Massachusetts between them.

Mrs. Simmons: I will pledge \$100 for South Dakota, if the rest of the South Dakota committee are willing.

Miss Clay: Kentucky will pay back the \$50 contributed to southern work through the services of Mrs. DeVoe.

Mrs. Blankenburg: Our new delegate, Mrs. Butterfield, promises to raise \$50 in western Pennsylvania.

Mrs. Sarah Clay Bennett: \$50 more for Kentucky.

Mrs. Louise Tyler: Colorado will pay the \$60 due on last year's pledge.

Mrs. Romans: Iowa pledges \$300.

It was announced that the manager of the Sioux City (Ia.) Traction Company had sent Miss Anthony \$10 towards the expenses of the convention.

Rev. Anna Shaw asked individual women to pledge a sum to be given on the first day of each month (when most of the bills fall due) to the Organization Committee and to the general treasury. She said: "I pledge \$5 per month to each, which will be \$120 per year."

Other pledges were: Miss Hatch, for National W. S. A. of Massachusetts, \$10; Mrs. Helen P. Jenkins, personally, \$25; Miss Laura Gregg, \$25; Mrs. Clara B. Colby, \$50 for Nebraska \$5 for each of the seven local clubs in the State, and \$15 more; Mrs. DeWitt, \$1 for each member of the New Jersey W. S. A.; Mrs. Willard, of Michigan, personally, \$10; Mrs. Neymann, N. Y., \$5 per month; Miss Elizabeth Burrill Curtis, \$25; Miss Jennie Cassidy, \$10; Miss Bessie Murray, Winterset, Ia., (the youngest county president in the Association), \$25; Mrs. Gresham, Ga., \$10; Margaret Huckens, Mich., \$10; Dr. Glauner, Syracuse, N. Y., \$15 for the Association and \$10 for the Press Bureau; Mrs. Orra Langhorne, Va., \$20 for the Association; Mrs. Gilman, Bedford City, Va., personally, \$25, to be used for

work in Virginia if possible; Mrs Martha McLellan Brown, O., \$10 for the Association, and two months' work in any southern State; Miss James, a month's work in Iowa; Mrs. Peirce, of Philadelphia, and Mrs. Maher, of Kansas City, Kan., \$10 each to be used where most needed; Mrs. Mary Church Terrell, D. C., \$5; Miss Willis, Roslyn, N. Y., \$10; Mrs. Romans, in token of her appreciation of Mrs. Catt, \$5 per month; Mrs. Lange Aus, \$2 per month.

On motion of Mrs. Andres, Mrs. Catt was given a unanimous vote of thanks for her faithful work.

On motion of Mrs. Mary B. Clay, it was voted to hold an Executive Committee meeting at 4 p.m., to hear the representatives of the contesting delegations from Missouri.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1898.

2.30 P.M.

Miss Anthony in the chair.

Memorial resolutions were offered by Clara Bewick Colby, and adopted as follows:

It is fitting in this commemorative celebration to pause a moment to lay a laurel in memory's chaplet for those to whom it was given to be the earliest, in connection with this organized movement, to voice the demand that woman should be allowed to enter into the sacred heritage of liberty, as one made equally with man in the image of the Creator and divinely appointed to co-sovereignty over the earth. To name them here is to recognize their presence with us in spirit, and invoke their benediction upon this generation which, entering into the fruits of their labors, must carry them forward to full fruition.

Lucretia Mott will always be revered as one of the two women who conceived the idea of a convention to make an organized demand for justice to women. She became a Quaker preacher in 1818 at the age of 25, and the last suffrage convention she attended was in her 86th year. Her motto, "Truth for authority and not authority for truth," is still the tocsin of reform.

Martha C. Wright, Jane Hunt and Mary Ann McClintock were three of the noble seven who issued the call for the Seneca Falls Convention, and were ever ready for service. The first was one of the most active leaders for over a quarter of a century, holding the position of president of the National Suffrage Association at the time of her death.

Lucy Stone's sweet voice pleaded the wide continent over for justice for her sex. Her life-long devotion to the woman suffrage cause was idealized by the companionship and assistance of the one man in this nation who under any and all circumstances has made woman's cause his chief consideration. Her first lecture on woman's rights was given in 1847, the year of her graduation at Oberlin College. Her life work was epitomized in her dying words, "Make the world better."

Ernestine L. Rose, the beautiful Polish patriot, sent the first petition to the New York legislature to give a married woman the right to hold real estate in her own name. This was in 1836, and she continued the work of securing signatures until 1848, when the bill was passed. She was a matchless orator, and she lectured on woman suffrage for nearly fifty years and in twenty-three States of the Union.

Francis Dana Gage, better known by her pen-name "Aunt Fanny," was farmer, cooper, editor, lecturer and organizer of the Sanitary Commission. Of her eight children six were stalwart sons, and she used to boast that she was the mother of thirty-six feet of boys. She was a pillar of strength to the movement in early days.

Paulina Wright Davis, who called the first National Convention in 1850 and presided over the second decade celebration in 1870, was one of the moving spirits of the work for more than twenty-five years. She was the first to demand and receive equal pay with men on the lecture platform. Assisted by Caroline H. Dall, she edited the "Una," founded in 1853, the first distinctively woman suffrage paper.

Frances Wright, a noble Scotchwoman, in part educated in the family of General Lafayette, imbibed there a love for freedom and a knowledge of the principles on which it is based. In this land of her adoption she was the first woman to lecture on political subjects.

Among the earlier woman physicians who espoused the cause were Dr. Harriot K. Hunt, Dr. Mary B. Jackson, Dr. Ann Preston and Dr. Clemence S. Lozier, the latter being instrumental in founding the New York Medical College for women.

Sarah Helen Whitman was the first literary woman of reputation who gave her name to the movement, which later counted among its warmest friends Alice and Phoebe Cary, Jane Grey Swisshelm and Mary Clemmer.

Clarina Howard Nichols, of Vermont, is associated with the seed-sowing in her mountain State, in Wisconsin and especially in Kansas, where her labors with the first constitutional convention engrafted in organic law many rights for women obtained elsewhere, if at all, only by slow and difficult legislative changes.

Sarah Pugh, of Philadelphia, was the companion and helper of Lucretia Mott.

Josephine Griffing, organizer of the Freedman's Bureau; Amelia Bloomer, editor of the "Lily," the first temperance and woman's rights paper; Mary Grew, for nearly thirty years president of the Pennsylvania Woman Suffrage Association; Myra Bradwell, the first woman to enter the ranks of legal journalism and whose suits to be admitted to the courts of Illinois mark a distinctive feature in the progress of the movement; Virginia L. Minor, the dove with the eagle's heart, who brought to the United States Supreme Court her suit against the Missouri officials for refusing her vote, in connection with which the most momentous arguments and decisions concerning woman's rights as a citizen have been given; all these, and many more who might be added, make the noble galaxy of women who brought to the cause of woman's liberty rare personal beauty, social gifts, intellectual culture, and the all-compelling eloquence of earnestness and sincerity. Had they lived to participate in the present popularity of the woman suffrage cause, they would have been idolized by the nation; but all who study the history of the movement will recognize that the success of to-day is built on the foundations that these laid.

To name the men who have been counsellors and friends of the woman suffrage movement is to name the greatest poets,

preachers and statesmen of the last half century. Take any name which is to-day enshrined in the hearts of the people and you will find one which appears on the roll of honor in the suffrage records. Wherever there has been a woman strong enough to demand her rights there has been a man generous enough and just enough to second her. Surely we may say that "the spirits of just men made perfect" are our strength and our inspiration.

"No power can die that ever wrought for truth;
Thereby a law of Nature it became,
And lives unwithered in its sinewy youth,
When he who called it forth is but a name.

Therefore, we cannot think these wholly gone,
The better part of them is with us still;
The soul its hampering clay aside has thrown,
And only freer wrestles with the ill."

Among those intimately associated with the woman suffrage movement who during the past year have changed the plane of their activities, are the following:

Albert O. Willcox, of New York, whose eighty-seven years were filled with valuable work for reforms, was drawn to the conviction that women should have a share in the government under which they lived, by a sermon preached by Lucretia Mott in 1831, and from that time declared himself publicly for the movement and was its life-long supporter. It was his proud boast that he was the oldest woman suffragist living, and until very recently he used to attend these Washington conventions, where his fine personal appearance, alert mind and ready liberality, made him a conspicuous participant.

Emily Robinson, of Salem, Ohio, was one of the chief movers in the second woman suffrage convention, and this was held in her own town. From that time until the present year she has been unfaltering in her devotion.

Susan E. Wattles, of Mound City, Kansas, who led the campaign of 1859 with Mrs. C. H. Nichols, and with Esther Wattles, who is still living.

Dr. Susan A. Edson, who graduated in medicine in 1854, was a fellow-pioneer in the District of Columbia with Dr. Caroline B. Winslow, whose death preceded hers by about one year. She was one of the most distinguished army nurses and the friend and faithful attendant of President Garfield. For many years she was the president of the District Woman Suffrage Association, and in all the paths of life her steadfast courage trod down the briars and made it easier for young women to follow.

Amalie B. Post, of Cheyenne, to whom the enfranchisement of the women of Wyoming was largely due, was ready, as she said, at the first tap of the drum at Seneca Falls. To her was given the joy of reaching the goal and of participating in the establishment of the first genuine republic on the continent, as, in her capacity as president of the Wyoming Woman Suffrage Association, she occupied the place of honor by the side of the Governor on that proud day when the admission of Wyoming as a State was celebrated.

James G. Clark, in later years of California, the prophetic and sweet-souled troubadour of reform, sang for woman's freedom in suffrage conventions all over the land.

Abby Soule Schumacher of Akron, Ohio, was a trustee of Buchtel College. Her beautiful life was devoted to whatsoever things were lovely, but first and most of all to the suffrage work.

A. Viola Neblett of Greenville, S. C., was the first woman in her state to declare herself unreservedly for woman suffrage over her own signature in the public prints. She was a notable participant in the annual convention of this Association at Atlanta three years ago and later spent months in Columbia in the endeavor to secure the enfranchisement of women under the new constitution of South Carolina. In her last days she generously planned a bequest to this Association. In her own town her name is immortalized in the Neblett Free Library, which she founded and endowed.

Mrs. Mary McTeer was for the last three years the corresponding secretary of the Tennessee Equal Rights Association, and in this capacity and also as president of the local club of Maryville, was indefatigable in her work. By her own re-

quest the yellow and white so dear to her were intertwined over her heart, and she was borne to her rest by her beloved co-workers.

Joseph M. Dolph was always to be counted on to further the political emancipation of women, both in his own state of Oregon and in the United States senate, of which he was long an honored member.

Others whose names must be added to the roll of the immortals are: Alabama, Mrs. T. B. McCarty of Monrovia; Connecticut, Joseph H. Bissel, a valued officer of the Hartford Equal Rights Club; Illinois, Caroline A. Clowry of Chicago, and Paulina A. Batty of Tuskilwa; Indiana, Hon. Albert G. Porter and Josephine R. Nichols of Indianapolis; Kansas, Harriet Smith Cushing of Leavenworth, one of the founders of the "Soldiers' Rest" and of the Social Science Club; District of Columbia, Mary E. McPherson; Massachusetts, Maria Mott Davis of West Medford, daughter of Lucretia Mott; Mrs. E. Florence Barker of Malden; Abbie P. Cloutman of Marblehead; Sallie G. Wilber of Acushnet, almost in her 84th year; Elizabeth Hedge Webster, one of the earliest advocates of the cause; Lewis Thorpe, of Worcester; Olivia Gilbreth Hunt and Cora Wheeler of Boston; Missouri, Mrs. Sarah Coates, the pioneer of the western part of the State and president of the Kansas City W. S. A.; Nebraska, Phoebe Smith Hewins of Crawford, and Jennie Denton Sheldon, secretary of the Chadron W. S. A.; New Hampshire, Marilla M. Brewster of North Danville; Nevada, Caroline B. Norcross, an officer of the State Suffrage Association; New York, Mrs. Maude A. Humphrey of Warsaw, one of the officers of the State association; Jane Hitchcock Jones, a co-worker with Paulina Wright and Abby Kelley; Hon. Henry W. Sage, of Ithaca, who warmly espoused the cause of co-education twenty-five years ago and who built the Sage dormitory for women at Cornell University; George W. Ingraham, of Poughkeepsie, known to the scientific world as the one who conceived the possibility of a Weather Bureau, and cherished by women as the author of the first law giving married women the right to hold real and personal property, for which he labored in the New York legislature eight years.

No less entitled to remembrance and gratitude are the unnamed multitude who have helped the onward march of freedom by standing for the truth that was revealed to them. Whether they pass away in the beauty of youth, the strength of maturity or the glory of old age, they who have given to the world one impulse on the upward path to freedom and to light are not dead. They live here in the life of all good things, and, in other spheres, because of strength gained in earthly activity, have strength to perfect what here they but dreamed of.

The poet has thus beautifully linked the reformers who have passed beyond with those still in the field of struggle and those yet to be:

"O Earth! thy past is crowned and consecrated
With its reformers, speaking yet, though dead,
Who unto strife and toil and tears were fated,
Who unto fiery martyrdoms were led.

O Earth! thy present, too, is crowned with splendor
By its reformers, battling in the strife,
Friends of humanity, stern, strong and tender,
Making the world more hopeful with their life.

O Earth! thy future shall be great and glorious
With its reformers, toiling in the van,
Till truth and love shall reign o'er all, victorious,
And earth be given to freedom and to man."

The report of the Plan of Work Committee was presented by its Chairman, Mariana W. Chapman, and, with some slight changes, was adopted, as follows:

The object of this Association is tersely and explicitly stated in the second article of our Constitution. It is to secure protection in their right to vote to the woman citizens of the United States, by appropriate National and State legislation. That is the one point upon which we all unite, the point at which our chain of strength is locked. When we come to question the best method of attainment we find a diversity of sentiment, and we are fortunate to have a place for its exercise in our State organizations. It is the object of the

National Plan of Work Committee to find some clear and definite policy upon which we may present an undivided front, and to this end it presents the following recommendations:

1. That the Committee on Congressional work shall continue in charge of the introduction of suffrage measures in Congress, arrange for hearings, make such efforts as they shall deem wise to secure favorable Congressional action, and carry out all instructions of the Association in this direction.

2. That the Committee on Legislation fully inform themselves of the Statutes and Constitutions of States and Territories in relation to Woman Suffrage, and of present existing conditions, and act as a committee of advice to State Associations in the initiation of suffrage campaigns. We also recommend that it publish a leaflet in which the needed change shall be clearly defined.

3. That the Committee on Organization give special attention and co-operation in States and Territories where organization is feeble, and that it render assistance in all States where suffrage campaigns are imminent or in progress, if the State Association desire its co-operation, and it has the consent of the Business Committee.

4. Such State Associations as desire to have the assistance of a National speaker at their Annual Convention are advised to signify the same to the Committee on Organization fully three months before the desired date of the Convention, and to make the final arrangement for the date in concert with the Organization Committee.

5. That the Platform and Memorial Committee endeavor to secure a recognition of woman suffrage in the platforms of all nationally organized bodies, and memorials from them to Congress for the protection of women against State denial of the old right to vote for members of Congress and Presidential Electors by a law made in pursuance of the first section of the Fourteenth Amendment of our National Constitution, and for a conferment of a new right of exemption from discrimination in the exercise of the elective franchise, on account of sex, by the adoption of a Sixteenth Amendment to our National Constitution.

6. That the National Association continue to hold con-

ferences or conventions similar to those of the past year in Iowa and South Dakota, wherever State Associations consider them desirable and are willing to render assistance and co-operation.

7. That a month before our Annual Conventions State Presidents communicate by letter with each local club asking some pledge, however small, toward the National work in the ensuing year. The aggregate of these small amounts would be an important part of the National income.

8. That the presidents of the local clubs inform themselves of the plans of the National Course of Study Committee with a view to the adoption of such method of Political Education wherever practicable.

9. That the State Associations furnish themselves with State organizers wherever practicable, and vigorously forward their own work of organization. The increase of auxiliaries is our most important work as State entities.

10. We recommend that whenever new local clubs are formed, State officers shall send notice of such clubs to the Corresponding Secretary of the National Association, and to our National Press Superintendent, who shall be directed to forward it to our suffrage papers.

11. Finally that we shall work without criticisms of each others methods, and, as far as possible, co-operate in the National work with energy, determination, and perseverance until every Senator and Representative comes to Washington by aid of a woman's vote.

The report of the National W. S. A. of Massachusetts was given by Lavina A. Hatch.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1898.

4.30 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING.

Miss Anthony in the chair.

Victoria Conkling Whitney and Ella Harrison stated the case for the two societies in Missouri.

Catharine Waugh McCulloch moved that the two vacant places in the Missouri delegation be given to Mrs. Whitney and the other delegate from her society. Mrs. Whitney gave notice that she should not accept this, and the President ruled the motion out of order.

Clara Bewick Colby moved that neither delegation from Missouri be accepted; that the matter be for this time referred back to the two delegations, with the request that they call a union convention to form a Missouri society.

Miss Blackwell moved, as a substitute, that the action taken at the last National Convention be reaffirmed, recognizing the society of which Miss Harrison is President as the Missouri Association auxiliary to the N. A. W. S. A.

After discussion, the substitute was adopted by a vote of 35 to 10.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1898.

8 P.M.

The opening address of the evening was by Isabella Beecher Hooker upon "United States Citizenship." Mrs. Hooker held to a prepared paper for some time, but finally threw it aside as if she felt hampered by it, and spoke with her old fire and vigor, telling graphically the story of Miss Anthony's trial for voting for the President of the United States. She concluded with a stirring appeal to the young women to take up the burden of the work. Miss Anthony was deeply moved by Mrs. Hooker's presence and address, and followed it by an expression of her own deep sense of the outrage committed by this government in disfranchising such women as her friend and long co-worker, whom she designated for her eloquence "the greatest Beecher of them all." Mrs. Hooker in closing, standing arm in arm with Miss Anthony, read most impressively some prophetic lines of Whittier's, and certainly every one

who saw and heard felt a throb of sympathy for these older workers and a clearer comprehension of the earlier struggles for our cause.

A southern pioneer, Caroline Hallowell Miller, of Maryland, spoke upon "A Glimpse of the Past and the Present," contrasting the condition of things for women in her own girlhood with their great opportunities to-day.

There could have been no better introduction to the addresses of the rest of the evening than Mrs. Miller's little talk, for the professions of Medicine, the Ministry and the Law were represented each by a woman eminent in that of her choice. They were Dr. Clara Marshall, Dean of the Woman's Medical College, Pennsylvania; Rev. Florence Buck, of Ohio; and Ella Knowles Haskell, Assistant Attorney-General of Montana.

At the close Miss Anthony seemed to feel that all the older workers had had a glimpse into the "promised land," and expressed her great gratification and pride in these, her "girls," as she styled them, who were such fine representatives of the possibilities of women in such different lines. Rev. Anna Shaw claimed Rev. Florence Buck as her own particular "girl," and told an incident in Miss Buck's career when she came to her for advice, and Miss Shaw encouraged her heartily to pursue, even against seemingly overwhelming obstacles, her chosen profession.

Thursday, February 17th, 1898.

9 A.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING.

Rev. Anna Howard Shaw in the chair.

It was voted on motion of Miss Clay, that \$500, or such part of that sum as might be necessary, be used for Louisiana.

Mary G. Hay reported that the total amount pledged at the Convention on the previous day was \$4,324; of this, \$3,494 was specified as given for the Organization Fund; \$80 was specified for the General Treasury, and \$800 was unspecified.

It was voted, on motion of Mrs. Catt, that \$500, or such part of that sum as might be necessary, be appropriated to the Iowa campaign, including the \$300 pledged by Iowa.

It was voted that \$1,500 of the money given for the Organization Fund be appropriated to pay the debts of the Organization Committee.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1898.

10 A.M.

Miss Anthony occupied the chair.

The report of the Committee on Federal Suffrage was presented by its Chairman, Sarah Clay Bennett, and was accepted with thanks:

With the assistance of the other two members of the Federal Suffrage Committee, Mr. and Mrs. Root, of Michigan, I prepared an appeal to the Congressmen of this year, which I sent to every member with a written request for him to read it.

In this appeal we reminded or informed these gentlemen that the members of our National American Woman Suffrage Association had caused a memorial to be presented to the Congressmen of 1896, in which they asked them to protect white and black women equally with black men against State denial of the right to vote for members of the Congress and Electors of the President and Vice-President of the United States, by a law made in pursuance of the first section of the Fourteenth Amendment of our National Constitution in accordance with the combined *Minor vs. Happersett* and *Yarbrough* decisions of the judges of the Supreme Court of the United States.

We told them that we now asked them, the Honorable Members of the present Congress, to do white and black women this justice in the name of the National American Woman Suffrage Association.

We asked them to do this because the Judges of the Supreme Court who rendered the *Minor vs. Happersett* decision of 1875 affirmed in that decision that the constitutions and laws of the States which confined the right of suffrage to men, had been made void by the first section of the Fourteenth Amendment of our National Constitution when it said, "No State shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States," *if* the right of suffrage was one of the "necessary" privileges of citizens of the United States, and the members of their court had now indirectly affirmed that the right of suffrage was one of the necessary privileges of citizens of the United States by declaring in their *Yarbrough* decision of 1884 that the right to vote for members of the Congress and Electors of the President and Vice-President of the United States was derived from our National Constitution.

And it was easy to see that, since the Fourteenth Amendment made void the constitutions and laws of the States which confined the right of suffrage to men, it restored to women the right to vote for members of the Congress and Electors of the President and Vice-President of the United States of which they were deprived in New Jersey by a State law in 1807, and conferred upon women a right to vote for these federal officers in every other State in the Union.

The following report of the Committee on Legislation was presented by its Chairman, Lillie Devereux Blake, and was accepted with thanks:

The Chairman of the Legislative Committee reports that during the year, and especially while the State Legislatures were in session correspondence was carried on with several States, and documents and leaflets forwarded. In December last letters were sent to all the State presidents, with the requests that they forward a brief statement of the work in their own jurisdiction; the information received is embodied in the following report:

Arkansas, Clara A. McDiarmid, President: "Nothing of importance to report in Legislative work."

California, Mary A. Swift, President: "An active campaign

was carried on, beginning with pledges obtained from the members of both branches of the Legislature, and a most capable woman was in Sacramento during the entire session, but despite the fact that there were full hearings, and promises were given for more than the requisite number of votes to carry the proposed constitutional amendment, it was defeated on the final roll call."

Connecticut, Isabella Beecher Hooker, President: "No action beyond the introduction of a bill, and a Legislative hearing."

Illinois, Julia Mills Dunn, President: "A bill was introduced which exempted the property of women from taxation 'during such time as the right of suffrage is denied to them.' This, of course, resulted only in agitation. A law was passed providing that Police Matrons might be appointed in large cities, but making no provision for any salaries."

Iowa, Adelaide Ballard, President: "No legislation."

Kentucky, Laura Clay, President: "The General Assembly met in called session, and a bill extending school suffrage to women was introduced, and passed in the Senate, but lost in the House. Several measures are proposed for this year."

Maine, Mrs. Charles A. Day, President: "Efforts were made to secure municipal suffrage and a reformatory prison for women, but without result."

Maryland, Mary Bentley Thomas, President: "No action."

Michigan, May Stocking Knaggs, President: "Bills providing that there should be at least two women on the boards of all Insane Asylums, and that there should be women physicians in such institutions, were lost, but as a result of the agitation the governor appointed one woman on the board of one of the Asylums. A law providing for Police Matrons in all large cities was passed."

Missouri, Equal Suffrage Association, Ella Harrison, President: "The Supreme Court decided that women were eligible to the offices of Notary Public, County Clerk, Attorney-at-Law, and School Commissioner. A law was passed creating a State Board of Charities, and providing that some of the members should be women."

Montana, Ella Knowles Haskell, President: "No action since the defeat of the Constitutional Amendment."

Nebraska, Clara B. Colby, President: "A Constitutional Amendment, striking out the word 'male' as a qualification for voters, a bill for municipal suffrage, a bill to allow only tax payers, regardless of sex, to vote for bonds, and a bill to make husband and wife equal in the family estate were introduced, but lost."

New Mexico, Alice P. Hadley, President: "No action in Legislature of 1897."

New York, Mariana W. Chapman, President: "The State Association introduced a constitutional amendment in both Houses of the Legislature. There was a Senate hearing, but it was lost in committee. The New York City League introduced several amendments to the Charter of benefit to women, which failed because the Charter was not acted upon in time to admit of amendment. The agitation, however, resulted in the advance of salaries for several of the women employees of the city, and in the defeat or postponement of several bills inimical to the interests of women."

North Carolina, Helen Morris Lewis, President: "A petition was presented, asking that women be allowed on the school boards of the State. A hearing was granted on this, and a bill was introduced providing that women might be notaries public. Both proposed measures failed."

Ohio, Catherine McCullough Everhard, President: "No session of the Legislature."

Pennsylvania, Lucretia L. Blankenburg, President: "A bill to amend the Intestate Law in its discrimination against widows was introduced in both Houses. A hearing was granted, but the bill was lost."

Rhode Island, Elizabeth Buffum Chace, President: "A commission to revise the constitution was appointed, and gave a hearing to advocates of woman suffrage. A clause was introduced permitting women to vote at all ward, town and city elections, but failed of action."

South Carolina, Virginia D. Young, President: "Full property rights have been secured to women, and the State Librarian is a woman."

South Dakota, Anna R. Simmons, President: "The Legislature of 1897 passed a constitutional amendment to be submitted to the voters this fall."

Virginia, Orra Langhorne, President: "No Legislative action."

West Virginia, Fannie J. Wheat, President: "Three bills of interest to women were passed; one establishing an Industrial Home for Girls, one for the prevention of cruelty to children, and one for a Home for Incurables."

No replies to letters were received from Delaware, Georgia, Idaho, Kansas, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Oklahoma, Oregon, Tennessee, Texas, Washington, or Wisconsin. Although in some of these States your chairman knew that there had been Legislative action, yet as no official information has been received, and therefore errors of statement might be made, it was deemed best to make no report from these Associations.

Orra Langhorne announced that in Virginia the bill to allow women to be notaries public had passed both branches of the Legislature.

A greeting was announced from the National Convention of Stenographers in Chicago.

Rachel Foster Avery reported the recommendation of the Business Committee that a National Suffrage Bazar be held, and told how the Pennsylvania W. S. A. had cleared \$1,100, by a State Bazar. It was unanimously voted that the N. A. W. S. A. hold a large National Bazar, and invite all the States to co-operate.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was presented by its chairman, Ida H. Harper, and, after discussion, the following resolutions were adopted:

The National American Woman Suffrage Association, at this its 30th Annual Meeting, celebrates the Semi-Centennial Anniversary of the first Woman's Rights Convention, held in 1848 in Seneca Falls, N. Y., and reaffirms every principle then and there enunciated. We count the gains of 50 years:—

Woman's position revolutionized in the home, in society, in the church, and in the State; public sentiment changed, customs modified, industries opened, co-education established, laws amended, economic independence partially secured, and equal suffrage a recognized subject of legislation. Sixty years ago women voted nowhere in the world; to-day Wyoming, Colorado, Utah, and Idaho have established equal suffrage for women, and have already in the Congress of the United States eight Senators and seven Representatives with women constituents. Kansas has granted women municipal suffrage, and 28 States have made women voters in school elections. This movement is not confined to the United States; in Great Britain and her colonies women now have municipal and county suffrage, while New Zealand and South Australia have abolished all political distinctions of sex.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. Resolved, That we hereby express our profound appreciation of the prophetic vision, advanced thought, and moral courage of the pioneers in this movement for equality of rights, and our sincere gratitude for their half century of toil and endurance to secure for women the privileges they now enjoy, and to make the way easier for those who are to complete the work. We, their successors, a thousandfold multiplied, stand pledged to unceasing effort until women have all the rights and privileges which belong equally to every citizen of a republic.
2. That in every State we demand for women citizens equality with male citizens in the exercise of the elective franchise, upon such terms and conditions as the men impose upon themselves.
3. That we appeal to Congress to submit a Sixteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution, thereby enabling the citizens of each State to carry this question of woman suffrage before its legislature for settlement.
4. That we will aid, so far as practicable, every State campaign for woman suffrage; but we urgently recommend our auxiliary State societies to effect thorough county organiza-

tions before petitioning their legislatures for a State constitutional amendment.

5. Whereas, the good results of woman suffrage in Wyoming since 1869 have caused its adoption successively by the three adjoining States; therefore,

Resolved, That we earnestly request the citizens of these four free States to make a special effort to secure the franchise for women in the States contiguous to their own.

6. That we demand for mothers equal custody and control of their minor children, and for wives and widows an equal use and inheritance of property.

7. That we ask for an equal representation of women on all boards of education and health, of public schools and colleges, and in the management of all public institutions, and for their employment as physicians for women and children in all hospitals and asylums, and as police matrons and guards in all prisons and reformatories.

8. That this Association limits its efforts exclusively to securing equal rights for women, and we appeal for co-operation to the whole American people.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1898.
2.30 P.M.

WORK CONFERENCE.

At the request of the Chairman of Organization the Conference was held in a small hall in the theatre, in order to bring the delegates closer together, to have the meeting as informal as possible, and thus to bring out more of the usually silent members to speak.

The interest in the Convention was, however, so general that a much larger audience assembled than could be accommodated at the Conference, so the doors had to be closed, thus excluding some of the delegates who arrived late.

Mrs. Catt conducted the meeting. The speaking was held closely to the lines indicated by the following program: "An

Ideal State Association," "How to Secure Thorough Organization," "How to Raise Funds."

Meanwhile, in response to urgent requests, the lower hall had been opened, and, with Laura Clay presiding, an interesting overflow meeting was held, with Mary Seymour Howell, Henry B. Blackwell, Harriette Keyser and others as speakers.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1898.

4.30 p.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING.

Miss Anthony in the chair.

At the request of Anna R. Simmons it was voted that Mrs. Thorpe, of South Dakota, be allowed to act as proxy for Mrs. Pickler on the National American Executive Committee.

Adelaide Johnson, at the request of Ellen Powell Thompson, was given the floor to make a statement in regard to the busts of Mrs. Stanton, Miss Anthony and Mrs. Mott.

It was voted that the chair appoint a committee of three to confer with Mrs. Johnson and the District of Columbia Woman Suffrage Association on the subject. Miss Clay, Mrs. Swift and Mrs. Blankenburg were appointed.

It was voted that the money pledged to the Organization Fund otherwise unappropriated, be disposed of as the Organization Committee think best.

Ida Porter Boyer, Alice Stone Blackwell, Ida H. Harper and Clara Bewick Colby were appointed fraternal delegates to the reception of the Press Association.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1898.

EVENING.

August W. Machen, Superintendent of the Free Delivery System, spoke interestingly upon "Woman in the Depart-

mental Service of the United States," and, being in touch personally with the work of women in these lines, the speaker could give what was, by those who heard, considered valuable testimony upon this subject.

Miss Anthony's niece, Guelma McLean Baker, followed with two vocal solos which were enthusiastically received.

Rev. Frederic A. Hinckley, of Philadelphia, read a fine paper, "The Civil Rights of Women," and Catherine Waugh McCulloch, of Chicago, closed the evening by an address upon "The Economic Status of Women."

11.15 p.m.

BUSINESS COMMITTEE MEETING.

Miss Shaw in the chair.

It was voted that the committee approve Mrs. Avery's action in refusing to outsiders the use of the theatre during the afternoon and in holding an overflow meeting at 3 p.m.

Friday, February 18, 1898.

10 a.m.

Mrs. Catt in the chair.

The report of the Presidential Suffrage Committee was given by Henry B. Blackwell, chairman, and accepted.

Your committee have to report no progress except in Massachusetts (and possibly one or two other States), in enlisting effort to secure from State Legislatures the extension of suffrage to women in the appointment of the Presidential electors. The timidity of politicians and the importance of the measure have hitherto combined to prevent any serious consideration of the subject. In Massachusetts Presidential suffrage was included in the petitions circulated, and was urged upon the Committee on Election Laws along with Municipal Woman Suffrage, but on both measures the committee re-

ported "leave to withdraw." This year it will be more likely that the subject may receive attention, as the next Presidential election begins to loom up in the Congressional elections next fall. Your committee deems the matter worthy of special effort in those States where the State Constitution prohibits every other form of suffrage; for instance, Pennsylvania and Rhode Island do not allow women to vote in any State or local elections, so that, with the exception of Presidential suffrage, no demand in such States can be made of the legislatures, except for the submission of an amendment striking out the word "male." But our experience leads us to discourage such submission in States wherein county and precinct organization is lacking. Therefore Suffragists in such States cannot petition their legislatures for anything but Presidential suffrage. That being placed by the United States Constitution in the hands of each State Legislature, can be conferred in every State upon women. Therefore Presidential suffrage is the only measure which these legislatures can be asked to grant, and only by so doing can the question be brought up for discussion. We therefore respectfully ask that the committee may be continued.

The following report of the Committee on the Tennessee Exposition was read by Laura Clay, and accepted with thanks:

Our committee was offered by the Board of Convocation of the Exposition, May 11th, 12th and 13th, which were accepted, but immediately after this came the counteracting news that, owing to the pressure of the Iowa campaign and other forces, all pressing in the wrong direction for us, we could receive no aid from the National American Woman Suffrage Association, either in brains or finances, but must "just go ahead and do the best we could."

The Woman's Board did all for us that cordiality and generosity could do. Yellow flowers, ribbons and draperies were everywhere in evidence. We held three public meetings from 10 to 12 a.m., and two afternoon sessions for business. A reorganization of the Tennessee Association was effected. We adopted a constitution, in most respects similar to that of Ken-

tucky, and elected a corps of officers, dividing them equally between East, Middle and West Tennessee.

Notwithstanding the fact that our convocation was held less than two weeks after the opening of the Exposition, our public meetings were well attended, and all the papers and addresses received close attention and enthusiastic applause. As President of Tennessee, Mrs. Meriwether presided. The speakers were Laura Clay; Alberta Chapman Taylor, now of Denver, but formerly of Alabama, a daughter of the late Governor Chapman of that state; Josephine Locke, of Chicago; Virginia Clay Clopton, President of the Equal Suffrage Association of Alabama; Frances E. Griffin, of Alabama; Flora C. Huntingdon, of Tennessee, and Lida Calvert Oberchain, of Kentucky.

During one of the sessions, "Home, Sweet Home" was sung by Mrs. I. M. Coyle, of Nashville, the audience joining in the chorus. Questions were asked from the audience and answered by Mrs. Meriwether.

Later in the Exposition, Helen M. Gougar, with a number of Indiana women, held a day's session for suffrage, and, during the days of the closing week of the Exposition allotted to the National Council of Women, Miss Anthony and Rev. Anna Shaw attracted large audiences.

All the representatives of our cause who took part in the Convocations speak in unmeasured praise of the beautiful hospitality of the Board of Women Managers. Their president gave to each of our Convocations a reception in her own beautiful home, and, if we are to judge from some expressions seen in print, we can but conclude that our suffrage revivals made at least one distinguished convert.

As regards the effect of these meetings on the sentiment of our state, it is difficult to form a correct estimate, because the audiences were not simply Tennessean, but cosmopolitan. But as to the effect upon the minds of those who heard, I can safely say (reversing Scripture), "It was only good, and that continually."

LIDE MERIWETHER.

Miss Shaw and Miss Anthony paid tributes to Miss Willard.

On motion of Miss Shaw, it was voted to send a telegram of sorrow and sympathy to Miss Gordon. The rising vote was followed by a few minutes of silent prayer.

David Ferris, of Baltimore, spoke feelingly of Miss Willard.

Later, Mrs. Carrie Andres was appointed to receive contributions towards a floral tribute for Miss Willard's funeral, and a beautiful offering was sent.

The report of the Credentials Committee was read by Miss Hatch, as follows :

| State. | Entitled to. | Present. | Fee. |
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| ARKANSAS | 5 | 1 | \$3 00 |
| Miss Kate Cunningham. | | | |
| CALIFORNIA | 7 | 5 | 27 30 |
| Mary A. Swift, Mrs. Austin Sperry, Ida H. Harper, Beda S. Sperry, Mary G. Hay. | | | |
| COLORADO | | | |
| CONNECTICUT | 6 | 3 | 10 00 |
| Isabella Beecher Hooker, Grace C. Kimball, Emily O. Kimball. | | | |
| DELAWARE | 5 | 4 | 9 50 |
| Martha S. Cranston, Elizabeth Bacon Walling, Mary H. Thatcher, Margaret W. Houston. | | | |
| DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA | 6 | 6 | 10 00 |
| Ellen Powell Thompson, Helen R. Tindall, M. V. Noerr, Annie M. Edgar, M. J. Fowler, Belva A. Lockwood. | | | |
| GEORGIA | 5 | 1 | 5 80 |
| Sarah A. Gresham. | | | |
| ILLINOIS | 10 | 10 | 50 00 |
| Eva Munson Smith, Mrs. Frank L. Hubbard, Elmina Springer, Nellie J. Tweed, Mary T. Hager, Catharine Waugh McCulloch, Emmy C. Evald, C. H. Crocker, Sylvia Doton, Angie B. Schweppe. | | | |
| IOWA | 26 | 11 | 219 16 |
| Julia Clark Hallam, Mary D. Palmer, Ella Moffatt, Jane Hammond, Winifred Buriff Downard, Metie Laub Romans, Harriet Jenks, Martha J. Cass, Bessie Murray, Charles W. Jacobs, Rosena Jacobs. | | | |

MINUTES OF THE SUFFRAGE CONVENTION.

| State. | Entitled to. | Present. | Fee. |
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| KANSAS | 7 | 4 | 20 80 |
| Laura A. Gregg, Jennie Robb Maher, Fannie M. Broderick, Jennie Broderick. | | | |
| KENTUCKY | 6 | 6 | 13 60 |
| Laura Clay, Mary B. Clay, Elizabeth H. Catching, Eugenia B. Farmer, Sarah Clay Bennett, Mary Cramer. | | | |
| LOUISIANA | 7 | 2 | 25 00 |
| Caroline E. Merrick, Sr., Caroline E. Mer- rick, Jr. | | | |
| MAINE | 6 | 6 | 14 00 |
| Lucy Hobart Day, Hannah J. Bailey, Dr. Abbey M. Fulton, Helen Coffin Beedy, Mary E. A. Osborne, Martha Fairfield. | | | |
| MARYLAND | 5 | 5 | 5 00 |
| Mary Bentley Thomas, Sarah T. Miller, Mary E. Moore, Martha S. Townsend, Emma Frinck. | | | |
| MASSACHUSETTS | 16 | 7 | 117 70 |
| Henry B. Blackwell, Ellen Garrison, Mrs. Arden Hall, Carrie Andres, Richard Andres, Martha Atkins, Eliza R. Whit- ing. | | | |
| MASSACHUSETTS (National) | 5 | 4 | 1 30 |
| Lavina A. Hatch, Eveleen L. Mason, Dr. Marion L. Woodward, C. Lobdell. | | | |
| MICHIGAN | 7 | 6 | 20 90 |
| Helen P. Jenkins, Emily Burton Ketcham, Elizabeth A. Willard, Frances Wright Spearman, Margaret M. Huckins, E. Matilda Moore. | | | |
| MINNESOTA | 6 | 2 | 13 00 |
| Concheta Ferris Lutz, Dr. Bessie Park Haines. | | | |
| MISSISSIPPI | 5 | 1 | 8 10 |
| Belle Kearney. | | | |
| MISSOURI | 5 | 4 | 7 10 |
| Ella H. Harrison, Isabella Wightman, Emaline A. Templeton, Mary U. Vand- vert. | | | |
| MONTANA | 6 | 1 | 13 40 |
| Ella Knowles Haskell. | | | |
| NEBRASKA | 6 | 5 | 15 00 |
| Clara Bewick Colby, Irene Hernandez, Mary H. Williams, Sarah H. Williams, Nettie L. Cronkhite. | | | |

MINUTES OF THE SUFFRAGE CONVENTION.

| State. | Entitled to. | Present. | Fee. |
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| NEVADA | 5 | 0 | 6 00 |
| NEW HAMPSHIRE | 5 | 0 | 5 00 |
| NEW JERSEY | 5 | 5 | 9 10 |
| Minola Graham Sexton, Phebe C. Wright, Katherine H. Browning, Jennie D. De Witt, Jane Bryant Kellogg. | | | |
| NEW YORK | 23 | 23 | 185 80 |
| Mariana W. Chapman, Deborah Otis, Emma M. Tucker, Dr. Virginia B. Glau- ner, Anna Willetts, Eliza Wright Os- born, Mary S. Anthony, Cerelle Grandin Weller, Emily Howland, Elizabeth Bur- rill Curtis, Ella Hawley, Crossett, Ella S. Hammond, Mrs. Josiah G. Munro, Mary Hillard Loines, J. Mary Pierson, Eliza C. Gifford, Clara Neymann, Lucy Hawley Calkins, Antoinette Brown Blackwell, Mary Seymour Howell, Lillie Devereux Blake, Mary N. Hubbard, Harriette A. Keyser. | | | |
| NORTH CAROLINA | 5 | 1 | 3 00 |
| Helen Morris Lewis. | | | |
| NORTH DAKOTA | 6 | 1 | 10 00 |
| Helen de Lendrecie. | | | |
| OHIO | 8 | 7 | 32 90 |
| Harriet Brown Stanton, Minnie C. Hauser, Lydia A. D. Northway, Jannette Freer, Rev. Henrietta G. Moore, Ella M. Bell, Cecelia Holloway. | | | |
| OKLAHOMA | 5 | 0 | 3 10 |
| OREGON | 5 | 0 | 4 00 |
| PENNSYLVANIA | 14 | 14 | 90 00 |
| Lucretia L. Blankenburg, Alice M. Coates, Mrs. W. C. Butterfield, Jane Campbell, Ida Porter Boyer, Margaret B. Stone, Mary B. Luckie, Jean B. Stephenson, Charlotte L. Peirce, Susanna M. Gaskill, Ellen H. E. Price, Rachel Foster Avery, Mary F. Kenderdine, Elizabeth B. Pass- more. | | | |
| RHODE ISLAND | 5 | 1 | 5 50 |
| Rev. Anna Garlin Spencer. | | | |
| SOUTH CAROLINA | 5 | 1 | 2 15 |
| Virginia D. Young. | | | |
| SOUTH DAKOTA | 6 | 2 | 15 00 |
| Anna R. Simmons, Mrs. C. E. Thorpe. | | | |

| State. | Entitled to. | Present. | Fee. |
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| TENNESSEE | 6 | 0 | 10 00 |
| VIRGINIA | 5 | 5 | 70 |
| Orra Langhorne, Elisan Brown, Emma R. Gilman, Elizabeth B. Dodge, Georgia Gibson. | | | |
| WISCONSIN | 6 | 0 | 11 70 |

FRATERNAL DELEGATES.

From the Universal Peace Union, Philadelphia :
 Rev. Amanda Deyo, Countess Cora de Brazzi, Belva A. Lockwood, Dr. Sarah T. R. Eavenson, David Ferris.
 From the National Spiritualist Association of the United States and Canada :
 Cora L. V. Richmond.
 From First Association of Spiritualists, Washington, D. C. :
 Sallie Clendaniel.
 From Governor of Colorado :
 Martha A. B. Conine.
 From Washington, D. C. Parliamentary and Social Club :
 Sarah A. H. McIntyre.
 From Norwegian Woman Suffrage Association :
 Elizabeth Lange Aus.

It was voted that Dr. Haines be recognized as a delegate from Minnesota.

Tellers were then appointed and the election of officers took place. The informal ballots stood :
 President, Susan B. Anthony, 195.
 Vice-President-at-Large, Rev. Anna Howard Shaw, 171 ; Clara Bewick Colby, 13 ; scattering, 6.
 Corresponding Secretary, Rachel Foster Avery, 194 ; Clara Bewick Colby, 1 ; Laura Clay, 1.
 Recording Secretary, Alice Stone Blackwell, 195.
 Treasurer, Harriet Taylor Upton, 192 ; Clara Bewick Colby, 1.
 First Auditor, Laura Clay, 192 ; Catharine Waugh McCulloch, 6.
 Second Auditor, Catharine Waugh McCulloch, 195 ; Clara Bewick Colby, 2.

Chairman Organization Committee, Carrie Chapman Catt, 194.

It was voted in each case to make the informal ballot formal.

Mrs. Avery read invitations for the next Convention from Cincinnati, Ohio, and Grand Rapids, Mich.; and Dr. Haines gave a verbal one from Minneapolis. Mrs. Ketcham and a lady from Ohio spoke in support of the invitations from their respective States.

Miss Shaw read a greeting from the Woman's Club of Christiania, Norway, and it was voted that the President reply to it.

It was voted that the choice of the place for the next Convention be left to the Business Committee, but that it was the sense of the Convention that it be held in the South or West.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1898.

2.30 p.m.

The Vice-President-at-Large, Rev. Anna H. Shaw, presided. May Wright Sewall spoke upon "The Relation of the N. A. W. S. A. to the National Council of Women." Mrs. Sewall, as one of the organizers of the Council, formerly an active worker in the N. A. W. S. A., and the present President of the Council, could speak with authority upon this topic, too little understood by our members.

Mary Seymour Howell then read a paper by Matilda Joslyn Gage, "Woman's Demand for Freedom; its Influence upon the World." Mrs. Gage was for so long active as an officer of the N. A. W. S. A. that for her as for Mrs. Stanton, an exception was made to the general rule against papers not presented by the author. Mrs. Gage had planned to attend but was prevented.

Lucy Hobart Day gave the State report for Maine, Concheta Ferris Lutz for Minnesota, Belle Kearney for Mississippi, Orra Langhorne for Virginia, Kate Cunningham for

Arkansas, Margaret W. Houston for Delaware, Ellen Powell Thompson for the District of Columbia, J. Minnie Holm for the Junior Society of the District of Columbia, Clara Bewick Colby for Nebraska, Rev. Anna Garlin Spencer for Rhode Island, and Virginia D. Young for South Carolina. Mrs. Young invited the next annual convention to Charleston.

Mr. Blackwell moved that a telegram of greeting be sent to Mrs. Chace, of Rhode Island, the oldest officer of the Association.

Mr. J. H. Brigham, first assistant Secretary of Agriculture, made a brief address.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1898.
8 P. M.

Miss Anthony presided and introduced as the first speaker, Madame Clara Neymann, of New York, who presented a carefully prepared paper upon "Marriage in the Light of Woman's Freedom."

"The Progress of Colored Women" was set forth in an eloquent address by Mary Church Terrell, of the District, the President of the National Association of Colored Women. Mrs. Terrell has the orator's gift and interested her audience deeply. Though so impassioned in manner, the matter of her address was temperate and kindly in spirit.

Elizabeth Lange Aus, of Norway, gave a brief greeting in English from the Woman Suffrage Association of her country; Mrs. Aus is unaccustomed to speaking in English, but was heard and received a cordial greeting from the audience.

Emmy C. Evald, of Chicago, upon "The Work of Swedish Women in America," took the audience by storm with her foreign enthusiasm and the eloquent manner in which she set forth the advantages which women enjoy in her country of Sweden and what these same women are doing in this country.

Closing the program, Lillie Devereux Blake, of New York, made a bright speech upon "Women in Municipalities."

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1898.

11.30 P. M.

BUSINESS COMMITTEE MEETING.

This session was called to discuss the best method of meeting the Convention expenses, and their immediate payment was provided for by a short-time loan.

Saturday, February 19, 1898.

10 A. M.

Miss Anthony in the chair.

Ellen Powell Thompson, Acting Chairman, gave the following report for the Congressional Committee, which was accepted:

On June 20th, 1897, Hon. John F. Shafroth, of Colorado, introduced into the House of Representatives the following resolution:

Joint Resolution, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled (two-thirds of the House concurring therein),

That the following article be proposed to the Legislatures of the several States as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which, when ratified by three-fourths of said Legislatures, shall be valid as a part of said Constitution, namely,

Section 1.—The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States, or by any State, on account of sex.

Sec. 2.—The Congress shall have power, by appropriate legislation, to enforce the provisions of this article.

In January your committee asked Hon. Francis C. Warren, of Wyoming, to introduce the same bill into the Senate of the United States, which he did on February 7th, 1898, being read twice and then referred to the Committee on Woman Suffrage.

The hearings given the convention before the committee of the House and Senate Tuesday, the 15th, were of unusual interest. The presentation before the select committee of the Senate was from a philosophical standpoint, and that before the judiciary committee of the House from an historical point of view, each speaker presenting a special phase of the subject. Of the Senate committee, only Senators Berry, the chairman, of Arkansas, and Mallory, of Florida, were present. Senators Teller, of Colorado, and Cannon, of Utah, also attended the hearing.

Of the House committee, fourteen of the fifteen members were present to listen to the history of woman suffrage for fifty years.

It would seem that these arguments must appear to any unprejudiced mind comprehensive and conclusive, and touch the chord of justice in the hearts of these men. During two years nearly every member of Congress has either been written to, or personal interviews have been had, and not a small number have declared they were ready to vote for the amendment when opportunity should be given. A large number hold the opinion that when a majority of women in any one State express the desire for suffrage the men of the State will grant it.

We wish also to report to you the high esteem very generally expressed for the women of the National Association.

We continue to urge strongly upon the State Presidents their co-operation with the Congressional committee by sending memorials to Congress, and by writing letters to their own Congressmen on the vital question. To enable the members of the District Suffrage Association to keep in touch with this work with Congress and to ascertain facts and furnish information to Congress when desirable, Clara B. Colby has been appointed chairman of the Congressional committee of the District of Columbia Association. In this capacity she sends

the "Woman's Tribune" regularly, free of charge, to every Senator and member. We deem it very important that Congressional work be pushed during this session, even though the press of work seems great in that body.

Rev. Amanda Deyo spoke as fraternal delegate from the Peace and Arbitration Society, and Cora L. V. Richmond as fraternal delegate from the National Spiritual Association of the United States.

Miss Anthony presented the plan for a National Press Bureau, and it was voted to establish such a Bureau with Ida H. Harper as chairman.

The revised constitution was then considered, and adopted, with some unimportant changes.*

On motion of Miss Clay, the section in regard to holding the annual convention in Washington every other year was retained in the by-laws, instead of being transferred to the body of the constitution, as the committee on revision had recommended.

Mrs. L. D. Blake urged that the annual convention be held in October. After discussion it was voted to leave it to the Business Committee. On motion of Miss Clay, it was voted "that it is the sense of this convention that the Business Committee should call the next annual convention in October or November, if by correspondence it is found practicable." The vote stood 25 to 23.

2 P.M.

Rev. Anna H. Shaw in the chair.

Mary Bentley Thomas gave the State report for Maryland, Emily B. Ketcham for Michigan, Sarah A. Gresham for Georgia, Helen De Lendrecie for North Dakota, Jennie Robb Maher for Kansas, Caroline E. Merrick for Louisiana, Eu-

* The constitution as adopted is near the close of this pamphlet.

genia B. Farmer for Kentucky, Jennie D. DeWitt for New Jersey, Grace Isaacs for Washington, Helen Morris Lewis for North Carolina, Rev. Henrietta G. Moore for Ohio, and Alberta C. Taylor for Colorado.

An informal report for New Mexico was given by Hon. H. D. Fergusson, the delegate to Congress from that territory.

A telegram of greeting was read from the Minneapolis Political Equality Club.

In response to an appeal from Mary G. Hay, \$60 per month was pledged for the rent of the National Headquarters.

4.30 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING.

Miss Anthony in the chair.

It was voted that the surviving Honorary Vice Presidents of last year be re-elected, with the addition of a few names.*

It was voted, on motion of Mrs. Catt, that a special committee on Course of Study be chosen, with the recommendation that they serve for three years.

It was voted that Mrs. Catt be chairman, with power to choose the four other members.

It was voted that the same recommendations as last year be made to the Committee on Legislation.

It was voted that the Committee on Platforms be instructed to take such measures as are possible to secure resolutions of endorsement from all national bodies, political, educational, religious and industrial; that the choice of the chairman be left to Miss Anthony, and that the chairman choose the other members of the Committee.

Harriet Taylor Upton was re-elected Chairman of Convention Press Work.

Miss Clay said that the auditors had been unable to finish

* See list near close of pamphlet.

their work, and it was voted to let them report in the printed minutes.

Miss Clay gave her report as chairman of the Committee of Conference appointed in regard to the busts, and it was voted that the Committee's report be accepted.

Your Committee met Adelaide Johnson, the artist who executed the busts of Miss Anthony, Mrs. Stanton and Mrs. Mott. She was accompanied by Eliza Titus Ward, Mrs. Colby and other friends. She gave a very full and clear account of the origin and growth of the proposition that she should execute these busts. While the proposition was originally made by members of the N. A. W. S. A., it was clearly shown that there never has been any responsibility incurred by that Association for the payment for, or final disposition of the busts. A contract was shown, signed by Henrietta M. Banker, Jane H. Spofford and Jean Brooks Greenleaf, in which it was agreed that the price of the busts should be three thousand dollars, and that they should be finally placed in the Marble Hall in Washington. This paper was drawn up with the design of securing the payment of the artist, and as a basis for the collection of the fund by the friends who desired that the busts of these distinguished women should be preserved in a national gallery.

Your Committee was satisfied, by hearing this history and seeing the contract, that the artist cannot deliver the busts to the N. A. W. S. A. or to any other party than the ladies named who signed the contract, even should the Association desire to become the owner by paying the balance of the purchase price, which was stated to be something near \$600. Your Committee thinks some misunderstanding has grown out of the fact that the portion so far raised has been paid to the artist in installments as collected, thus giving countenance to the mistake that the busts were to be bought separately; and the Committee advises that persons who contribute hereafter shall do so on the condition that no more money shall be paid to the artist until all that is due is collected, so that all the busts can be immediately delivered to the ladies who signed the contract. With this proviso, your Committee

cheerfully commends to the liberality of the members of the N. A. W. S. A., and others, the efforts of the Committee of the District of Columbia W. S. A., who have in hand collecting the balance of the amount due.

It was voted that unfinished business be referred to the Business Committee.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1898.

8 P.M.

Clara Bewick Colby opened the session by a paper giving the "History of Our Work with Congress," which must have surprised many of the audience who may have regarded the Congressional work as in its infancy.

As the professional evening had shown results along the lines of medicine, law and the ministry, so the closing evening showed woman as already attaining to the honors of office and of legislative position.

Wyoming, the pioneer among our free States, sent a greeting by the voice of Estelle Reel, State Superintendent of Education of Wyoming.

Colorado was represented by Martha A. B. Conine, ex-member of its Legislature, whose account of her work in legislative halls was listened to with deep attention, only interrupted by hearty applause.

State Senator Martha Hughes Cannon, of Utah, also aroused deep interest by her address upon the use which Utah women are making of the ballot.

From the enfranchised States there were present on the platform Senator Cannon, of Utah; Senator Teller and Representative Shafroth, of Colorado, all of whom responded to Miss Anthony's introduction.

The following resolution was passed:

That the death of Miss Frances E. Willard has removed

from the world one of the great forces that make for righteousness; an unequalled educator of conservative men and women to a belief in equal rights; the friend, guide, and inspirer of thousands; a great heart, always ready to feel for sorrow and suffering; a great brain, fertile in wise and far-reaching plans to make the world better; a great soul, ever following the light and drawing others after it, with a power as sure and certain as gravitation. We grieve, not for her, but for ourselves; and we tender our sympathy to those most near and dear to her in this time of their and our affliction.

Rev. Anna Shaw paid a tribute to Miss Willard.

Senator Mason, of Illinois, rose in one of the boxes and said:

Frances Willard is not dead. She lives in the hearts of all the people in the part I come from, and she has one vote in the Senate of the United States that will be cast for equal rights.

Miss Anthony: We live more after we are said to be dead than ever before. She has crowded more noble work into the last twenty years than most people get into a lifetime.

Miss Anthony urged upon every woman who, as the result of the sacrifices of those who began the work for woman's enfranchisement, enjoys better laws, better wages and better opportunities of development, to carry home with her from this semi-centennial celebration a conviction of duty toward this cause—a conviction which will make her willing to sacrifice to it in proportion to what it has given to her.

A telegram from California announced a gift of \$150 for suffrage work. The audience rose and sang "America," and the Jubilee Convention adjourned.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1898.

10.45 P.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING.

Miss Anthony in the chair.

It was voted to recommend the auxiliary State, county and

local societies to celebrate during the coming year the fiftieth anniversary of the first convention, and to authorize the Business Committee to issue a statement of the results of the fifty years of work.

It was voted that the Executive Committee instruct the Business Committee to appoint a special committee to prepare a program for these celebrations all over the country.

Adjourned.

Sunday, February 20, 1898.

10.45 A.M.

BUSINESS COMMITTEE MEETING.

Miss Anthony in the chair.

The members of the Committees on Organization and Course of Study were appointed.*

It was voted to instruct Mrs. Catt to condense the work at headquarters by employing a rapid stenographer.

It was voted that the Organization Committee be authorized to conduct a series of conventions in Southern Iowa; that a series of twenty-four conferences be arranged for April and May to be held in twenty-four States, if possible, subject to changes at discretion; and that, if practicable, a series of conferences with Southern women as speakers be held in the Southern States in October and November.

It was voted that the Organization Committee furnish South Dakota with a speaker from Colorado, to be recommended by the Colorado W. S. A.

* See lists at close of pamphlet

2.30 P.M.

BUSINESS COMMITTEE MEETING.

Miss Anthony in the chair.

It was voted that literature (not to exceed \$100 worth and to be selected by Mrs. Catt) be sent to South Dakota.

It was voted that the Corresponding Secretary write to the President of every Western and Middle State where no campaign is pending, saying that it is the sense of the Business Committee that a county organization should be formed in every county before the legislature is asked to submit an amendment.

It was voted that Mrs. Harper be requested to run the National Press Bureau in her own way and according to her best judgment.

It was voted that at the next annual convention no receptions be arranged at hours conflicting with the convention or work conferences.

It was voted that at the next annual convention at least half of each afternoon be devoted to work conferences; that the convention be at least five working days long, with Sunday about in the middle.

It was voted that the Business Committee hold two meetings before the next annual convention.

8 P.M.

BUSINESS COMMITTEE MEETING.

Miss Anthony in the chair.

It was voted that at the next annual convention, the entire first morning and half of one of the afternoons be devoted to Executive Committee meetings, in addition to the final Executive Committee meeting.

It was voted that at Omaha next fall Dr. Julia Holmes Smith

be our delegate to the National Council of Women and Lydia A. Coonley Ward alternate; Evelyn W. Ordway our member of the Resolutions Committee, Mrs. Noble Prentiss alternate; Rachel Foster Avery our member of the Program Committee, with power to select her own alternate.

It was voted that the National Bazar be held in Philadelphia, with the consent of the State and local W. S. A.'s; that Jane Campbell be invited to assume the superintendency of it; and that Mrs. Avery interview Miss Campbell and the Pennsylvania Executive Committee, and report results to the Business Committee.

It was voted that the Treasurer send to the States bills of \$2.00 each for their bannerets.

It was voted that the President, Corresponding Secretary, and Treasurer be allowed the same sums as last year for their secretaries' salaries, and that the Corresponding Secretary receive \$800, to be raised by Miss Anthony for that purpose.

Monday, February 21, 1898.

1.15 P.M.

BUSINESS COMMITTEE MEETING.

Miss Shaw in the chair.

It was voted that all dues sent in after January 1st be counted to the credit of the year in which they are paid.

It was voted that the cost of publishing the next Minutes shall not exceed \$225, and that the Treasurer and other officers may solicit advertisements for the Minutes.

It was voted to put on the Association's official stationery, "Member of the National Council of Women."

It was voted that \$29.75 be appropriated to cover the cost of

printing the first declaration of principles put forth at Seneca Falls, \$10 having been given toward it by Mrs. Hooker.

The members of the Committees on Program, Congressional Work, and Plan of Work were appointed.*

Laura Clay was made chairman of the Committee on Work on Enfranchised States, with power to choose her own committee.

It was voted that the Committees on Enrollment, Federal Suffrage, Presidential Suffrage, Local Arrangements, and Railroad Rates remain the same as last year.

Mrs. Avery, Miss Clay and Mrs. Upton were elected a sub-committee to appoint the Committee on Trans-Mississippi Exposition.

The Minutes were read and approved.

It was voted that Miss Anthony ask of "the great Chautauqua" a day for the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the first convention.

Adjourned.

REPORT OF AUDITORS.

We have examined the books of the Treasurer of the National American Woman Suffrage Association for the year beginning January 1st, 1897, and ending January 1st, 1898, and find them correct. We have examined vouchers for all the money which has passed through the Treasurer's hands, and find them correct. The books also show receipts and disbursements by other individuals who reported to the Treasurer, but in some instances sent no vouchers.

Auditors, { LAURA CLAY,
CATHARINE WAUGH McCULLOCH.

GREETINGS.

From Abigail Bush, now eighty-eight years of age, Vacaville, Cal., the woman who presided over the second Woman's

*See lists at close of pamphlet.

Rights Convention, held in Rochester, N. Y., August 2d, 1848:

To Susan B. Anthony:

Greeting: You will bear me witness that the state of society is very different from what it was fifty years ago, when I presided at the first "Woman's Rights" convention. I had not been able to meet in council at all with the friends until I met them in the hall as the congregation was gathering, and then fell into the hands of those who urged me to take part with the opposers of a woman serving, as the party had with them a fine-looking man to preside at all of their meetings, James Mott, who had presided at Seneca Falls. Afterward I fell in with the old friends, Amy Post, Rhoda De Garmo and Sarah Fish, who at once commenced labors with me to prove the hour had come when a woman should preside, and at once led me into the church. Amy proposed my name as President; I was accepted at once, and from that hour I seemed endowed as from on high to serve. It was a two days' meeting with three sessions per day. On my taking the chair, Lucretia Mott and Elizabeth Cady Stanton left the platform and took their seats in the audience, but it did not move me from performing all my duties, and at the close of the meeting Lucretia Mott came forward and folded me tenderly in her arms, and thanked me for presiding. That settled the question of men presiding at a woman's convention. From that day to this in all of the walks of life, I have been faithful in asserting that there should be "no taxation without representation." It has seemed long in coming, but I think the time draws near when woman will be acknowledged as equal with man. Heaven grant the day to dawn soon.

From Catharine A. F. Stebbins, who was present at the Seneca Falls Convention, and signed the Declaration of Rights issued there:

Our demand grew logically and historically out of the anti-slavery warfare. And did not women then do faithfully their part? Have they not wrought faithfully in all reforms? As there is an equality of rights and duties in the religious "Society of Friends," it is always pleasant for me to remember that

the initial movement in Seneca Falls was made by three or four Quaker women associated with Mrs. Stanton (and Mrs. Mott and Mrs. Stanton had contemplated this movement several years before), for I am a "Friend," was educated in that religious society, and had heard Lucretia Mott preach in our "Yearly Meetings," when I was a child, in Farmington, N. Y. Mary Ann McClintock and daughters who lived three or four miles away, I met at the first convention, as I had met them in our Yearly Meetings,—so that we were not strangers.

Our second "Woman's Rights" convention, held in Rochester (my home), was a gain upon the first in the respect that it had a woman for President, and a singular feature was that Mrs. Mott, Mrs. Stanton and Mrs. McClintock were opposed to having a woman, because they believed that a woman would not have the knowledge necessary. But some of us knew Abigail Bush and her qualifications; we knew not only her moral courage and self-respect, but her intellectual force, her dignity and grace, and, beyond that, an intuitive sense that enlightens and informs an individual at the right moment. She proved to be what I have described in discharging her duties, and all were pleased with the result. My dear mother, Sarah D. Fisk, was one of the Nominating Committee; and Amy Post, Mary and Sarah Hallowell, and Rhoda De Garmo.

The sister of John Bright, Priscilla Bright McLaren, of Edinburgh, writes to the Secretary:

I hope this letter may reach you before the 14th. I shall be with you in spirit, as I often feel to be with you noble American women. Amongst my privileged memories, the most privileged are those which live in my heart of the visits here of those noble women from your land, dear Susan Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, yourself, and others. All to whom I have appealed to represent us at your convention say that the time of the year is against anyone going. It is so often stormy in crossing, and the weather would be so against taking any further journey after the convention was over to see something of your glorious country, that they could not venture to go over. I really could not argue against this, though it may seem at first sight to show a want of self-sacrifice.

From Mary Lowe Dickinson, President of The International Order of the King's Daughters and Sons, to Miss Anthony:

I hope you will live to see the full day for the cause whose dawn owed so much to your labors, and I can ask nothing better for you than that you have "the desire of your heart," which I am sure will be the ballot for us all.

From Emmeline B. Wells, Editor of the "Woman's Exponent," Salt Lake City, to Miss Anthony:

What a grand sight it will be to gaze upon—what a testimony to the steadfastness of women in the work for humanity! Surely it would move a heart of stone to see the veterans who will assemble on this momentous occasion. I shall not be there to see, but, in spirit and sentiment, I shall be with you. And God speed the work, that you may be able to see many more equal suffrage States come into the Union.

From the Nevada State Equal Suffrage Association:

We much regret that our delegation cannot be present to represent us, and to participate in the deliberations of the convention. Although we are young in the ranks, and few in number when compared with the older States, yet we are none the less loyal to the principles advocated and established by the National Association. We are brave because we draw inspiration from the thoughts and acts of that Spartan band of suffragists of fifty years ago, who devoted the sunshine of their lives and the energies of their philosophic minds to the effort to obtain for womankind their inherent right to have a voice in the government which derives its just power from the consent of the governed.

From Esther Wattles, seventy-nine years old, who in 1859 lived in Kansas, and was a co-worker with Clarina I. Howard Nichols who secured school suffrage for women in the first constitution of Kansas as a State, to Miss Anthony:

My attention was first called to the injustice done to women by a lecture given near Wilmington, O., by John O. Wattles in 1841. He devoted most of his time to lecturing on "Woman's Rights," "The Sin of Slavery," "The Temperance Reform," and "Peace." I heard him on all these subjects off and on, till 1844, when we were married. He still devoted most of his time to lectures on these subjects as opportunity offered, up to his death in 1859. We were hand in hand in all these, and I have done what I could since he went to the spirit home. Seventy-nine summers with all their clouds and sunshine, make it fitting I should greet you by letter rather than personal presence.

May the cause never falter till the victory is won.

From the Alameda County (Cal.) Political Equality Society:

With heartfelt thanks to those noble pioneers who have made woman's cause their life work, we are able to look back upon the last half century and say, "Well done!" And we look forward with hope and courage to what the coming years will bring us.

Lucinda H. Stone, a pioneer in educational lines, writes to Miss Anthony:

You wanted I should write you any anecdotes of early interest in woman's suffrage. The remembrance of Dr. Stone's waking up to that subject has come to me, and I have thought I would tell you about it.

It was some time in the forties that Dr. Stone was requested to deliver a Fourth of July oration in Kalamazoo. I cannot tell the exact year, but it was before I had ever heard of the Rochester Convention, or ever heard of you or Mrs. Stanton, and he was looking up all that he could find in the early history of our Declaration of Independence, and the principles of Jefferson and the early revolutionists. I remember his coming in one day (it must have been before 1848) seeming very much absorbed in something that he was thinking about. He threw down the book he had been reading, and said to me:

"The time will come when women will vote. Mark my

words! We may not live to see it; we probably shall not, but it will come. It is not a woman's right or a man's right. It is a human right, and their voting is but a natural process of evolution."

He spoke of Mary Wollstonecraft, and said that she had discovered the principle and announced it, and it will come true. Dr. Stone never drew back from this step one hair's breadth. It was a thing as fixed as any principle in his life, and it has been to me quite a proof of the truth of what comes to us in that way. It is as though we knew it, not anything that we had reasoned out, but it comes by intuition.

From Alfred H. Love, President of the Universal Peace Union:

From our rooms in the east wing of Independence Hall, I send greetings to you and your cause. Your cause is ours, and has been one of our essential principles since our organization. Your success is a triumph for peace.

From the National Association of Women Stenographers, to Miss Anthony:

We, the members of the National Association of Women Stenographers, take great pleasure in extending congratulations to you on the occasion of your birthday, and hope that the days of your years may still be many and happy.

We also desire to express our appreciation of and gratitude for the work you have done in securing freedom and justice for women. As business women we are better able to comprehend what you have accomplished, especially for those who are bread-winners, and we trust the time may soon come when we shall not be limited to understanding what freedom is, but be able to act in accordance with its principles.

From Dr. Elizabeth Blackwell, to Miss Anthony:

Although I cannot respond in person to your very friendly invitation to be a representative of "The Pioneers" at the Suffrage Congress in Washington, yet I gladly send my hearty greeting to you and to the other brave workers for the progress of the race—a progress slow, but inevitable.

Amongst all the steps of that progress I consider the admission of women to the medical profession as the most important.

Whilst thankfully recognizing the wonderful accumulations of knowledge which generations of our brethren have gathered together, our future women physicians will rejoice to help in the construction of that noble temple of medicine, whose foundation stone must be sympathetic justice.

Pray allow me to send my warm greeting to the Congress through you.

Greetings were received also from Charlotte Fowler Wells, of New York, a pioneer of the early fifties; Mrs. C. L. Levanway, of Battle Creek, Mich.; Ellen M. Calder, of Providence, R. I.; Ellen A. Rose, of Wisconsin; Adella H. Logan, Principal of the Girls' Department of the Tuskegee Normal School; Horace Mann, of Iowa, and from our latest enfranchised State of Idaho, from Minerva Newton Matheson and Cynthia A. Mann.

From foreign lands came five reports of the progress thus far made. On behalf of the Swedish Frederika-Bremer-Förbundet, signed by Carl Lindhagen; on behalf of Finnish women by Alexander Gripenberg; on behalf of German women by Hanna Bieber-Böhm, President of the German Council of Women, and on behalf of the Woman Suffrage Society of Holland by its Secretary, Margarethe Gallé.

The following telegrams were received.

Greeting, celebrating our fiftieth, we predict success before our centennial.—Santa Clara County Equal Suffrage Convention.

Greetings and jubilation from the Minneapolis Political Equality Club.—Mrs. W. J. Thompson, President.

Greetings and best wishes from your Canadian sisters:—Augusta Stowe Gullen, President pro tem Dominion Suffrage Association.

Three cheers for women's suffrage.—Frauenwohl, of Berlin.
Norwegian Woman Suffrage Club, celebrating your jubilee.

REPORTS FROM AUXILIARY STATES.

ALABAMA WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

There is but one active suffrage association in Alabama, the one at Huntsville. Three years ago when this was organized there existed four others in the State. The one at Decatur, of which Mrs. Hildreth is president, is still in existence, although not flourishing, owing to the fact that Mrs. Hildreth has been absent from home much of the time. From Mrs. Haley, of Jasper, we learn that there are but three members of the club left, and from Gadsden and Calera we can hear nothing. So it turns out that the Huntsville Club is really the only one left active in Alabama, which is much to be regretted, as a Constitutional Convention is being talked of for our State. Unfortunately our president, Mrs. Clopton, cannot render active service, but her name and her popularity have done much for the cause of suffrage here. Other members of the association have been more or less appalled by the tide of prejudice it was necessary to stem, and thought it best not to call meetings or try to organize new towns but rather to try to reach the people through the press and get them gradually accustomed to the subject by the publication of timely articles, and many Alabama women have written cleverly for suffrage whenever the press has opened its columns to them.

As yet in Alabama no woman can be elected to the position of School Superintendent, and I understand that, during the last term of the legislature, the Speaker of the House himself grew excited when a bill was introduced to allow women to become candidates for that office. The bill was defeated. No woman can practice law. A bill was introduced in the same term to prohibit her riding a bicycle. This, I am glad to say, was defeated, but, in addition to the above disadvantages, the age of consent in this State remains fixed at seven years. In spite of all this, however, there is an undercurrent in favor of freedom and justice which a propitious movement could call forth.

AMELIA M. DILLARD, Acting Secretary.

ARKANSAS EQUAL SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

There is much of suffrage sentiment in our State, particularly in the outlying districts, where, through the "Wheel," the "Farmer's Alliance," and other agricultural societies, in some few sections the W. C. T. U., and also through the aid of suffrage papers, the good seeds have been sown.

I really believe there is a good time coming for our State, and before

long we shall be coming up, like South Dakota and Louisiana, to ask you to come down and help us. Recently they have had a Susan B. Anthony medal contest at Little Rock, which proved a decided success, both in the matter of attendance and interest manifested.

CLARA A. McDIARMID, President,
By KATE CUNNINGHAM, Proxy.

CALIFORNIA STATE WOMAN SUFFRAGE EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION.

At the close of the campaign in 1896 the California State Suffrage Association had a membership of about fifteen hundred. The close of this year finds us with a considerable falling off. This does not, however, necessarily indicate any falling off in interest or enthusiasm among our women for the suffrage cause, but only an absolute need of rest and recuperation after our hard campaign in the summer of '96, and the hard fight in the State Legislature, that immediately followed, for a re-submission of the Suffrage Amendment.

In January, 1897, a resolution was introduced in both Houses of our Legislature, asking for a re-submission of the Suffrage Amendment at our next general election, and though the measure met with considerable opposition from the anti-suffragists all over the country, we succeeded in getting a large majority to vote for the measure in both Houses. This, however, was not sufficient, as it requires a two-thirds vote to carry. We lost by seven votes in the Assembly and by one in the Senate. Notwithstanding these two repulses, our cause is gaining ground in California and we were not discouraged.

During the last year, ending October 1st, 1897, we have collected \$2,240.55, and have expended \$2,152.60.

One hundred and forty-five newspapers throughout our State have declared themselves in favor of the cause, and are ready to aid us. These, together with many more are always ready to publish any suffrage notices or articles we send them, and the great dailies of San Francisco always give excellent reports of our public meetings.

After our campaign the question of woman suffrage became a popular subject for debate in many of our public schools, in consequence of which, there was some call for literature on the subject at our State Headquarters, by the young people. But most astonishing of all was the change in sentiment among the voters. When it was fully realized that we had been defeated by the liquor organizations, there was a sudden revulsion of feeling, and many who had voted against the measure at the polls, expressed their regret and declared their intention of standing by us in the future. And thus the sentiment is gaining ground in our State, and again we say we are not discouraged.

MARY A. SWIFT, President.
MARY G. GORHAM, Rec. Secretary.

THE NON-PARTISAN COLORADO EQUAL SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

The full citizenship of Colorado women being now a matter of course, there has been naturally during the past year in our State little agitation of the question of equal suffrage.

The ballot is in our hands as an accepted fact—a logical, irrevocable fact—has taken its place in the natural order of its development in our free, vigorous, Western growth towards the coming civilization.

Tiresome in the extreme are echoes that reach us from the Eastern States of the iteration and reiteration of so-considered arguments against woman's equality at the polls—arguments that are not only frivolous, but disproved by actual trial. "Women would be rudely treated at voting places"—for example—or "they would neglect their home duties," or "through loss of womanly characteristics, forfeit the respect that has always been their due." Such assertions are absurd to Coloradoans, yet, with many others, equally unfounded, they nevertheless seem to form the weapons still most frequently used in the East against the suffrage movement; and our Colorado Association has on this account found a serious task in returning as answer to anxious inquiries, iteration for iteration that none of these claims have stood the test of practice.

Our peace has also been disturbed by unfair and misleading reports made by enemies of this reform sent into Colorado to spy out the weakness of our new position. Being but human and the heirs of long years of human failures in unnumbered attempts to realize brave ideals, new failures are naturally not hard to find under new conditions.

If the remarkable successes achieved under these conditions were also noted, the unkind caricatures of our 'prentice work often given by the agents of the opposition would be less hard to endure.

Perhaps it cannot be reasonably expected, however, that we shall have only fair reports of the actual results, so far, of impartial suffrage in Colorado, while in many other States the struggle for the recognition of woman's interest in the general welfare is growing more earnest, its champions more confident of success, and the opposition correspondingly desperate. Nevertheless, severely as the work of correcting false statements has, during the past year, taxed the faith and patience of the Colorado Suffrage Association, it does not forget that for such work as this, in great part, it has held together.

But aside from our work as a bureau of information for misinformed sister commonwealths, and our still more difficult task of stimulating in Colorado a deeper interest than is now shown in the progress of impartial suffrage outside of the four enfranchised States, there are other duties lying very near us. To arouse many men and women, otherwise good citizens, from culpable indifference to the bal-

lot and all that it stands for in the interest of the community, is without doubt the natural work of this organization.

Another obligation threatens now to demand attention, as was vaguely foreseen when the Suffrage Association hesitated to disband after the success of the referendum of '93. This is the possible necessity that whatever influence the association shall command shall be used towards securing a concert of women's votes for the success of measures considered important by Colorado women. They may be compelled to vote together in order not to cancel each other's influence in voting separately.

One mark of progress in the moral growth now clearly indicated is the favorable change of attitude towards woman as a factor in public interests.

The spirit of the time moving against surviving evils of an earlier day is manifested in the increasing respect for every force that makes for righteousness, and in the awakening consciousness of the dangers that threaten the hard-won citadels of liberty we already occupy.

Among the surest allies on the side of righteousness may be counted the influence of good women. We have found by experience in Colorado that, as a rule, the best women accept their responsibilities as citizens and go conscientiously to the polls.

Many of our thoughtful citizens are beginning to perceive that the nearest approach to a sound, ideal government can be made through a complimentary union of all the best forces now striving intelligently to array themselves against evil, that masculine strength and daring must be supplemented by the fortitude that the self-forgetting mother-spirit develops, and that the big human family cannot reach its best possibilities deprived of the direct guidance of mother-wisdom and mother-love.

KATHARINE A. G. PATTERSON, President.

CONNECTICUT WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

Mrs. E. D. Bacon, Mrs. E. D. Bissell and Mrs. E. B. Kendrick, all of the Hartford Equal Rights Club, as the Committee for Legislative Work, appointed by the State Society, prepared two bills and a resolution for a Constitutional Amendment, striking the word "male" from the article which qualifies electors. The bills were for municipal and presidential suffrage, and they, with the resolution, were referred to the proper committees. The Woman Suffrage Committee, conferring with our leaders, arranged for two hearings on the 17th and 18th of March in the Representative Hall. Mrs. Bacon secured out-of-town speakers to help local talent, and on the first day she introduced Miss Elizabeth U. Yates, of Maine, who proved her power of logical argument, as did Cornelia B. Forbes, Ellen M. Bolles, Secretary of the Rhode Island W. S. A., and Mrs. A. C. Fenner, of New London. On the second day, that life-long able advocate of woman

suffrage, the venerable John Hooker, made a telling speech; Alice Stone Blackwell, strong in her sweetness, followed; Mrs. Bolles, Mrs. Fenner, full of wit and humor, Mrs. Hooker with old-time vigor, Mrs. Bissell, glowing with her sense of justice, Mrs. Bacon ready with every argument helpful to the cause, proved that women can think and speak as well as men.

At the close of the hearing, Mrs. Forbes spoke on the resolution, and made a most grand and forceful appeal to the General Assembly, to be the first, the very first, of the New England States to grant full suffrage to women. Mrs. Kimball followed with a bit of history, saying, if Connecticut would do this, she would only complete her own work. It was she, of all the States, who put in the entering wedge for full woman suffrage. When projecting the great university at New Haven, the men of Connecticut called the women to vote in a regular organized ecclesiastical council. This is shown in the archives of Yale.

In due time the Legislative Woman Suffrage Committee reported favorably for municipal suffrage, but the bill was killed in the Senate.

The Equal Rights Club appointed Mrs. Bacon and Mrs. Bissell to attend to its bill for a woman factory inspector. The State had one inspector who had three special agents. The bill proposed two salaried inspectors, a man and a woman. It was introduced and referred to the Judiciary Committee—a committee made up entirely of lawyers, nine in number, and a hard one to appear before, especially in this case, as we had reason to believe that they were utterly opposed to it. We obtained for the hearing Mrs. F. P. Palmer, Factory Inspector of Rhode Island, a gracious woman of wide experience. Others spoke to the bill, and very successful the hearing was for all those nine lawyers were converted, and reported unanimously in favor of creating the office with a salary of \$1,200, \$300 less than that paid to the man. Great opposition developed later against the measure among manufacturers in the House, and out of it, doubtless. It was passed by the House, but indefinitely postponed by the Senate. Therefore the 26,225 women and girls employed in factories and workshops of Connecticut remain without anyone of their own sex to look after their interests and necessities.

Mr. Hooker introduced a bill praying that tax-paying women either be allowed to vote or have their taxes abated, which he ably sustained. In Norwich alone, the women pay taxes on over two millions.

As the General Assembly meets only once in two years, this full report of legislative work is given. We have only three clubs, but there are women all over the State working. Mrs. Chaffee, of Middlesex County, inserted thirty-five articles in the "Advertisers," wrote over eighty letters and distributed more than a thousand pages of literature. Mrs. Bennett, Mrs. Hammond, Mrs. Kendrick and Mrs. Fenner could give fine reports of literature distributed, and the growing sympathy for the cause that really exists in the State. The Hartford Equal

Rights Club kept up its well attended meetings fortnightly from October till June. Its Course of Study was liked, and its still able Hon. ex-President, Mrs. Emily P. Collins, has sent in well-digested papers almost every week on the subjects discussed. Mrs. Bacon is a tower of strength, and we are full of hope, like our Foreign Corresponding Secretary, Prof. C. H. Young.

EMILY O. KIMBALL,
President Hartford E. R. Club.

DELAWARE EQUAL SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

Owing to the defeat of the woman suffrage clause in the Constitutional Convention, February 16th, 1897, we have had some difficulty in holding our organization together. The most active opposition in the Convention came from the Anti-Suffrage Association of New York, which sent letters and literature to the Convention, praying that body not to drop the word "male" from the Constitution. After considerable discussion a vote was taken resulting in seven for and seventeen against. What would appear to one outside our ranks to be an overwhelming defeat, was to us a surprise; seven votes were more than we expected.

On account of the expense of the campaign, we were unable to hold our County Conventions last spring, neither have we been able to employ any person to visit our local clubs to inspire fresh interest in the cause. Reports from the various club presidents throughout the State bear witness to the fact that, while there seems to be plenty of sentiment in favor of equal suffrage, it is not possible to hold the clubs together. The county organizations have, therefore, been merged into the State organization, and interested women through the State where there are no local clubs are asked to pay their dues directly into the general treasury.

MARY R. DE VOU, Cor. Secretary.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

We are especially happy in submitting our report to the National Association because of the steadily growing union of feeling and the evident determination to make our organization a power for good in the District of Columbia.

Early in the autumn, through an efficient committee, the status of women in the various hospitals of the city that receive appropriations from Congress was obtained. Another committee was elected to look after the matter of having more police matrons, there being only three. The Federation of Clubs of the District was asked to co-operate with the Suffrage Association in this important measure. That this body of more than four thousand women will secure what they ask for—two matrons for each police station—there is little doubt. Another

committee was appointed to further the establishing of industrial schools on an extended scale; and still another to attend the meetings of the Suffrage Club composed of men, to become conversant with action taken by them in their constant effort to secure suffrage for men in the District.

Through Miss Nettie L. White, who has charge of press work, articles sent to us from National Headquarters have very generally been published in one or two of the city papers, a thing not easy to accomplish, as each letter must be headed with an item of news on the subject of women, either abroad or at home.

Our new Corresponding Secretary, Miss Abbie Nichols, has proved herself most efficient.

The Congressional work is reported elsewhere.

We sent delegates to the "International Congress of Women at Brussels" and to the "Washington Memorial Congress."

Memorial meetings have been held during the year for Dr. Caroline Winslow and Dr. Susan Edson.

Through our Corresponding Secretary we asked to have the new Congressional Library opened on Sundays and evenings. The Librarian replied in a very gracious letter.

In addition to the regular meeting on each second Thursday of the month, the club voted to have entertainments on each fourth Thursday evening at which an admission fee of twenty-five cents (six evenings for \$1.00) should be charged. The printed program has been carried out successfully up to date.

There are now,—March 1st, 1898,—125 active members.

The sum of \$204.64 has been paid into the treasury since last report; \$200.20 has been disbursed.

ELLEN POWELL THOMPSON, President.
ELIZABETH C. BARTON, Rec. Secretary.

GEORGIA WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

The Federation of Women's Clubs in our State has been the whale that has swallowed the suffrage Jonah, and we are looking for grand results in Georgia. The President of the Georgia Federation, Mrs. W. B. Lowe, and Mrs. Mary Brent Read, President of the Atlanta Woman's Club, are as pronounced suffragists as we have ever had the pleasure of meeting, and many of the members are of the same persuasion, but they are certain that now is not the accepted time for the introduction of a suffrage plank into the platform of the Georgia Branch of the Federation of Women's Clubs. We feel sure that it is only a question of time when they will join us in demanding the ballot, which alone will make it possible for them to carry out the measures of reform for which they so earnestly work.

The office of State Librarian was opened by the Legislature last year to the women of the State, but the appointing power was vested

in the Governor, W. Y. Atkinson, and, of course, he appointed a man! It opened the eyes of our women to the fact that Governors will appoint people who can help them to secure an office.

At the last session of the Legislature, a bill was passed making women physicians eligible to any vacancy which might take place on the staff of physicians of the State Lunatic Asylum. Men were not to be excluded from the competitive examination and the examining board is composed entirely of men, so that there is not much chance for a woman to secure the place.

After four years' hard work by the women of Atlanta, one police matron has been employed by the city since May, 1897, but, up to date, she has never received one cent from the municipal government. She is the only police matron in the State.

Our first State President of the Georgia W. S. A., H. Augusta Howard, passed the civil service examination and won the position of money order clerk in the Columbus post office from a large number of competitors.

Fitzgerald, the "Magic City," of Georgia, has a flourishing suffrage association, organized last year with over thirty members, among whom Nettie C. Hall, editor and proprietor of the Fitzgerald "Enterprise," and also a practical pharmacist, is a leading spirit.

Mr. F. H. Richardson, and other influential men of Atlanta, made strenuous efforts to have a woman appointed to fill a vacancy on the School Board, but failed.

A bill is pending in the Legislature to allow women to enter the State University, but strong opposition has developed. With the single exception of the Technological College, all the branch colleges of the University admit girls as well as boys.

MARY L. McLENDON, President.
GERTRUDE G. THOMAS, Rec. Secretary.

ILLINOIS EQUAL SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

In the work of organization has been our chief line of activity during the past year.

In February six meetings were held in the southern part of the State. At four of these places associations already existed, at the other two, associations were formed.

In March a series of two days' conventions was held in the northern part of the State, under the auspices of the National Society. In some of these places County organizations were formed, in others, the work was left in the hands of a local committee.

For May, another campaign under the able management of Mrs. Hutchins, Recording Secretary, was planned, Hon. Martha A. B. Conine, of Colorado, being the chief speaker. In Peoria, Aurora, Elgin and Geneva the Women's Clubs gave to the State Society their co-operation and friendly aid.

The annual State Convention was held in Waukegan the 26th and 27th of May. Hon. Mrs. Conine, member of the Colorado Legislature, Senator Coon, of Waukegan, Helen M. Gougar, of Indiana, and Rev. Olympia Brown, of Wisconsin, favored the Convention with their presence and gave fine addresses.

A National Woman Suffrage Conference was held in Chicago, November 19th and 20th, which was largely attended. Addresses were made by Miss Anthony, Rev. Anna Shaw, Carrie Chapman Catt, and local speakers.

The local associations have held monthly meetings. Our Superintendents in the various lines of suffrage work report considerable progress. Mrs. Julia K. Barnes, of Rockford, who has charge of parlor meetings, reports most excellent results. Mrs. Eva Munson Smith has done most work in the line of Medal Contests, and is much pleased with the results of her year's work, and is still an enthusiastic champion of this method of creating suffrage sentiment among the children and youth of the country. She has held thirty-five suffrage medal contests. The Superintendent of this department of work, Mrs. Carrie Ashton Johnson, has compiled a "Suffrage Speaker for Contests."

As Superintendent of Press Work, Mrs. Elmina Springer has succeeded in inducing twenty-three country newspapers to open their columns to the weekly bulletins sent from National Headquarters. The city press has so far denied us the use of its columns for these bulletins, except in one or two instances, but gives generous space to suffrage work among local leagues.

Mrs. Emmy C. Evald, Superintendent of Work among Foreigners, is President of a large Swedish-American Political Equality League.

Our legislative work in the session of 1897 was for a bill allowing women to vote for presidential electors, county surveyor, sanitary district trustees, and all officers of cities, villages and towns (except police magistrates) and upon all questions submitted to the electors of such municipalities, and also for supervisor, town clerk, assessor, collector, highway commissioner, and also to participate and vote in all annual and special town meetings.

At a special session of the Legislature, called in December, to amend the revenue laws, a bill was introduced exempting from taxation all property belonging to women during such time as the right of suffrage is denied to women.

This last bill has been discussed by the press and people of the State (as it touches the question of revenue), and many who have given the suffrage movement but little consideration heretofore, are now very much interested in the fate of the bill.

In summing up the work of the year, the Society feels encouraged and hopeful for the future. The beginning of the year found us several hundred dollars in debt; its close shows a clean balance sheet and one hundred dollars pledged to the Dakota campaign, which will without doubt be increased to three hundred in the early spring. The

Society has published a monthly paper, "The Woman's Forum," which is also out of debt, and whose subscription list is constantly increasing, under the able business management of Mrs. Frank L. Hubbard.

In recognition of suffrage sentiment, Chicago has given to women the following offices: The Guardianship of Dependent Children, Assistant Corporation Counsel, three members of the Public School Board, ten Factory Inspectors, and two Inspectors of Streets, one of whom has the whole busy down town district under her control, and the other one of the largest and dirtiest wards of the city. Our State University has two women Trustees, and the State Board of Charities has women on it. So cheering is the outlook for suffrage in Illinois that an Anti-Suffrage Society has been formed in Chicago, the first of its kind west of the Alleghenies. The appearance of this society among us is proof that the Illinois Equal Suffrage Association is very much alive, and its influence is feared by women who should have been born in Stamboul, or by the banks of the Ganges, instead of under the "Stars and Stripes" of free America.

JULIA MILLS DUNN, President.

IOWA EQUAL SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

Iowa is awake and sends greeting. Her State Association dates back to June, 1870, since which time work within her borders has not ceased. Of her earliest members a few still remain active and untiring.

Their work was so manifest in the favorable sentiment of the people that the National American Association last year honored our State by coming to its capital city for its Annual Meeting.

Following the Convention at a meeting of the State Executive Committee, the Chairman of the National Organization Committee proposed to the State Society to send workers into the State to cooperate with it in holding a series of County Conventions with a view to the more perfect organization of the State. This kindly and generous offer of help was gratefully accepted. Our own Society extended every possible aid to them in visiting the ninety-nine counties of the State, but as that committee will make its report we will confine ourselves to reporting our own efforts.

The Executive Committee has held twelve meetings arranging State work. Our President spent considerable time this year lecturing and holding parlor meetings. Old clubs were visited, and their membership increased, County Societies strengthened and many new clubs organized.

Mrs. Margaret W. Campbell also did excellent service following the National workers on an extended route, building up County and Local Societies.

New workers from among our own people have enlisted and appeared fully armed, ready for the conflict of ideas.

The State Course of Study of Civil Government is being largely taken up in new clubs. Older ones, having finished it, usually continue with a course in History or Political Science issued by the National Society.

"The Woman's Standard," the State organ, is now nearing the completion of its tenth year. It is ably edited by Roma W. Woods, of Sutherland, and carries to its readers monthly a bulletin of news, correspondence, and the plans for continuous work.

The Annual Meeting of the Iowa Society was held in Des Moines, October 13th to 15th inclusive, with a representative attendance of one hundred and fifteen officers and delegates from twenty-nine counties. Thirty-nine counties made report through the Corresponding Secretary. There were good audiences at all of its sessions.

It was voted almost unanimously to substitute the word "equal" for "woman" in the name of the Society; and hence it is now to be known as the Iowa Equal Suffrage Association, auxiliary and loyal, as before, to the National American Woman Suffrage Association.

The latest official list gives the State ninety-four County Organizations and one hundred and sixty-five Local Clubs.

In chronicling the work of the past year we do not forget to attribute much of its success to the grand work of those pioneers who blazed the way years ago for our footsteps to-day.

But still more subtle and far-reaching for the education of the masses has been the widespread dissemination of literature. Complete lists have been sought of the names and addresses of ministers of all denominations, of teachers, of State and County officials, members of the G. A. R., of the W. R. C., of military companies, Good Templars, business firms, church and temperance societies, of givers in church and philanthropic enterprises, and many others of both men and women; and hundreds of thousands of pages of Equal Suffrage literature have been mailed to all these in their homes, their studies and places of business. Thus have the leaders and thinkers among the people been reached for the moulding of popular sentiment in every town and hamlet even into the farthest corners of the State, wherever there was a post office.

We believe that this education of public opinion is the basis on which we must ever build the complete organization that is to bring the victory.

ADELAIDE BALLARD, President.
MARY J. COGGESHALL, Chairman Ex. Com.
MARTHA C. CALLANAN, Cor. Secretary.

KANSAS EQUAL SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

Petition Work.—Petitions were widely circulated, asking the Legislature to grant Presidential suffrage to Kansas women. The Association departed somewhat from established methods in the manner of

circulating these petitions. The Superintendents of the public schools were appealed to to supervise the work, in many instances successfully.

Legislative Work.—Two bills were introduced in the Legislature, one asking for Presidential Suffrage and the other for Bond Suffrage, but, though strenuous efforts were made, both failed to secure a favorable committee report.

Press Work.—A Press Superintendent was appointed by the State Executive Committee, and is already furnishing suffrage literature regularly to a large number of papers.

State Paper.—"The Kansas Suffrage Reveille" has been published monthly in the interest of the State Association, and tends to unify the work.

Organization.—Laura A. Gregg has devoted a short time to this work and has revived several old organizations while creating new ones. Our active work will, however, come too late to report to this Convention.

Lectures.—Charlotte Perkins Stetson delivered thirteen lectures and parlor talks, in many instances paving the way to organization, and always arousing thought.

State Convention.—The Annual State Convention was held at Yates Centre, December 8th, 9th and 10th.

KATIE R. ADDISON, President.
B. B. BAIRD, Cor. Secretary.

KENTUCKY EQUAL RIGHTS ASSOCIATION.

Every alternate year the Kentucky Equal Rights Association prepares a plan of legislative work to be carried out by the Frankfort Committee, which is elected by the State Convention.

The election of a United States Senator from this State having hindered the legislative work of 1896, the Governor called an extra session of the General Assembly for 1897, and in his proclamation included the School Suffrage Bill, which passed the Senate and was defeated in the House by five votes. At this time one hundred and fifty leaflets of the "Political Equality Series" on school suffrage were distributed.

The principal work undertaken outside that done in the General Assembly, was the employment of an Organizer, according to the plan of the National Organization Committee. Mrs. Emma Smith Devoe, of Illinois, was selected from among those offered by the committee, and came into the State about October 7th, 1897; she formed organizations in Barbourville, London, Cynthiana, Columbus, Arlington and Fulton. At Wilmore and Hickman, where the associations were very weak, she strengthened them greatly. She made addresses in a number of other cities, besides assisting at the two days' Convention at Covington, adding new members and giving inspiration all along the line. Mrs. Devoe has won a warm place in the hearts of Kentucky suffragists, and strengthened the bond of sympathy between us and

our suffrage co-laborers elsewhere. Many of our people have expressed a wish to have her return at some future time. The Kentucky Equal Rights Association feel that bringing her into our midst was a most successful venture. The Executive Committee had raised the amount of one month's salary previous to her coming, but the National Organization Committee donated two weeks of her time (her contribution to National work); this, with the collections, pledges and surplus of the fund already raised, left the association in better condition than it was before.

The State Convention in Covington, October 15th and 16th, 1897, was the largest ever held in Kentucky. The presence of Mrs. Devoe added greatly to its success. Two hundred and fifty leaflets of the political equality series, "Woman Suffrage in the United States," were distributed. The State Convention ordered that a circular letter be sent out every three months by the President and Corresponding Secretary, to each Local Association, enclosing a leaflet to be read to the members. The first one has been sent, stating that the following named bills will be presented to the General Assembly in 1898: "School Suffrage," "To make mandatory the employment of Women Physicians in Insane Asylums," "Co-guardianship of father and mother of minor children," and "A Constitutional Amendment exempting from taxation all women who are disfranchised."

Mrs. Sarah Gibson Humphries, State Superintendent of Press Work, reports a more liberal spirit manifested by the State press in publishing the articles sent out by the National Woman's Suffrage Association.

Hundreds of leaflets and papers have been distributed throughout the State. Suffrage sentiment seems to be increasing and a more generous and just spirit is shown by the present General Assembly, which is composed principally of young men.

LAURA CLAY, President.
EUGENIA B. FARMER, Cor. Secretary.

LOUISIANA WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

Since the last annual report our Association has held only eleven regular, besides several special, meetings, as the epidemic which prevailed in the autumn had the effect of prolonging until December the usual summer suspension of meetings. For these meetings a definite program was arranged, including parliamentary drills and discussion, having for their object to interest women in municipal matters.

A committee of our women investigated the parish prison, the police jail and the precinct stations with especial reference to the accommodations for female prisoners.

Mary C. C. Bradford, of Denver, gave two lectures in February, which had the effect of bringing new members into the Association. The Portia Club, besides its interest in civics, has made a study of Proportional Representation and of Single Tax.

CAROLINE E. MERRICK, President.
MATILDA P. HERO, Cor. Secretary.

MAINE WOMAN'S SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

There are four Local Clubs in the State, the largest of these being the Portland Club. The next in size is the Hampden Club, which is doing earnest, aggressive work for the cause. The aggregate membership of the clubs—members-at-large and life members—is between 140 and 150. We find that the press of Portland has been uniformly courteous and willing to give us all necessary space for publishing articles and notices, and other papers in the State have also consented to be a medium of information on suffrage work.

Copies of the State President's (Mrs. H.J. Bailey) last annual address and much other literature, also papers, have been distributed by workers in every County in the State, and much educational work has been done in the various Women's Clubs.

Mrs. E. H. Osgood has consented to serve the Association as State Organizer the coming year.

LUCY HOBART DAY, President.
HELEN COFFIN BEEDY, Cor. Secretary.

MARYLAND WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

Petitions were sent from our State Convention to our Legislature asking that the word "male" be stricken from our State Constitution, and that the age of protection for girls be raised from fourteen to eighteen years.

We also petitioned Congress to pass a similar law of protection in the District of Columbia and in the Territories.

One of our State Senators is agitating in the Maryland Legislature the subject of granting school suffrage to women, and we welcome this small concession as the harbinger of our full enfranchisement eventually.

MARY BENTLEY THOMAS, President.
MARGARET SMYTH CLARKE, Rec. Secretary.

MASSACHUSETTS WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

The Massachusetts Woman Suffrage Association has this year the largest membership in its history. It and its branches have held 176 public meetings during the year, including largely attended fortnightly meetings at headquarters. The Association has sent 1,024 suffrage articles to 230 newspapers, has distributed 8,067 pages of suffrage literature among the students of nine colleges, and many thousand more among other persons, and has furnished a speaker to any organization willing to hear the subject presented. It has petitioned for municipal and presidential suffrage, and has had hearings before two legislative committees. In February it gave a large reception to Miss Jane Addams, and in May united with the New England Woman Suffrage Association in a

brilliant festival and banquet, with distinguished speakers. It has published six new leaflets and sold \$118 worth of suffrage literature, mostly leaflets at 15 cents per hundred.

In December it held a Suffrage Bazar which cleared \$3,200.

NATIONAL WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION OF MASSACHUSETTS.

The National Woman Suffrage Association of Massachusetts has held six meetings, all public. At each meeting we bring up the various branches of work carried on at the Suffrage Headquarters, and urge our members to help in some way, either by subscribing to the Political Equality Series, or buying the Suffrage stationery or badges. Perhaps the most valuable work accomplished is in getting a bill through our State Legislature providing that men and women register for voting under the same conditions as to time and place, thus leaving no excuse for failing to register. We have circulated suffrage petitions in some of the towns, sent our usual petition to Congress, and responded to all calls for financial help from the National and State Organizations to the extent of a limited treasury. An attempt to get suffrage articles printed regularly in some of the country papers has thus far been almost a failure.

We have placed the three large volumes, "History of Woman Suffrage," in one public free library, and have requested teachers in the town to encourage their pupils to make a study of the subject and to have essays written either with or without prizes.

SALOME MERRITT, President.
LAVINA A. HATCH, Secretary.

MICHIGAN EQUAL SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

The principal work of the year was done in the Legislature during January, February and March.

A bill prepared by Hon. J. T. Campbell, of Mason, making mandatory the appointment of at least two women on the Board of Trustees of each Insane Asylum, was introduced by Hon. Austin M. Kimmis.

The Equal Suffrage Association sent its Chairman of Legislative Committee, Mary L. Doe, to Lansing to work for this measure, which also received the support of the State Federation of Women's Clubs and other organized bodies of women, but in spite of many petitions in its favor, it was finally killed by indefinite postponement.

But although the Senate treated thus cavalierly the pleas of thousands of its women citizens, Governor Pingree, on April 15th, appointed Mrs. Jane M. Kinney, of Port Huron, member of the Board of the Eastern Asylum for the Insane, at Pontiac, for a term of six years; the Senate confirmed this after twenty days' delay.

The Governor also reappointed Mrs. Allaseba M. Bliss, of Saginaw, member of the Board of the State Industrial School for Girls.

On February 19th another bill, prepared by Hon. J. T. Campbell, was introduced by Mr. Kimmis, providing for female physicians and attendants for female patients in asylums for the insane. A bill of similar import was also introduced by Hon. C. W. McGill. The first bill passed the House by a vote of 67 to 8. In the Senate it was referred to the Joint Committee on the Insane and Home for the Feeble-minded.

At a hearing given by this committee, our President, May S. Knags, spoke for the bill, together with representatives of several other women's organizations and several prominent men. The Superintendent of the three insane asylums with two members of the Boards of Control, opposed it. In spite of strongly expressed public sentiment, the Senate defeated the bill.

A bill providing for the appointment of police matrons in every city of ten thousand inhabitants or upwards, introduced by Representative Donovan, passed both Houses and became law. The Detroit Protective Agency for Women and Children prepared several valuable bills which were introduced by Representative Wetherbee.

One provided that "A husband or wife may testify for or against each other without his or her consent in criminal prosecutions for bigamy, incest, murder, rape, and taking indecent liberties with female children." The Judiciary Committee of the House struck out all but the bigamy clause, and in this form it passed both Houses, a main objection being that "it would disturb the harmony of the domestic relations."

A "Tuant Parents' Act" provided that any parent or guardian who neglects to provide for or abandons a child under sixteen years of age shall be imprisoned at hard labor for not more than one year or less than three months, with provision for suspended sentence under \$1,000 surety, became law. But a bill to strike out the word "elector" from the necessary qualifications of the city physicians of Detroit, died in committee, although the women engaged in the benevolent work of that city, see the great need of women physicians in many places.

An amendment to existing laws provided that in factories where even one woman is employed separate closets must be maintained. A bill introduced by Hon. E. E. Bostwick of the Senate, to fix the age of consent at eighteen years (it is now sixteen), died in committee. Also a Senate bill providing that to secure conviction under the Age of Consent Law, previous chaste character must be proven where the age is from thirteen to sixteen and the accused is eighteen or under. Also a Senate bill to amend the marriage laws so as to make it legal, in certain cases, to grant a marriage license when the girl is only fourteen years of age.

The Thirteenth Annual Meeting of the State Association was held in Vermontville, Eaton County, May 11th, 12th and 13th. In November, at the solicitation of the Chairman of National Organization Committee, a "Conference" was held between the National and State officers, at Grand Rapids, with a two days' public meeting at which Miss Anthony, Rev. Anna H. Shaw, and Miss Hay were present with Mrs. Catt, Miss Hay presiding, and an interesting program was carried out, contributed to by women from various parts of the State. This visit from our National leaders stirred the pulses of our workers to a new activity and gave truer views of our aims to a large number of women and some men. The great success of this meeting was largely due to the indefatigable zeal and devotion of the State Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Emily B. Ketcham, who had entire charge of the arrangements.

MAY STOCKING KNAGS, President.
EDITH FRANCES HALL, Secretary.

MINNESOTA WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

In April, 1897, our faithful president, Julia B. Nelson, of Red Wing, sent her resignation to the Executive Committee. During the month of October, Concheta Ferris Lutz, Vice-President and Acting-President, delivered ten lectures and organized five new clubs. The National Conference held in Minneapolis in connection with our State Convention, was a complete success, and was the greatest inspiration the suffrage cause has ever had in Minnesota. Dr. Cora Smith Eaton, of Minneapolis, who was Chairman of the Arrangement Committee, deserves much credit. She was ably assisted by Dr. Martha G. Ripley and Mrs. Sanford Niles, who are among the early and staunch advocates of woman suffrage in the State. The Conference was held in the First Baptist Church, one of the largest and most popular churches in the city. The morning sessions were well attended and both the afternoon and evening sessions full. Sunday evening, preceding the Conference, Rev. Anna Shaw preached in the Universalist Church and Mrs. Catt lectured in Wesley

An act was passed to prohibit using indecent, immoral, obscene or insulting language in the presence of any woman or child within the State. Also an act to prohibit the employment of females as bar-keepers, or to serve liquors, or for dancing, or to furnish music in any saloon or barroom where liquors are sold. The Chairman of Legislative Committee was in attendance at the Legislature for nine consecutive weeks, and gave such assistance as was possible to the bills of the Protective Agency and other worthy attempts at legislation in behalf of women and children, the Protective Agency and the Ladies of the Macabees contributing toward her expenses.

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M. E. Church. Both spoke to crowded houses. Monday evening when Miss Anthony and Mrs. Catt lectured, every foot of standing room was occupied, and hundreds went away. The following evening when Rev. Anna Shaw gave her lecture on "The Fate of Republics," the church was crowded beyond comfort, and she was greeted with repeated applause from the beginning to the close.

The sentiment awakened at this time was rapidly crystallized, and Political Equality Clubs have been organized in six different wards of Minneapolis by Dr. Cora Smith Eaton, the Local Organizer.

At present we can report only twenty active clubs, and as the State is very large, we shall endeavor to organize only the first three southern tiers of counties this year.

We have a larger number of active suffragists in the State than ever before and the outlook is very hopeful.

CONCHETA FERRIS LUTZ, President.

MISSISSIPPI WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

Through the liberality of the National Association, the Mississippi Association was formed May 5th, 1897.

As the result of the work done in '95 by Mrs. Catt and Miss Yates, and in '97, by Miss Harrison and Mrs. Bradford, there were six clubs, five incomplete organizations and names of friends in twenty-four towns. Thus there was an entering wedge in thirty-five towns. The Corresponding Secretary and myself began a course of letter writing, which has been kept up persistently except during the weeks of the yellow fever epidemic. Clubs were urged to do regular work, an effort was made to replace incomplete organizations with complete ones, and all known friends were urged to join the State Association.

Soon after the Convention of May 5th, 1897, a letter announcing the organization and outlining a plan of work was printed and 200 copies distributed. In this distribution all known friends and some enemies were remembered. A report of our organization with a directory and constitution has been published and 300 copies distributed. By the close of the year the leaflets sent out will amount to fully 600. Copies of our report have been sent to fifty-five newspapers, and will be sent to every paper in the State as soon as their addresses can be obtained. Realizing that work cannot be done without workers and that no organization can live without a paying membership, our work has been mainly in the line of inquiry, to find our friends and transform them into paying members.

As a report of tangible results, the best thing that can be said is that the State Treasurer has heard from nine towns. Besides this ten places have promised financial support.

Plans for a State Convention, to be held in Greenville in March, are in progress. The officers elected were without experience, persons who could not leave home to do organizing work, and the treasury was

empty. Without claiming that much has been accomplished, we feel that faithful and unselfish work has been done. More could not be asked or expected of anyone.

In conclusion, whatever may be the difficulties of the work one thing is certain beyond the shadow of a doubt, there are in Mississippi at least a few who will support this cause while life shall last.

NELLIE N. SOMERVILLE, President.

MISSOURI EQUAL SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

The Missouri work is moving at a perceptible pace. In February Mrs. Mary C. C. Bradford, of Denver, spent three weeks in our State organizing. The President gave a month in field work in the early fall. The Annual Convention held in Bethany, Harrison County, in December was well attended and business-like. It was there decided to keep an organizer in the field and to pay our Corresponding Secretary a salary. Mrs. Laura Johns, at the request of the National Association, stopped en route to her home, and spoke for us two nights of our Convention. We have clubs in St. Louis, Springfield, Carthage, Kansas City, St. Joe, Bethany, Oregon, Ridgeway, Blythedale, Hopkins, Chillicothe and La Belle.

It has been decided by the Supreme Court of Missouri that a woman may hold any office from which she is not debarred by our Constitution and under this decision four women hold the office of County School Commissioner, in our State an elective office, though a woman is not eligible as a member of a School Board.

Missouri has a State Board of Charity two of whose members are women. St. Louis, Kansas City, and St. Joe have police and depot matrons. Miss O'Neal, of St. Louis, is an Inspector of Shops and Stores, also is at the head of the Free Employment Bureau established by the Department of Agriculture. The prospects for '98 are very cheering.

ELLA HARRISON, President.
SUE DE HAVEN, Rec. Secretary.

MONTANA WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

The first work of the Montana Woman Suffrage Association, during the past year, was sending to the various clubs and workers in the cause throughout the State, petitions to be circulated for signatures and returned to the State President, to be by her presented to the Legislative Assembly asking that body to submit a Constitutional Amendment granting the right of suffrage to women. These petitions were not sent out until after the close of the State Convention, the time for circulation being less than six weeks, but the women in the various counties worked exceedingly well, with the result that the President received petitions signed by nearly 2,500 of the best citizens

of Montana. These were forwarded to the Legislative Assembly, and constituted the largest petition presented to that body during its session, and one legislator asserted that the suffrage bill was the best lobbied bill, and the suffragists the best lobbyists they encountered during their session.

When the bill reached the House, Mrs. Ella Knowles Haskell and Miss Sarepta Sanders were invited to address that body upon its merits. Upon motion, Mrs. Haskell was asked to address the House before there was any discussion of the measure by the members in committee of the whole. Mrs. Haskell presented the measure in her usual forcible and eloquent manner, setting forth the various points clearly and practically. After the discussion by the committee of the whole, Miss Sarepta Sanders spoke briefly upon the measure in a dignified and effective manner. The committee of the whole reported the bill for the amendment back to the House, with the recommendation that it pass, but some of the members disregarded the pledges previously made, and, as the amendment required a two-thirds majority, it was lost by five votes.

There have been 270 letters sent out by the Corresponding Secretary urging upon the women of the State the importance of this great work, trying to impress them with the fact that every woman has a work to do, and that, if we succeed at all, every woman must be ready and willing to help, trying to organize clubs where there were none, and doing generally whatever seemed needed most at that time. There have been a large number of postals written, and quite a quantity of literature distributed throughout the State.

In November, 1897, a large and successful State Convention was held in the city of Helena, at which a political party with one plank—equal suffrage—was formed. A State Central Committee, with Mrs. Ella Knowles Haskell as chairman, was organized with members in nearly every county in the State.

At the State Convention some of the most eminent men in the State made addresses declaring themselves in favor of suffrage. The program held the interest of the public from the first session of the Convention until the last.

An able corps of officers, with Madam Medini as President, was elected, and upon the whole, we are well satisfied with the growth of the cause in Montana during the last year.

DORA D. WRIGHT, Corresponding Secretary.

NEBRASKA WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

The Nebraska Legislature held its biennial session last year. Several bills of importance to women were introduced, among them the following: Municipal suffrage for women; a bill to allow only tax payers, regardless of sex, to vote for bonds, etc.; a memorial asking Congress to pass the sixteenth amendment; a bill for a suffrage

amendment; a bill to make the right of the surviving husband or wife equal in the family estate; and one striking out the chastity clause in the law which protects a girl to the age of eighteen years. None of these passed.

On February 1st, both branches of the Legislature adopted a resolution requesting the President of the State Suffrage Association to address them on the following day. Her addresses were well received and the subject treated with the utmost respect. Immediately afterward the House Committee on Constitutional Amendments had a meeting and recommended the passage of a resolution proposing an amendment to the State Constitution by striking the word "male" out of the qualifications for electors. The bill was, later in the session, lost.

During this visit to Lincoln, Mrs. Colby organized a Lincoln W. S. A., which has since done splendid work under the leadership of Dr. Inez Philbrick. This society made very successful local arrangements for the sixteenth annual meeting of the State Association, September 30th and October 1st. Ida Crouch Hazlett, of Denver, assisted at the Convention, and was employed by the Executive Committee for one month to lecture and organize under the direction of Mrs. Marble, of Table Rock, President of the First Judicial District. Mrs. Hazlett organized fifteen societies, many of which have taken hold of suffrage work under the fostering care of Mrs. Marble. She reported the sentiment in Nebraska unusually good. Mrs. Hazlett has been engaged to work during March of this year under the direction of Mrs. S. A. Kendall, of North Bend, President of the Sixth Judicial District.

The association at Lincoln celebrated Elizabeth Cady Stanton's eighty-third birthday, November 12th.

CLARA BEWICK COLBY, President.

NEVADA STATE EQUAL SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

The important educational work accomplished by our State Association the past year has been by means of petition and legislative work, distribution of literature, lectures, parlor talks, canvass, and the establishment of the "Nevada Citizen," a monthly paper (edited by Frances A. Williamson), devoted to the equal suffrage cause and the advancement of women.

Field Work.—Our State Organizer was in the field nearly four months. During that time she visited every community in the west and northwestern portions of the State. Her lectures were well attended and much enthusiasm was awakened. A canvass for the "Nevada Citizen" was made also, and the face to face explanation of the suffrage question seemed to complete this line of work in every detail.

Press Work.—Susan Humphreys, Superintendent of Press Work, reports having sent over five hundred suffrage articles, and the sev-

eral papers throughout the State willingly published them, either as a whole or in a condensed form. Many of these articles were sent to news stands, business houses, and to the rural districts along the stage lines.

Annual Convention.—The Third Annual Convention, held at Carson, October 30th, was a grand success. Reports of officers showed satisfactory gains in every line of work, save finance. We much regret not being able to report a larger paid-up membership. This is to be attributed to the "dull times," not to want of interest in the cause. Though financially weak, we are numerically strong.

Nevada being a State of immense distances and great traveling expense, the tour through the eastern and southern portions of the State was postponed until next year. We are trying to supply the deficiency by the free distribution of suffrage literature and "Nevada Citizen," also by appointing Correspondence Committees to co-operate with the State Association.

Suffrage Amendment.—Our proposed amendment passed the Senate by a two-thirds vote, but was defeated in the House by a tie vote. We will petition next Legislature with renewed determination.

ELDA A. ORR, President.
CATHARINE SHAW, Cor. Secretary.

NEW JERSEY WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

The Legislature of New Jersey, in March, 1897, passed for the third time, with some slight alterations, and for the second time without change, the amendment to the Constitution of the State restoring to women the right to vote for School Trustees at School Meetings (i. e. in rural districts). We had asked to have school suffrage conferred upon women in cities also, but the Legislature was not willing to grant this new privilege.

The chief work of the year for our Association was, therefore, the campaign in behalf of this amendment.

The school suffrage for women in New Jersey is in a somewhat peculiar condition. From 1887 to 1894 women attended school meetings in increasing numbers and voted on all questions coming before them. In 1894 the Supreme Court decided that it was contrary to the Constitution for them to vote for School Trustees, since the Constitution declares that only male citizens, over 21 years of age, shall vote for officers elective by the people. All other rights of women at school meetings, however still remain to them—such as voting for appropriations, for new school houses, acting as teller or chairman, nominating a candidate for the school board, or being nominated as one, or elected as School Trustee, for women have served in this capacity in New Jersey since 1873.

Our campaign, owing to unfavorable time of year (the special election was on September 28th) and the consequent absence of many of

our members from the State, the lack of funds, of a strong organization, and the loss on account of domestic bereavement of our valued Press Agent, was necessarily conducted on a very modest scale. Our warm thanks are due to the National Organization Committee, which assisted us materially by mimeographing a large number of documents sent to the newspapers and to private individuals. Some public meetings were held in the spring, and articles sent to the papers, explaining the scope of the amendment. Through our efforts the State Federation of Woman's Clubs, the W. C. T. U., the Ladies of the G. A. R., and others, gave endorsement to the amendment as an educational measure.

During the Summer an extensive correspondence was carried on with the educational authorities of the State, and with other people prominent in various lines, asking signatures to "An Appeal to the Friends of Education," clearly setting forth the condition of school suffrage in our State and the advantages of the proposed amendment. We obtained the 100 signatures we desired, and the document was then reprinted with the names; it was sent to the press throughout the State for publication and also to the clergy, with the request that they would use their influence in its behalf with their congregations. A number did so, but probably many were afraid to speak on this subject, fearing to injure the chances of the Anti-Gambling amendment, in which they were specially interested, and which was to be voted upon at the same election.

A very gratifying result of the correspondence with the school authorities of the State was the receipt of letters from them, strongly endorsing the amendment and recounting the benefits which school suffrage for women had brought to the schools within their experience.

Public meetings were held in September, and efforts made to have our amendment presented at the meetings held in behalf of the anti-race-track amendment. The State Executive Committee of the Republican party endorsed our measure with the others, and some County Committees did likewise.

The result of the election was a great surprise and disappointment. The school suffrage amendment—to which it was supposed there would be no opposition—was defeated by some 10,000 majority, while the others were carried by a very small margin.

An analysis of the vote shows that the country districts, which had had and still have school suffrage for women, and, therefore, understand its workings, generally voted in favor of our amendment, while the cities, which had not had this experience, voted against it.

In spite of this defeat at the polls the agitation of the school suffrage question has produced beneficial results in other directions. Thus, through the efforts of our Association the women of the State have been brought to understand that they still possess important rights at school meetings, and to exercise those rights once more.

We have caused one Town Council to change its mind, and have had the happiness of hearing that a much-needed new school house was to be built as the direct result of the women's votes, these in turn being the direct result of information furnished by our Association. In other localities in the State new school houses have been secured by the votes of women, and the question has been brought to the attention of the thinking public in a manner calculated to pave the way for future success.

A new League has been organized at Moorestown, N. J. The Camden League reports regular meetings and good work. The Essex County and Union County Associations have continued to help the State Association, and the formation of two Political Study Clubs in the former County shows the vitality of the organization.

FLORENCE HOWE HALL, President.

NEW YORK STATE WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

New York comes to you with our thousand-dollar pledge to the National paid, with organization in 9 new counties, with 89 clubs, nearly 2,000 due-paying members, with 160 papers using suffrage articles in manuscript, as sent by our Press Superintendent, and 50 more her stereotyped matter. The expense prevents us from supplying all who would take the suffrage plates.

We have had our sorrows, for one of our faithful and best beloved workers, Mrs. Maude S. Humphrey, has passed over to the other side, and we were left to take up her broken threads and weave them in as best we could.

You may have heard of our little flurry over the small rag of school suffrage we still fly to the breeze and which stirred us all up so that we brought in, for men and women both, the largest school vote of many years. A bill was introduced into the Legislature which threatened its extinction for us, and now we are all watching to see what comes next. We have a concurrent resolution in the Legislature about that little four-lettered word which has such astonishing pertinacity in maintaining its place.

But I have saved my best for the last. Our Superintendent of Public Works at Albany has suddenly and magnanimously discovered, while doing some historical carving in the State House, that history has something to do with women as well as men, and so in the buttresses of the grand stairway will be the heads of four women: Moll Pitcher, of Revolutionary fame; Harriet Beecher Stowe, of anti-slavery record; Clara Barton, the heroine of mercy; and that of the woman who now leads the greatest reform the world has yet seen, our beloved President, Susan B. Anthony. She goes into our State House to stay forever.

MARIANA W. CHAPMAN, President.

NORTH DAKOTA EQUAL SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

Our State E. S. A. having suffered a loss by the removal from the State of its first President, Dr. Cora Smith Eaton, and, hence, having become somewhat inactive, an extra session was called for "Woman's Day" at our State Chautauqua last July. Dr. Eaton was present and offered her resignation, which was accepted.

Mrs. Julia B. Nelson, of Minnesota, was chosen chairman of the meeting.

Temporary officers were elected to fill out the term until the regular annual meeting, which, according to the constitution, must be held in October or November. Nothing was done from that time until the middle of September, when the temporary President, Miss Whedon, of Fargo, began the work of organization.

As she could not at that time leave home, all her work was done by correspondence; five clubs were organized in different parts of the State, and individual members were obtained wherever possible.

The State Convention was held November 31st at Fargo; it found us with about 30 members in the State and left us with 50, which number has gradually increased to 120.

Since the Convention another Club has been organized. Three of the six Clubs are taking the course of study sent out by the N. A. W. S. A. Our plan of work for the year is to build for the future by creating and educating public sentiment in favor of the justice of our cause.

This is being done by public speaking, contests, press work from the National Headquarters, and the distribution of suffrage leaflets.

DELLA LEE HYDE, Cor. and Rec. Secretary.

OHIO WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

Our Twelfth Annual Convention was held in Alliance, October 6th and 7th. Much accumulated business was disposed of, and the good feeling which prevailed throughout the sessions must tend to build up the Association.

A conference of the National officers and the Executive Committee of the State Association was held in Toledo, November 26th and 27th. All the officers of the State Association, except one, were present, and the National officers in attendance were Susan B. Anthony, Rev. Anna H. Shaw, Carrie Chapman Catt and Harriet Taylor Upton. Mary G. Hay, one of the National organizers, presided at the day meetings, and Caroline McCullough Everhard, our State President, was invited to preside at the evening sessions.

Five Executive Meetings were held during the year; one in Cleveland, two in Alliance, two in Toledo. The chief business of the Toledo Executive Meetings was to adopt some plan of action to prevent the repeal of the School Suffrage Law, which has been threatened by the Cleveland Board of Elections. Petitions, asking the Legisla-

ture not to consider such a preposterous measure, have been sent to all auxiliary Clubs and to friends of suffrage throughout the State.

CAROLINE McCULLOUGH EVERHARD, President.

MANTIE L. HUNTER, Recording Secretary.

OREGON STATE EQUAL SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

The Oregon State Equal Suffrage Association has been quietly but actively busy during the past year, laying plans to secure favorable action upon its proposed amendment to the State Constitution, which failed of ratification in the Assembly of 1897 only because the Legislature failed to organize on account of a disagreement among its members. The proposed amendment is in excellent shape for ratification, but the delay has compelled us to lie upon our oars for two years.

ABIGAIL SCOTT DUNIWAY, President.

MARY SCHAFFER WARD, Secretary.

PENNSYLVANIA WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

The zeal of our organized suffrage workers is unabated. The various county auxiliaries have held regular meetings and kept our banner floating.

The State Chairman of Press Committee, Ida Porter Boyer, has sent out to the newspapers of the State 13,337 mimeographed copies of articles received from National Headquarters. Last year 184 newspapers reported themselves friendly to woman suffrage; this year 220, an increase of 36.

Suffrage literature has been sent to 403 schools and colleges. Twenty-five copies of the "Woman's Column" are sent weekly to schools and colleges in different parts of the State. Through local and county workers, several thousand sheets of suffrage literature have been distributed.

As Legislative work, we had a bill prepared and presented to the Legislature placing men and women upon an equality before the law in the distribution of intestate estates. It failed to pass. The honorable gentlemen told us they "did not like to change good old established laws." The Intestate Law was passed in 1833, and belongs to the days of candles and stage coaches. Our Legislative campaign culminated in a mass meeting held in the hall of the House of Representatives at Harrisburg.

We hail with joy the rapidly increasing interest manifested in civics by the Federated Clubs of the State. While this line of work does not claim to be for suffrage, it is so closely affiliated that we regard every effort on the part of women to understand civic conditions and politics as helpful to our cause.

LUCRETIA L. BLANKENBURG, President.

MARY B. LUCKIE, Cor. Secretary.

THE RHODE ISLAND WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

The most important work done by the Rhode Island Woman Suffrage Association in 1897 was with the commission appointed by the Governor to revise the State Constitution. This commission gave several public hearings, one of which, held on May 11th, was devoted exclusively to woman suffrage. Rev. Anna Garlin Spencer opened the hearing with a most able presentation of the question. The professions were quite conspicuous, with Mrs. Spencer representing women in the ministry; Dr. Helen C. Putnam, those in medicine; Mrs. Mary Frost Evans, those in the editorial chair, and Miss Sarah E. Doyle, the teachers in the public schools. Mrs. Mary A. Babcock and Mrs. A. B. E. Jackson represented the W. C. T. U.; Mrs. L. G. C. Knickerbocker and Mrs. S. M. Aldrich, women in private life, while the W. S. A. contributed Mrs. J. S. French, Mrs. A. C. Dewing and Mrs. Ellen M. Bolles as advocates conspicuous in its ranks. Edwin C. Pierce, Esq., and Rabbi David Blaustein, members of the Association, also spoke in favor of suffrage for women.

The members of the commission seemed much impressed at the time; but they promptly forgot the strength of the arguments advanced, and finally decided it would be inexpedient to introduce a woman suffrage clause in the revised Constitution, lest it endanger the acceptance of the instrument when it should come before the voters. In October, on consulting the chairman of the commission, Ex-Chief Justice Durfee, it was learned that the impression prevailed among the members of the commission that woman suffragists would be indignant if anything less than full suffrage to women should be offered them. Accordingly, a letter was prepared by the Association and presented to the commission asking that the power to extend suffrage to women at its discretion be given to the Legislature by the revised Constitution. The commission has not yet reported, hence it is not known what action will be taken upon the letter.

Other noteworthy events of the year were the annual banquet of which, thus reaching many persons who generally hear little or nothing regarding woman suffrage.

Considerable work has been done in various parts of the State. Regular meetings have been held by the Anthony, Little Compton, Pawtucket and Providence Leagues. The latter also arranged four parlor meetings in different parts of the city, thereby reaching a class of hearers who do not attend advertised public meetings. The Association also held meetings in Olneyville, Pawtucket, and East Greenwich, thus reaching many persons who generally hear little or nothing regarding woman suffrage.

A course of lectures was held in Westerly and East Greenwich in October and November under the auspices of the R. I. W. S. A. and the local W. C. T. U. of each place.

The articles prepared by the Press Committee of the National Association have been sent regularly to one fortnightly, four daily

and four weekly papers in different parts of the State. These have been used regularly by the daily and the fortnightly papers and occasionally by the weeklies.

Mrs. Anna E. Aldrich, the last survivor of the original members of the State Association, with the exception of Mrs. Elizabeth Buffum Chace, has recently passed away. This is a great loss to the Association and to the whole community as well; for Mrs. Aldrich was an active worker for many years in all efforts to promote the welfare of her sex. She was chairman of the Executive Committee of the R. I. W. S. A. for eight years, and was the Rhode Island member of the Executive Committee of the National W. S. A. at the time of her death. It will be difficult, if not impossible, to fill her place.

ARDELIA C. DEWING, Acting President.
ELLEN M. BOLLES, Recording Secretary.

SOUTH CAROLINA EQUAL RIGHTS ASSOCIATION.

Our Association, as represented by certain very active members engaged in newspaper work, has been busy for the last twelve months creating suffrage sentiment through the public press.

A new outflowing of suffrage zeal in Charleston has taken shape in a club called "The Era"—the name being spelled from the initial letters of the "Equal Rights Association" of the State.

This club, presided over by Miss Claudia Tharin, has so worked up public sentiment that an organized effort is now making for the establishment of a home for fallen and repentant women in Charleston. So well has the project been managed that its work is heralded in the leading paper of the city, under the headlines, "Ministering Angels, These."

The last Legislature made seduction under promise of marriage an offence to be punished by a fine of not less than five hundred dollars nor more than five thousand, or imprisonment for not less than six months nor more than five years, either or both at the discretion of the court.

Mrs. Young has now established the paper of which she is editor at her own town of Fairfax, which gives her great advantages in her work. The name of another pronounced woman suffragist, Miss Mary Hemphill, appears at the head of her paper, in conjunction with that of her father, Gen. R. R. Hemphill, always the faithful friend of woman suffragists, as editor of the Abbeville "Medium." We know our cause is growing.

VIRGINIA D. YOUNG, President.
MARION MORGAN BUCKNER, Rec. Secretary.

SOUTH DAKOTA EQUAL RIGHTS ASSOCIATION.

The campaign of 1898 is upon us in South Dakota. The goal is within our reach. The Legislature of 1897 submitted the question of

granting full suffrage to the women of our State to a vote of the men people. Immediately at the close of the Legislature, plans were laid to begin the work of organizing the State. Emma H. Cranmer, of Aberdeen, a very popular and winning woman, was sent into the northern part of the State, and the State President into the southern part. The work they accomplished under many difficulties was supplemented by our beloved National Association making a sweep of County Conventions during October and November. This was greatly appreciated by the State Association, as the work which it had begun was thus followed by good county organizations wherever they went, except at Redfield, where they were not ready to take up the work.

Our State Association is determined that our work shall be carried on separate from all other issues and from the standpoint of justice and liberty. It will not be due to our S. D. E. S. A. if any other organization in its anxiety to help the cause, takes up the work.

A noble South Dakota woman, Mrs. C. C. King, is carrying financially, almost alone, our "South Dakota Messenger" (campaign paper). This affords us an excellent medium of communication. It brings every month, the news from the field of work being done in the State. Any suffragist getting up an entertainment and sending the proceeds to the State Treasurer, Marion L. Bennett, Clark, S. D., will greatly help our cause, as funds are badly needed to push the campaign. Let all lovers of justice and liberty rally around us in our efforts for enfranchisement.

ANNA R. SIMMONS, President.

TENNESSEE EQUAL RIGHTS ASSOCIATION.

With a sad heart I take up the pen of a faithful worker who has laid it down forever. Our State Corresponding Secretary, Mary Wilson McTeer, was taken home on January 4th, 1898. She was such a worker as is seldom found, and I feel that we shall not be able to fill her place.

At the close of 1896 Tennessee had five organized Equal Suffrage Clubs. At the close of 1897 she can report ten. Ten dollars has been sent to our National Treasurer, and, for the first time in our history, Tennessee is entitled to a delegate on paid membership.

During our working season, viz.: from October until June, the Memphis Club held semi-monthly meetings; one for business and study, held at the home of the President; and the other a public meeting, held in the Woman's Council Hall, at which addresses were made, papers read, literature circulated, suffrage songs sung, and the general public cordially invited. Miss Anthony's birthday was celebrated by the largest meeting of the season. A petition for full suffrage for Tennessee women has been circulated by the club, and the President alone has secured three hundred signatures.

Mrs. Meriwether also addressed other organizations by invitation.

had good audiences, secured new members, and was urged to come again.

Jonesboro Club holds regular monthly meetings and reports two successful public meetings during the year. With sincere sorrow we record the death of its President, Robert Arthur Simpson. The Tullahoma Club holds its regular meetings, and also holds public meetings. McKenzie is one of the new clubs, organized by Miss Griffin in May, 1897. Some of its members have been active working suffragists for many years. The Maryville Club, of twenty-five members, celebrated Mrs. Stanton's birthday in a charming manner. The meeting was held at the house of the President, Mrs. McTeer; college students and other societies were invited, and nearly a hundred guests responded.

LIDE MERIWETHER, Acting Cor. Secretary.

VIRGINIA WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

We regret that we cannot report regular organization in Virginia. We have a few scattered suffragists in Manassas, Culpeper, Charlottesville, Lynchburg, Staunton, Winchester, Richmond, and at other points. Some of these are teachers and fear they may lose their occupation if they avow themselves suffragists. There is a steady increase of progressive sentiment in the State, particularly with the young people. This would be greater but for the determined opposition of many of the clergy. Our customs are rapidly changing. It is now not uncommon for women to speak from the platform, sometimes from the pulpit, in Virginia. Some women hold public positions. There is a matron at the penitentiary, a woman doctor at the Western Lunatic Asylum, and four-fifths of our public school teachers are women. We circulate much suffrage literature and find people glad to read it.

ORRA LANGHORNE, President.
ELIZABETH B. DODGE, Secretary.

WISCONSIN WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

The number of calls for literature for debates shows an increased interest in our cause. We have more women serving as County Superintendents of Schools and as School Directors. Women take an active part in all district school meetings when the district is not dominated by foreigners. One woman has been appointed City Physician in spite of the law to the contrary, and one of our most prominent State workers, Dr. Maybelle Park, of Waukesha, serves as County Physician, the first woman to hold the office in the State. Our paid-up membership is 117, our working clubs thirteen. Many of these need rousing; they need cheer and encouragement which we hope to be able to give them with the aid of our National workers in the spring.

Our most important work of the year has been introducing our State paper, "The Citizen," as a missionary into new fields; 2,000 copies have been printed each month and sent to members, subscribers, colleges, high school reading rooms and public libraries.

Our annual convention was held in October at Monroe. It was harmonious and enthusiastic and resulted in many of the societies pledging to help on the work by raising money and securing subscriptions for the "Citizen."

The National Association Conference held in November in Madison was attended by our Executive Board and members from a number of associations and we hope for very favorable results.

ELLEN A. ROSE, Chairman Ex. Committee.
DORA L. PUTNAM, Treasurer.
MARION W. HAMILTON, Secretary.

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THE TREASURER HARRIET TAYLOR UPTON IN ACCOUNT WITH THE
NATIONAL-AMERICAN WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

Receipts.

ALABAMA.

McCarty, Mrs. B. B. (General Treasury) 1 00

Humes, Mrs. Milton (Organization Committee) \$1 00

Vaughan, Bessie A. 25 50

ARIZONA.

Blakely, Mrs. Wm. G. (Organization Committee) \$ 50

Clark, Mrs. John 50

Reed, James M. 25

Watkins, Jessie T. 25

Watrous, Kate H. 25 2 00

ARKANSAS.

Aux. Dues (General Treasury) 3 00

McDiarmid, Clara A. (Organization Committee) \$3 00

CALIFORNIA.

Aux. Dues (General Treasury) \$27 30

Avery, Dr. Alida C. 1 00

Cohen, Emilie G. 2 00

Cooper, Charlotte M. 3 50

Faulken, Mary E. 1 00

Goodrich, A. L. and A. R. 12 00

Montgomery, Sarah L. Knox 20 00

Montgomery, Ellen Sargent 2 00

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Sargent, Ellen C. 2 00

Sargent, Dr. Elizabeth 2 00

Sargent, George C. 2 00

Sargent, Hannah More 2 00

Stearns, Sarah B. 1 00

Watson, Charlotte Perkins 1 00

Watson, Elizabeth Lowe 1 00

Watson, Lucetta 1 00

(Organization Committee.)

Avery, Dr. Alida C. 25

Baker, Dr. Sarah B. 25

Baker, Nellie M. 25

Ballou, Mrs. G. H. 25

Bradford, Marie E. 25

Brimblecorn, Lucy A. 25

Bryan, Laura C. 25

Butt, Mrs. A. F. 1 00

Cooper, Charlotte M. 25

Craig, Mrs. M. E. 25

Cunningham, J. 25

Danks, Mrs. C. L. 25

Darling, Mary A. 25

Delano, Miss 25

Faulken, A. L. 1 00

Faulken, A. R. 1 00

Fish, Frances Webster 25

Gills, Esther 25

Goodrich, Sarah Hayes 25

Hale, Mrs. D. P. 25

Hay, Mrs. D. P. 75 25

Hobbs, Mrs. G. 10 00

Johnson, Mrs. H. A. 25

Kelly, Mrs. L. A. 25

Kidd, Mrs. J. C. 25

Lloyd, Mrs. P. A. 25

Mabury, Myrtle 25

Maddox, Charlotte 25

Marshall, Virginia K. 25

Maynard, Mrs. A. S. 25

Morse, Mrs. C. C. 25

No name, Mrs. M. B. 25

Perry, Caroline (Stockton) 25

Pillsbury, Mrs. A. J. 25

Reed, Anna M. 25

MINUTES OF THE SUFFRAGE CONVENTION.

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| Rooney, V. E. | 25 | |
| Sargent, Dr. Elizabeth | 5 00 | |
| Sargent, Ellen C. | 20 00 | |
| Schermerhorn, Dr. R. Anna | 1 00 | |
| Schillinghyde, Clara | 10 00 | |
| Severance, Anna Crittendon | 5 00 | |
| Spear, Ida K. | 50 | |
| Sullenger, Eliza M. | 25 | |
| Tibbott, Jennie | 25 | |
| Underwood, Helen J. | 1 00 | |
| Vance, Effice Scott | 6 00 | |
| Visala, E. S. A. | 3 00 | |
| Watson, Elizabeth Lowe | 25 | |
| Watson, Lucretia | 25 | |
| Whelan, Carrie and P. E. C. of Oakland | 6 00 | |
| Wirtz, Carrie B. | 25 | |
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COLORADO.
(General Treasury.)

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| Henderson, Minnie | \$1 00 | |
| Teller, Harriet M. | 1 00 | |
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| Blanchard, Sarah E. | 25 | |
| Colorado W. S. A. | 35 00 | |
| Conine, Martha A. B. | 75 | |
| Cornwall, Mrs. W. T. | 25 | |
| Hanna, Mrs. J. R. | 25 | |
| Hawes, Mrs. C. S. | 25 | |
| Norris, Mrs. Geo. C. | 25 | |
| Roberts, Mrs. S. E. | 25 | |
| Williams, Hattie E. | 25 | |
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CONNECTICUT.
(General Treasury.)

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| Aux. Dues | \$10 00 | |
| Cheney, Susan J. and Mary | 25 00 | |
| Cheney, Susan J. | 5 00 | |
| Hooker, Isabella Beecher | 6 00 | |
| Young, Prof. C. Howard | 2 00 | |
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| Bacon, Elizabeth D. | 25 | |
| Barr, F. Ellen | 25 | |
| Bennett, Ella S. | 25 | |

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| Bissell, Miss M. E. | 25 | |
| Chaffee, Emma Hurd | 25 | |
| Cheney, Mary | 25 | |
| Clark, Edward P. | 25 | |
| Deming, Augusta E. | 25 | |
| Forbes, Cornelia B. | 1 00 | |
| Holcomb, Sarah C. B. | 20 00 | |
| Hooker, Isabella Beecher | 25 | |
| Kimball, Emily O. | 100 00 | |
| Lewis, H. J. | 25 | |
| Nuttell, Mattie | 25 | |
| Parker, Mrs. L. M. | 15 00 | |
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DELAWARE.
(General Treasury.)

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| Delaware W. S. A. | 12 00 | |
| Stanton Good Government Club | 5 00 | |
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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.
(General Treasury.)

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| Aux. Dues | \$10 00 | |
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| Abbott, Hattie E. | 1 00 | |
| Cheshire, Bessie Boone | 1 00 | |
| Cocks, Annie M. | 1 00 | |
| Davis, Kate C. | 1 00 | |
| Davis, Jennie A. | 1 00 | |
| Edwards, Fanny N. | 1 00 | |
| Farquhar, George B. | 1 00 | |
| Gridley, Ann E. | 1 00 | |
| Hartwell, Frances | 1 00 | |
| Hitz, Jane C. | 1 00 | |
| Hunt, Sarah V. | 1 00 | |
| Lockwood, Mary S. | 1 00 | |
| Lucas, Mrs. E. S. | 1 00 | |
| MacDonald, Dr. Arthur | 1 00 | |
| Moque, Alice Lee | 1 00 | |
| Mytinger, Caroline | 1 00 | |
| Park, Caroline E. | 1 00 | |
| Parnell, Mrs. R. M. | 1 00 | |
| Pomeroy, Ruth E. | 1 00 | |
| Riggs, Harriet E. | 1 00 | |

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| Roberts, Grace, M.D. | 1 00 |
| Terry, Mary E. | 1 00 |
| Thompson, Ellen Powell | 1 00 |
| Thurlow, Augusta R. | 3 00 |
| Tingley, E. M. | 1 00 |
| Vincent, Martha J. | 2 00 |
| Wall, Sarah E. | 1 00 |
| Ward, Eliza Titus | 5 00 |
| White, Nettie L. | 1 00 |
| Wood, Maria L. | 1 00 |

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| A Friend | 25 |
| Barton, Elizabeth E. | 25 |
| Burghardt, Caroline A. | 1 00 |
| Case, C. L. | 25 |
| Cheshire, Bessie Boone | 25 |
| Cocks, Annie M. | 25 |
| Cook, Helen A. | 25 |
| Crosby, Hannah E. | 25 |
| D. of C. W. S. A. | 25 |
| Edson, Dr. Susan | 75 00 |
| Edwards, Fanny N. | 25 |
| Fowler, Mrs. M. G. | 25 |
| Gillett, E. M. | 25 |
| Goodwin, Alice M. | 1 00 |
| Gridley, Ann E. | 25 |
| Havens, Ruth G. D. | 25 |
| Hornor, Mrs. S. E. | 1 00 |
| Hornor, Mabel | 25 |
| Houghton, Josepha H. | 25 |
| Irwin, Margaret A. | 25 |
| Junior E. S. A. | 25 |
| Kent, Rev. Alex. | 5 00 |
| Moque, Alice Lee | 25 |
| Mytinger, Caroline | 25 |
| McNaughton, Dr. C. W. | 25 |
| Noerr, Mary V. | 25 |
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| Park, Louise | 25 |
| Pomeroy, Ruth E. | 25 |
| Tanner, Antoinette | 25 |
| Thurlow, Augusta R. | 25 |
| Tingley, E. M. | 25 |
| Wall, Sarah E. | 25 |
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| Ward, Eliza Titus | 5 00 |
| Weightman, Louisa S. | 25 |
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GEORGIA.

(General Treasury.)

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| Aux. Dues | \$5 80 |
| Gresham, Sarah Adeline | 2 00 |
| Hellmer, Adell Gill | 1 00 |
| Howard, H. Augusta | 1 00 |
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(Organization Committee.)

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| Gresham, Sarah Adeline | 25 |
| Hellmer, Adell Gill | 25 |
| No name, (Douglassville) | 25 |
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IDAHO.

(General Treasury.)

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| Aux. Dues for 1897 | \$40 50 |
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| Mountain Home W. S. A. | 5 00 |
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ILLINOIS.

(General Treasury.)

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| Aux. Dues | \$50 00 |
| Barnes, Mary I. | 1 00 |
| Boyer, Harriet D. | 1 00 |
| Bradwell, Jas. B. | 1 00 |
| Dickinson, Melissa | 11 00 |
| Dunn, Dr. Helen S. | 2 05 |
| East, Mrs. M. K. | 2 00 |
| Long, Lizzie F. | 1 00 |
| Martin, Amarala | 1 00 |
| Rogers, Elizabeth H. | 1 00 |
| Schufeldt, Mrs. Wm. B. E. | 1 00 |
| Smith, Eva Munson | 1 00 |
| Swain, Adeline Morrison | 1 00 |
| Tear, Mary DeGraff | 1 00 |
| Tremain, Frank E. | 3 00 |
| Twenty-first District Association | 15 00 |
| Ward, Lydia A. Coonley | 1 00 |
| Wooden, Iva G. | |
| | 95 05 |

(Organization Committee.)

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| A Friend | \$1 00 |
| A Friend | 1 00 |

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| Roberts, Grace, M.D. | 1 00 |
| Terry, Mary E. | 1 00 |
| Thompson, Ellen Powell | 1 00 |
| Thurlow, Augusta R. | 3 00 |
| Tingley, E. M. | 1 00 |
| Vincent, Martha J. | 2 00 |
| Wall, Sarah E. | 1 00 |
| Ward, Eliza Titus | 5 00 |
| White, Nettie L. | 1 00 |
| Wood, Maria L. | 1 00 |

(Organization Committee.)

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| A Friend | 25 |
| Barton, Elizabeth E. | 25 |
| Burghardt, Caroline A. | 1 00 |
| Case, C. L. | 25 |
| Cheshire, Bessie Boone | 25 |
| Cocks, Annie M. | 25 |
| Cook, Helen A. | 25 |
| Crosby, Hannah E. | 25 |
| D. of C. W. S. A. | 75 00 |
| Edson, Dr. Susan | 25 |
| Edwards, Fanny N. | 25 |
| Fowler, Mrs. M. G. | 25 |
| Gillett, E. M. | 25 |
| Goodwin, Alice M. | 1 00 |
| Gridley, Ann E. | 25 |
| Havens, Ruth G. D. | 25 |
| Hornor, Mrs. S. E. | 1 00 |
| Hornor, Mabel | 25 |
| Houghton, Josepha H. | 25 |
| Irwin, Margaret A. | 25 |
| Junior E. S. A. | 5 00 |
| Kent, Rev. Alex. | 25 |
| Moque, Alice Lee | 25 |
| Mytinger, Caroline | 25 |
| McNaughton, Dr. C. W. | 25 |
| Noerr, Mary V. | 25 |
| No name | 25 |
| No name | 25 |
| No name | 30 |
| No name | 25 |
| Park, Louise | 25 |
| Pomeroy, Ruth E. | 25 |
| Tanner, Antoinette | 25 |
| Thurlow, Augusta R. | 25 |
| Tingley, E. M. | 25 |
| Wall, Sarah E. | 1 00 |

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| Ward, Eliza Titus | 5 00 | |
| Weightman, Louisa S. | 25 | 96 80 |

GEORGIA.

(General Treasury.)

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| Aux. Dues | \$5 80 | |
| Gresham, Sarah Adeline | 2 00 | |
| Hellmer, Adell Gill | 1 00 | |
| Howard, H. Augusta | 1 00 | 9 80 |

(Organization Committee.)

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| Gresham, Sarah Adeline | 25 | |
| Hellmer, Adell Gill | 25 | |
| No name, (Douglassville) | 25 | 75 |

IDAHO.

(General Treasury.)

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| Aux. Dues for 1897 | \$40 50 | 40 50 |
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(Organization Committee.)

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| Mountain Home W. S. A. | 5 00 | 5 00 |
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ILLINOIS.

(General Treasury.)

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| Aux. Dues | \$50 00 | |
| Barnes, Mary I. | 1 00 | |
| Boyer, Harriet D. | 1 00 | |
| Bradwell, Jas. B. | 1 00 | |
| Dickinson, Melissa | 11 00 | |
| Dunn, Dr. Helen S. | 2 05 | |
| East, Mrs. M. K. | 2 00 | |
| Long, Lizzie F. | 1 00 | |
| Martin, Amarala | 1 00 | |
| Rogers, Elizabeth H. | 1 00 | |
| Schufeldt, Mrs. Wm. B. E. | 1 00 | |
| Smith, Eva Munson | 1 00 | |
| Swain, Adeline Morrison | 1 00 | |
| Tear, Mary DeGraff | 1 00 | |
| Tremain, Frank E. | 3 00 | |
| Twenty-first District Association | 15 00 | |
| Ward, Lydia A. Coonley | 1 00 | 95 05 |
| Wooden, Iva G. | | |

(Organization Committee.)

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| A Friend | \$1 00 | |
| A Friend | 1 00 | |

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| A Friend | 5 00 |
| A Friend | 1 00 |
| Bailey, Charlotte O. | 5 00 |
| Barnum, Mrs. H. P. | 2 00 |
| Beck, Rowena M. | 5 00 |
| Blackwelder, Gertrude B. | 5 00 |
| Blanchard, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. | 1 00 |
| Botsford, Mrs. L. M. | 2 00 |
| Bradwell, Jas. B. | 5 00 |
| Briggs, Mrs. W. H. | 1 00 |
| Burnham, Mrs. A. K. | 1 00 |
| Butts, Mrs. L. D. | 50 |
| Candee, Mrs. M. L. | 1 00 |
| Carter, Jane S. | 5 00 |
| Cash | 50 |
| Cash | 50 |
| Cash | 25 |
| Cash | 25 |
| Cash | 25 |
| Cash | 25 |
| Cash | 1 00 |
| Cash | 2 00 |
| Cash | 1 00 |
| Chapin, Fanny | 50 |
| Clark, H. L. | 125 10 |
| Collection at Chicago Conference | 213 73 |
| Collections of Organizers | 1 00 |
| Conger, Dr. Rosamond | 1 00 |
| Craven, Angelina | 1 00 |
| Craven, Frances L. | 5 00 |
| Davis, Ella E. | 5 00 |
| Defebaugh, Annie C. | 1 00 |
| DeLagneau, L. R. | 100 00 |
| DeVoe, Emma Smith | 5 00 |
| Dietz, Martha Spencer | 25 |
| Dunn, Dr. Helen S. | 25 00 |
| Dunn, Julia Mills | 1 00 |
| Eldridge, Ida M. | 1 00 |
| Fish, W. J. | 1 00 |
| Fletcher, M. B. | 1 00 |
| Fonvielle, Katherine | 5 00 |
| Francis, Mrs. J. R. | 1 00 |
| Gilbridge, Phebe | 5 00 |
| Gorton, Belle L. | 25 |
| Heinroth, L. | 2 00 |
| Hochbaum, Hedwig | 1 00 |
| Holmes, Mrs. Bayard | 125 00 |
| Illinois W. S. A. | 1 00 |
| Johnson, Miss | |

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 1897.

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| Jones, Mrs. DeWitt C. | 5 00 |
| Kern, Mrs. J. P. | 1 00 |
| Kimbell, Mary E. | 5 00 |
| Kimbell, Grace C. | 2 50 |
| Kimbell, Pauline | 2 50 |
| Lirbee, E. W. | 1 00 |
| Lyman, Helen M. | 1 00 |
| Madison, Mrs. M. C. | 5 00 |
| Mans, F. R. | 25 |
| Martin, M. E. | 1 00 |
| Moline, E. S. A. | 10 00 |
| Morgan, Mary E. | 1 00 |
| No Name (Chicago) | 25 |
| Page, Mary O. | 50 |
| Peters, M. H. | 25 |
| Pinckney, Mary V. V. | 2 00 |
| Reed, Grace | 5 00 |
| Reed, Emma J. | 1 00 |
| Reeve, Edwy Logan | 5 00 |
| Reeves, Evelyn | 2 00 |
| Reynolds, Eva May | 50 |
| Richardson, Lena | 25 |
| Rogers, Elizabeth H. | 15 25 |
| Root, Ely B. | 1 00 |
| Rupp H. E. | 50 |
| Sandwich E. S. A. | 5 00 |
| Shumway, Emma M. | 2 00 |
| Smith, Eva Munson | 1 25 |
| Sprague, Eleanor Halleck | 1 00 |
| Spurrier, Jennie F. | 25 |
| Treadwell, Harriette | 50 |
| Tremain, Frank E. | 5 00 |
| Trumbull, M. R. | 1 00 |
| Ward, Lydia A. Coonley | 10 00 |
| Webster, Mrs. A. S. | 5 00 |
| Wiemers, Mrs. W. F. | 5 00 |
| Wood, Dr. Augusta | 25 |
| Wood, Emma Shearer | 5 00 |
| Woolley, Celia Parker | 10 00 |
| Younglove, Mrs. W. A. | 1 00 |
| Zearing, H. H. | 1 00 |

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INDIANA.
(General Treasury.)

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|--------------------------|--------|
| Clark, Alice Judah | \$3 00 |
| Flint, Jennie P. | 1 00 |
| Sewall, May Wright | 1 00 |

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| Thompson, Rebecca I. | 1 00 | |
| Williams, Henry M. | 4 00 | 10 00 |
| (Organization Committee.) | | |
| Clark, Alice Judah | 3 00 | |
| Hammond (for lecture) | 25 00 | |
| Hodgin, E. Caroline | 5 00 | |
| Hughes, Elizabeth C. | 25 | |
| Jessup, Dr. M. A. | 25 | |
| Thompson, Rebecca I. | 25 | |
| Wallace, Zerelda G. | 25 | 34 00 |

IOWA.

(General Treasury.)

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| Aux. Dues | \$219 16 | |
| Allen, Mary J. | 1 00 | |
| Ballard, Adelaide | 1 00 | |
| Bemis, Geo. W. | 2 00 | |
| Bemis, Narcissa T. | 2 00 | |
| Feytze, Catherine | 2 00 | |
| Hamand, Miss J. E. | 1 00 | |
| Ingham, Caroline | 9 00 | |
| Moffatt, Ella | 2 00 | |
| Phillips, Emily | 1 00 | 240 16 |

(Organization Committee.)

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| Acers, Mary | 2 00 |
| Achenbach, Mrs. H. | 2 00 |
| Adams, Mary Newbury | 5 00 |
| Adams, Mrs. D. W. | 2 00 |
| Allen, Mary J. | 2 00 |
| Allen, Mary E. | 2 00 |
| Allen, Mrs. S. D. | 1 00 |
| Anderson, Mrs. A. J. | 2 00 |
| Annis, Lucia | 2 00 |
| Appleton, Mrs. O. E. | 1 00 |
| Ary, Mary A. | 2 00 |
| Atkinson, Mrs. H. M. | 1 00 |
| August, Florence E. | 2 00 |
| Aupperle, Mrs. J. A. | 2 00 |
| A Friend (Waverley) | 2 00 |
| A Friend (Humboldt) | 1 00 |
| A Friend (Sioux City) | 5 00 |
| A Friend (Sac City) | 7 00 |
| A Friend (Waukon) | 1 00 |
| A Friend (Davenport) | 2 00 |

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| A Friend (Rock Valley) | 1 00 |
| A Friend (Charles City) | 1 00 |
| Bacon, Harriet D. | 7 00 |
| Bailey, Mrs. B. F. | 50 |
| Bailey, Mrs. George E. | 2 00 |
| Baldwin, Carrie L. | 2 00 |
| Ballard, Adelaide | 2 00 |
| Ballou, Mrs. George | 2 00 |
| Bangs, Mrs. M. H. | 2 00 |
| Barker, Mrs. J. A. | 50 |
| Barker, Ada G. | 2 00 |
| Barker, Dora | 2 00 |
| Barnett, Mrs. E. T. | 2 00 |
| Barney, Fanny A. | 2 00 |
| Barry, Mrs. F. | 2 00 |
| Bate, Mrs. C. M. | 20 |
| Beard, Laura | 2 00 |
| Beardsher, Josie M. | 2 00 |
| Beam, Mrs. W. W. | 1 00 |
| Beamer, Elizabeth Glen | 2 00 |
| Belden, Eveline H. | 2 00 |
| Bell, Frances | 5 00 |
| Bemis, Narcissa T. | 5 00 |
| Bemis, George W. | 2 00 |
| Bennett, Lora A. | 1 00 |
| Betsinger, Emma | 2 00 |
| Biddison, Phebe | 2 00 |
| Bigelow, Sarah E. | 1 00 |
| Billings, Mrs. J. | 2 00 |
| Bissell, Mrs. Lester C. | 2 00 |
| Blackford, John | 2 00 |
| Black, Kate M. | 2 00 |
| Bliss, Mrs. George W. | 50 |
| Bliven, Mrs. L. C. | 2 00 |
| Boardman, Blance Elder | 1 00 |
| Bogardus, Mrs. E. | 1 00 |
| Bolyard, Mrs. C. E. | 2 00 |
| Boomer, Marguerite | 1 00 |
| Botham, Anna | 2 00 |
| Bradley, Theresa | 2 00 |
| Bradley, Mrs. T. K. | 2 00 |
| Bradshaw, Caroline O. | 2 00 |
| Brauner, Virginia | 1 00 |
| Briggs, Mrs. R. W. | 2 00 |
| Brooks, Mrs. L. C. | 2 00 |
| Brown, Mrs. M. L. | 2 00 |
| Brown, Mary M. | 2 00 |
| Brown, Grace Miller | 2 00 |

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| Bruner, Mrs. M. A. | 2 00 |
| Buckley, Mrs. Elsworth | 2 00 |
| Burghardt, Mrs. C. V. | 2 00 |
| Burns, Sarah N. | 1 00 |
| Burroughs, Mrs. N. T. | 2 00 |
| Butler, Charlotte K. | 2 00 |
| Butler, Mabel E. | 2 00 |
| Bush, Mrs. John | 2 00 |
| Cadwell, Mrs. L. F. | 2 00 |
| Callanan, Martha C. | 302 17 |
| Callanan, James | 50 00 |
| Campbell, Mrs. R. | 2 00 |
| Campbell, Mary | 2 00 |
| Cannell, Mrs. | 2 00 |
| Carns, Margaret | 2 00 |
| Carroll, Ida | 1 00 |
| Carter, Mrs. C. M. | 2 00 |
| Carter, Kate J. | 2 00 |
| Carton, Susan E. | 1 00 |
| Carpenter, Mrs. C. C. | 2 00 |
| Cary, Mrs. C. J. | 2 00 |
| Case or Core, Mrs. G. W. | 2 00 |
| Cash, Mrs. Hallie | 2 00 |
| Caswell, Mrs. G. L. | 2 00 |
| Chamberlain, Mrs. S. A. | 5 00 |
| Chamberlain, Emmeline L. | 2 00 |
| Chapin, Mrs. L. F. | 2 00 |
| Chapman, Mary E. | 2 00 |
| Chase, Mrs. S. C. | 2 00 |
| Chidester, Kate M. | 2 00 |
| Child, Mrs. S. L. | 2 00 |
| Childs, Rachel | 2 00 |
| Clark, Mrs. Allen | 2 00 |
| Clark, Mrs. M. Iowa | 3 00 |
| Clark, Mrs. M. S. | 2 00 |
| Clements, Mary A. | 2 00 |
| Clemens, Mrs. M. H. | 2 00 |
| Clough, Julia | 2 00 |
| Cobb, Miss | 1 00 |
| Cockerill, Addie M. | 2 00 |
| Cohen, Belle | 2 00 |
| Colain, Mrs. P. T. | 2 00 |
| Colby, Dr. M. E. | 2 00 |
| Cole, Anna L. | 2 00 |
| Cole, Julia | 2 00 |
| Collections of Organizers | 1605 45 |
| Converse, Mrs. S. A. | 2 00 |
| Cooke, Mrs. | 2 00 |

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| Coppersmith, Mrs. L. | 2 00 |
| Crampton, Mrs. M. A. | 2 00 |
| Crary, Mrs. J. R. | 2 00 |
| Crary, Mrs. M. A. | 2 00 |
| Crawford, Anna H. | 2 00 |
| Crawford, Ella | 70 |
| Crocker, Mrs. H. M. | 4 00 |
| Cross, Cynthia A. | 2 00 |
| Crowell, Mrs. C. C. | 2 00 |
| Crum, Mrs. S. E. | 2 00 |
| Cunningham, Mrs. J. N. | 1 00 |
| Curtis, Mrs. J. A. | 2 00 |
| Dalrymple, Hattie | 2 00 |
| Daubersmith, Mrs. S. R. | 1 00 |
| Davis, Clara | 2 00 |
| Davis, Mrs. A. J. | 2 00 |
| Davis, Alice T. | 2 00 |
| Davidson, Sarah | 2 00 |
| Davidson, Mary | 2 00 |
| Davidson, Lena J. | 2 00 |
| Dennis, Mrs. A. J. | 2 00 |
| Detwiler, Jennie | 2 50 |
| Dihel, Carrie | 25 |
| Dixon, Hattie | 2 00 |
| Donley, Mrs. L. A. | 1 50 |
| Dorman, Mrs. L. C. | 2 00 |
| Doud, Mrs. J. A. | 2 00 |
| Duff, Mrs. L. B. | 1 00 |
| Dunham, Julia B. | 2 00 |
| Dye, Mrs. S. | 2 00 |
| Earle, Mrs. W. C. | 2 00 |
| Eaton, Laura R. | 2 00 |
| Eckert, Mrs. O. V. | 2 00 |
| Eddy, Mrs. J. N. | 1 00 |
| Edwards, Lydia C. | 2 00 |
| Edwards, Emma S. | 2 00 |
| Eigheney, Mrs. Frank | 2 00 |
| Eldon W. C. T. U. | 2 00 |
| Elliot, Mattie M. | 2 00 |
| Ellsworth, Mrs. A. L. | 1 00 |
| Emsley, Mary | 2 00 |
| Enfield, Josephine | 2 00 |
| Eno, Kate S. | 5 00 |
| Evans, Mrs. W. D. | 2 00 |
| Eversmeyer, Louise | 1 00 |
| Eversmeyer, Anna L. | 1 00 |
| Fagg, Ella A. | 1 00 |
| Fairbanks, Mrs. C. D. | |

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| Fairfield, Mrs. N. C. | 2 00 |
| Fairlamb, Emma | 2 00 |
| Farnsworth, Mrs. John | 2 00 |
| Farrell, Mrs. M. J. | 2 00 |
| Farrington, Anna L. | 2 00 |
| Felt, Rev. M. B. | 2 00 |
| Ferris, Mrs. S. R. | 2 00 |
| Ferris, Mrs. W. L. | 2 00 |
| Fesenbeck, Ida | 2 00 |
| Fischer, Ida | 2 00 |
| Flint, Mrs. C. Holt. | 10 00 |
| Foley, Mrs. L. L. | 2 00 |
| Forbes, Genevieve | 2 00 |
| Francisco, Mrs. H. E. | 2 00 |
| Freeland, Mrs. J. W. | 6 00 |
| Freeman, Mrs. M. P. | 2 00 |
| Friend, Caroline J. | 2 00 |
| Frum, Mrs. C. C. | 2 00 |
| Fuchs, Adele | 2 00 |
| Fuller, Mrs. M. E. | 2 00 |
| Fussell, Mrs. | 2 00 |
| Ganett, Carrie | 1 00 |
| Gardner, Mrs. D. W. | 1 00 |
| Garfield, Mary W. | 2 00 |
| Garrettson, Mrs. J. E. | 2 50 |
| Gaylord, Sarah | 2 00 |
| Geiser, Dr. Mary Louise | 2 00 |
| Gibb, Rev. Sophia | 2 00 |
| Gilbert, M. Electa | 2 00 |
| Gill, Emma M. | 1 00 |
| Gillmer, Mrs. H. M. | 2 00 |
| Glass, Mrs. A. R. | 2 00 |
| Goodhue, Mrs. E. P. | 2 00 |
| Goodwin, Mrs. C. S. | 2 00 |
| Gordon, Rev. Elinor | 2 00 |
| Gorrell, Frances H. | 2 00 |
| Gowdy, Mrs. S. C. B. | 2 00 |
| Grant, Mrs. C. A. | 2 00 |
| Gray, Miss A. M. | 2 00 |
| Green, Sarah C. | 2 00 |
| Griffin, Lucia B. | 2 00 |
| Griswold, Mrs. A. W. | 2 00 |
| Hackett, Emily F. | 2 00 |
| Haines, Lizzie | 5 00 |
| Hale, Miss M. E. | 2 00 |
| Hale, Henrietta M. | 2 00 |
| Hall, Mrs. E. C. | 2 00 |

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| Hallam, Julia | 4 00 |
| Halsey, Mrs. W. C. | 2 00 |
| Hamilton, Mrs. Frank | 1 00 |
| Hammond, Lizzie J. | 2 00 |
| Hammond, Mary E. | 5 00 |
| Hampton, Mrs. J. P. | 2 00 |
| Hanford, Mrs. E. | 2 00 |
| Harkness, Clara F. | 2 00 |
| Harmon, Mrs. R. | 2 00 |
| Harrington, Mrs. S. P. | 1 00 |
| Harris, Lucy A. | 2 00 |
| Hastie, Mary E. | 2 00 |
| Haverley, Emma S. | 2 00 |
| Haviland, Mrs. A. J. | 2 00 |
| Hawley, Rena | 2 00 |
| Hawley, Mrs. A. R. | 2 00 |
| Hershey, Miss M. | 2 00 |
| Hertz, Cynthia | 2 00 |
| Hickman, Mrs. E. L. | 2 00 |
| Higbee, Emma A. | 2 00 |
| Hildreth, Mrs. Wayne | 2 00 |
| Hildreth, Mrs. J. A. | 2 00 |
| Hill, Dr. Nancy W. | 2 00 |
| Hill, Mrs. G. W. | 2 00 |
| Hiserodt, Ella | 2 00 |
| Hitchcock, Clarinda | 2 00 |
| Hobart, Mrs. A. C. | 2 00 |
| Hollingsworth, Mrs. W. R. | 2 00 |
| Holmes, Mrs. M. A. | 1 00 |
| Hornbrook, Mrs. | 2 00 |
| Howard, Blanche | 2 00 |
| Hoxie, Edith | 2 00 |
| Hubbard, Mrs. E. H. | 2 00 |
| Hubbard, Ida E. | 1 00 |
| Hughes, Mrs. A. M. | 2 00 |
| Hunting, Mrs. F. H. | 2 00 |
| Hussey, Mrs. | 2 00 |
| Iddings, Mrs. I. N. | 2 00 |
| Ingersoll, Mrs. T. J. | 2 00 |
| Ingham, Caroline | 2 00 |
| Inglis, Mrs. D. D. | 135 00 |
| Iowa, W. S. A. | 2 00 |
| Ireland, Emma | 2 00 |
| Jackson, Mrs. C. S. | 2 00 |
| Jacobs, Jennie | 2 00 |
| Jacobs, Rosina | 2 00 |
| Johnson, Mrs. J. H. B. | 2 00 |

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| Johnson, Mary L. | 2 00 |
| Johnson, Mrs. Jesse | 2 00 |
| Johnson, Mary | 2 00 |
| Jordon, Mrs. S. J. | 2 00 |
| Joy, Anna H., D.D.S. | 2 00 |
| Keith, Rev. L. E. | 2 00 |
| Kennedy, Mrs. M. Lloyd. | 2 00 |
| Kerr, Mrs. Daniel | 2 00 |
| Kerr, Mrs. | 50 |
| Kimball, Mrs. N. W. | 2 00 |
| King, Agnes | 2 00 |
| King, Mrs. G. W. | 2 00 |
| Kingsbury, Mrs. H. D. | 2 00 |
| Klocker, Ada Tims | 2 00 |
| Knapp, Mrs. | 2 00 |
| Kuck, Kate | 2 00 |
| Lake, Mrs. H. R. | 2 00 |
| Lamb, Jane | 2 00 |
| Lancy, Mrs. M. K. | 2 00 |
| Large, Mrs. R. S. | 3 00 |
| Leathers, Hulda | 1 00 |
| Le Compte, Hannah | 2 00 |
| Leffingwell, Mrs. A. M. E. | 5 00 |
| Lenehan, Mrs. D. J. | 2 00 |
| Leson, Mary | 50 |
| Lewis, Rev. A. K. | 2 00 |
| Lewis, Mrs. H. | 2 00 |
| Lewis, Mrs. Earl | 2 00 |
| Lewis, Mrs. C. H. | 2 00 |
| Leverick, Mrs. R. W. | 2 00 |
| Lichenwalter, Mrs. R. S. | 50 |
| Lockridge, Mrs. | 2 00 |
| Long, Miss F. A. | 2 00 |
| Lynch, Mrs. C. J. | 2 00 |
| Lyons, Fanny | 2 00 |
| Macomber, Ida | 2 00 |
| Macy, Eunice C. | 2 00 |
| Mahara, Anna | 4 00 |
| Mallory, Mrs. E. A. | 1 00 |
| Mallory, Effie R. | 1 00 |
| Mann, Mrs. L. A. | 5 00 |
| Mann, Clara | 2 00 |
| Manning, Anna G. | 2 00 |
| Markley, Lillie | 2 00 |
| Marsh, Laura E. | 2 00 |
| Masters, Mrs. Burke | 2 00 |
| Mason, Clara A. | 2 00 |

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| Meek, Mrs. M. E. | 2 00 |
| Menzies, Mrs. John | 2 00 |
| Meyers, Edith | 5 00 |
| Meyers, Dr. Pauline B. | 2 00 |
| Mill, Mrs. F. A. | 2 00 |
| Miles, Mrs. Lewis | 2 00 |
| Miller, Lola B. | 2 00 |
| Moffatt, Ella | 2 00 |
| Moore, Mrs. C. W. | 2 00 |
| Moore, Orpha V. | 1 00 |
| Moorehead, Anna | 1 00 |
| Moody, Mrs. M. E. | 2 00 |
| Morrison, Mary A. | 2 00 |
| Morse, Stella B. | 2 00 |
| Morton, Mrs. M. A. | 25 |
| Moss, Mrs. E. N. | 2 00 |
| Mowren, Mrs. J. | 2 00 |
| Mueller, Eva W. | 2 00 |
| Murdoch, Lizzie | 2 00 |
| McAchran, Mrs. M. J. | 2 00 |
| McArthur, Mrs. Chas. | 2 00 |
| McBride, Amelia | 2 00 |
| McCarroll, Mary M. | 1 00 |
| McClosky, Mrs. H. P. | 1 00 |
| McColl, Mrs. R. S. | 2 00 |
| McCoy, Mrs. W. J. | 2 00 |
| McHare, Ella | 2 00 |
| McKim, Mrs. R. | 2 00 |
| McLean, Margaret A. | 2 00 |
| McLellan, Rachel E. | 2 00 |
| McMillan, Alice | 2 00 |
| McNider, Mary | 2 00 |
| Nettleton, Maria | 2 00 |
| Newcomb, Mrs. H. C. | 2 00 |
| Newlin, Lydia G. | 1 00 |
| Nichols, Mrs. Jas. | 2 00 |
| North, Hattie E. | 2 00 |
| Nott, Mrs. Robert | 2 00 |
| Olds, Mrs. L. A. | 2 00 |
| Ormsby, Mrs. E. S. | 2 00 |
| Osborne, Etta C. | 5 50 |
| Paige, Betsy | 2 00 |
| Panora P. E. C. | 2 00 |
| Pape, Mrs. M. | 2 00 |
| Parsons, Mrs. | 2 00 |
| Passig, Mrs. K. L. | 2 00 |
| Patterson, Mrs. O. A. | 2 00 |

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| Paul, Angie L. | 2 00 |
| Payn, Mrs. C. H. | 2 00 |
| Pease, Mrs. S. A. | 2 00 |
| Peck, Mrs. W. F. | 10 00 |
| Peckman, Lucy F. | 2 00 |
| Peese, Mrs. | 1 00 |
| Perkins, Miss | 2 00 |
| Phillips, Emily | 4 50 |
| Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. H. | 2 00 |
| Phipps, Mary | 2 00 |
| Pierce, Ginevra | 2 00 |
| Plane, Mrs. R. R. | 2 00 |
| Plimpton, Mrs. S. J. | 2 00 |
| Plumb, Mrs. M. J. | 2 00 |
| Popejoy, Emma | 1 00 |
| Potwin, Ella | 2 00 |
| Powell, Mrs. F. M. | 2 00 |
| Pratt, Mrs. Chas. | 2 00 |
| Preston, Flora | 2 00 |
| Priest, Jeannette | 70 30 |
| Profit "Extra Session Iowa Legislature" | 1 00 |
| Pursel, Laura | 1 00 |
| Randolph, Rebecca | 2 00 |
| Remley, Josephine R. | 2 00 |
| Reed, Mrs. G. H. | 2 00 |
| Reeve, Indie Adeline | 3 00 |
| Reeve, Ella Hudson | 2 00 |
| Reeve, Emily | 2 00 |
| Reynolds, Mrs. L. A. | 2 00 |
| Richmond, Anna | 2 00 |
| Riker, Sarah L. | 2 00 |
| Robinson, Mrs. D. J. | 2 00 |
| Rogers, Carrie | 2 00 |
| Romans, Metie Lamb | 2 00 |
| Runyard, Ella | 2 00 |
| Russell, Evaline M. | 4 00 |
| Safford, Rev. Mary | 2 00 |
| Sanborn, Mrs. G. W. | 2 00 |
| Scammon, Mary S. | 2 00 |
| Schermerhorn, Mrs. M. C. | 2 00 |
| Schooley, Mrs. J. | 2 00 |
| Schoonmaker, Mrs. M. A. | 50 |
| Sellards, Mary A. | 2 00 |
| Shade, Mrs. Chas. | 2 00 |
| Sheldon, Dora L. | 2 00 |
| Shellenburger, Mrs. E. W. | 2 00 |
| Sherman, Mrs. J. A. | 2 00 |

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|-----------------------------------|------|
| Shesler, Mrs. J. B. | 2 00 |
| Shields, Mrs. C. J. | 2 00 |
| Shoop, Laura M. | 2 00 |
| Simpkins, Mrs. R. S. | 2 00 |
| Slade, Alice | 2 00 |
| Slosson, Mrs. J. N. | 2 00 |
| Smith, Wilton Perry | 2 00 |
| Smith, Mrs. Benton | 2 00 |
| Smith, Mrs. C. E. | 1 00 |
| Smith, Lillian | 2 00 |
| Smith, Mrs. J. M. | 2 00 |
| Smith, Jessie L. | 2 00 |
| Snyder, Mrs. M. D. | 2 00 |
| Sparks, Mrs. W. W. | 2 00 |
| Springer, Mrs. Col. | 2 00 |
| Spurbeck, Mrs. W. | 2 00 |
| Stanostuck, Nellie | 2 00 |
| Starrett, Mrs. J. C. | 4 00 |
| Stevens, Seba | 2 00 |
| Stevens, Rowena | 50 |
| Stewart, Mrs. W. J. | 2 00 |
| Stewart, Agnes | 2 00 |
| Stewart, Mrs. D. J. | 2 00 |
| Stewart, Mrs. T. M. | 2 00 |
| Stockman, Elinor | 1 00 |
| Stone, Mary A. | 2 00 |
| Storr, Laura | 2 00 |
| Stoughton, Mrs. E. B. | 2 00 |
| Stoughton, Cordelia | 50 |
| Strahl, Mrs. H. P. | 2 00 |
| Strawman, Ella B. | 5 00 |
| Swarthwood, Mrs. J. | 2 00 |
| Tabor, Mr. | 2 00 |
| Taft, Alice E. | 2 00 |
| Talcott, Mrs. S. C. | 2 00 |
| Taubman, Laura | 2 00 |
| Taylor, Helen Steckel | 2 00 |
| Thompson, Florence G. | 2 00 |
| Thorn, Mrs. S. E. | 2 00 |
| Thorp, Mrs. R. B. D. | 2 00 |
| Tiffany, Addie | 2 00 |
| Tirrell, Mrs. E. J. W. | 2 00 |
| Topliff, Mrs. J. T. | 2 00 |
| Tower, Mrs. H. | 2 00 |
| Trimble, Rev. and Mrs. J. B. | 2 00 |
| Van Vetchen, Mrs. C. D. | 2 00 |
| Vincent, James | 2 00 |

| | |
|------------------------------|------|
| Vorhees, Emma | 2 00 |
| Wadsworth, Mrs. Millie | 2 00 |
| Wadsworth, Mrs. H. D. | 2 00 |
| Waller, Ethel | 1 00 |
| Wanless, Ora G. | 2 00 |
| Watson, Sarah V. | 2 00 |
| Watson, Lucy E. | 1 00 |
| Webster, Mrs. Ace. | 2 00 |
| Wedgewood, W. W. | 2 00 |
| Weeks, Mrs. R. F. | 2 00 |
| Weiser, Mrs. L. A. | 2 00 |
| West, Mrs. G. O. | 2 00 |
| West, Jessie P. | 2 00 |
| Whetzel, Mrs. Chas. | 2 00 |
| Whitcomb, Emma L. | 1 00 |
| Whitfield, Mrs. Wm. | 2 00 |
| Whitney, Sarah | 2 00 |
| Wilcox, Mrs. Wm. | 2 00 |
| Wilkins, Clara A. | 2 00 |
| Willett, Mrs. E. N. | 2 00 |
| Williams, Mrs. Noah | 2 00 |
| Williams, Bertha | 1 00 |
| Williamson, Lizzie C. | 2 00 |
| Williston, Mrs. M. H. | 2 00 |
| Wilson, Mrs. M. B. | 5 00 |
| Wilson, Edna B. | 50 |
| Wilson, Juliet B. | 2 00 |
| Woodward, Clara | 2 00 |
| Woodman, Elizabeth | 1 00 |
| Woolley, Mrs. T. C. | 2 00 |
| Woolsey, Nellie M. | 2 00 |
| Woolsey, Mrs. J. A. | 1 00 |
| Wright, Mrs. A. | 2 00 |
| Wright, Mrs. R. M. | 2 00 |
| Wright, Mrs. | 2 00 |
| Wyman, Mrs. H. B. | 2 00 |
| Young, Mrs. M. E. A. | 2 00 |

KANSAS.
(General Treasury.)

| | |
|----------------------------|---------|
| Aux. Dues | \$20 80 |
| Broderick, Jennie | 1 00 |
| Hall, Dr. Sarah C. | 2 00 |
| Hopkins, Elizabeth F. | 1 00 |
| McCord, Alice A. | 1 00 |
| Wattles, Susan E. | 1 00 |

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(Organization Committee.)

| | |
|------------------------------|-------|
| Benefiel, Jennie | 25 |
| Diggs, Annie L. | 25 |
| Gregg, Laura | 25 00 |
| Hall, Dr. Sarah | 25 |
| Hopkins, Elizabeth F. | 1 00 |
| Johnston, Lucy B. | 25 |
| Kinsey, Ella | 25 |
| No Name (Topeka) | 5 00 |
| Rosedale Suffrage Club | |

32 50

KENTUCKY.
(General Treasury.)

| | |
|---------------------------|---------|
| Aux. Dues | \$13 60 |
| Avery, Susan Look | 1 00 |
| A Friend | 50 |
| Bennett, Sarah Clay | 12 00 |
| Clay, Laura | 1 00 |
| Hubbard, S. M. | 10 00 |

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(Organization Committee.)

| | |
|-------------------------------|-------|
| Avery, Susan Look | 25 |
| Bennett, Sarah Clay | 10 00 |
| Bradbury, Mrs. W. H. | 1 00 |
| Campbell Co. E. R. A. | 5 00 |
| Clay, Laura | 25 70 |
| Farmer, Eugenia B. | 25 |
| Hearrin, Dr. Sarah J. P. | 25 |
| Hubbard, S. M. | 25 |
| Shipp, Mary | 50 |
| Trimble, Mary B. | 25 |
| Wolcott, Sallie B. | |

43 70

LOUISIANA
(General Treasury.)

| | |
|-----------------|---------|
| Aux. Dues | \$25 00 |
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25 00

MAINE.
(General Treasury.)

| | |
|-----------------------|---------|
| Aux. Dues | \$14 00 |
| Farmer, Sarah J. | 1 00 |
| Greely, Ann F. | 3 00 |
| Reed, Katherine | 1 00 |

19 00

(Organization Committee.)

| | |
|-------------------------------|------|
| Bailey, Hannah J. | 1 00 |
| Blaisdell, Mrs. S. A. | 25 |
| Fessenden, Mrs. D. W. | 25 |
| Fifield, Lydia A. | 50 |
| Greely, Ann F. | 1 00 |
| No Name (Hampden Corners).... | 25 |
| Osgood, Etta. | 25 |
| Reed, Louise M. | 50 |
| Starbird, Elizabeth. | 25 |
| Stubbs, Dorcas C. | 25 |

4 50

MARYLAND.

(General Treasury.)

| | |
|----------------------------|--------|
| Aux. Dues | \$5 00 |
| Lamb, Mrs. Geo. M. | 1 00 |
| Miller, Caroline H. | 5 00 |
| Shafer, Mary O. | 1 00 |
| Thomas, Mary Bentley | 1 00 |

13 00

(Organization Committee.)

| | |
|----------------------------|-------|
| Brewster, Flora, M.D. | 25 00 |
| Holme, Pauline W. | 1 00 |
| Messinger, Eliza F. | 25 |
| Miller, Caroline H. | 1 00 |
| Miller, Sarah T. | 25 |
| Thomas, Mary Bentley | 25 |

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MASSACHUSETTS.

(General Treasury.)

| | |
|----------------------------------------|----------|
| Aux. Dues | \$117 70 |
| Aux. Dues (Massachusetts National).... | 1 30 |
| Allen, Clara A. | 1 00 |
| Allen, Carrie B. | 1 00 |
| Allen, Mary Ware | 1 00 |
| Bascom, Emma C. | 1 00 |
| Bass, Mrs. G. W. | 1 00 |
| Binney, Lydia R. | 1 00 |
| Blackwell, Alice Stone | 2 00 |
| Blodgett, Bessie | 1 00 |
| Bowditch, Wm. I. | 30 00 |
| Buck, Laura E. | 1 00 |
| Channing, Anna K. | 1 00 |
| Cheney, O. Augusta | 1 00 |
| Cheney, Amos P. | 1 00 |
| Coleman, M. Folger | 1 00 |

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|-----------------------------------|------|
| Coy, Miss L. N. | 1 00 |
| Fisher, Elizabeth. | 1 00 |
| French, Dr. J. Elizabeth | 1 00 |
| Goss, Ella E. | 1 00 |
| Hamilton, Mrs. J. G. | 1 00 |
| Hanchett, Augusta L. | 1 00 |
| Hanscom, Abbie H. | 1 50 |
| Hatch, Lavina A. | 2 00 |
| Hawkins, Harriet O. | 2 00 |
| Heinzen, K. F. | 1 00 |
| Hill, Clara K. | 5 00 |
| Lougee, A. M. | 2 00 |
| Massachusetts National | 2 00 |
| Munroe, Emma F. | 3 00 |
| Munroe, Mary F. | 1 00 |
| Orne, M. E. C. | 1 00 |
| Parker, John A. | 1 00 |
| Penfield, Catherine Beecher | 1 00 |
| Pierce, Elizabeth F. | 1 00 |
| Porter, Frances E. | 1 00 |
| Rand, Mrs. S. A. | 1 00 |
| Scott, Caroline | 1 00 |
| Sumner, Ruth | 2 00 |
| Sunderland, Mehitabel | 1 00 |
| Tibbetts, M. B. | 1 00 |
| Webster, Elizabeth H. | |
| Whiting, Eliza R. | |

201 50

(Organization Committee.)

| | |
|-------------------------------------------|--------|
| Allen, Clara A. | 25 |
| Allen, Mary E. | 1 00 |
| Allen, N. T., wife and two daughters..... | 10 00 |
| Allen, Mary Ware | 25 |
| Bascom, Emma C. | 25 |
| Bass, Mrs. G. W. | 3 66 |
| Blackwell, Alice Stone | 25 |
| Blodgett, Bessie | 4 00 |
| Cambridge, E. S. L. | 1 00 |
| Cheney, O. Augusta | 1 00 |
| Cheney, Amos P. | 25 |
| Coleman, M. Folger | 5 00 |
| Concord, W. S. L. | 1 00 |
| Coy, L. M. | 25 |
| Davis, M. M. | 10 00 |
| Dorchester League | 25 |
| Fisher, Elizabeth D. C. | 100 00 |
| Garrison, Wm. Lloyd | |

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|---------------------------------------|--------|
| Hawkins, Harriet O. | 1 00 |
| Heinzen, K. F. | 25 |
| Hill, Clara K. | 1 00 |
| Hull, Hannah. | 25 |
| Lougee, A. M. | 25 |
| Malden W. S. L. | 10 00 |
| Massachusetts National | 11 00 |
| Massachusetts W. S. A. | 100 00 |
| Munroe, Mary F. | 25 |
| No Name (Cambridge) | 25 |
| Orne M. E. C. | 25 |
| Pitman, Mrs. M. B. | 1 25 |
| Pittsfield E. S. L. | 2 00 |
| Powers, Ellen F. | 10 00 |
| Rand, Sarah A. | 75 |
| Schlesinger, Mary | 10 00 |
| Scott, Caroline | 5 00 |
| Sunderland, Mehitabel | 1 25 |
| Webster, Elizabeth H. | 2 25 |
| White, Henrietta H. | 10 00 |
| Whithed, Isabella | 1 25 |
| Whitney, Mary B. | 10 00 |
| Wilson, A. E. | 25 |
| Woman's Journal (Transportation) | 25 00 |
| Worcester W. S. L. | 10 00 |
| Woodman, Charlotte F. | 100 00 |

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MICHIGAN.

(General Treasury.)

| | |
|--------------------------------|---------|
| Aux. Dues | \$20 00 |
| Boutell, Harriet J. | 1 00 |
| Burrows, Frances P. | 1 00 |
| Fowler, Fannie Holden | 1 00 |
| Jenkins, Dean M. | 3 00 |
| Jenkins, Helen P. | 3 00 |
| Jenkins, Mr., Jr. | 1 00 |
| Jones, Maurine A. | 1 00 |
| Ketcham, Emily B. | 1 00 |
| Rossman, Gladys Olds | 1 00 |
| Safford, Elizabeth M. | 1 00 |
| Shaw, Harold Porter | 1 00 |
| Spalding, Florence B. J. | 1 00 |
| Stebbins, Catherine A. F. | 2 00 |
| Willard, Elizabeth A. | 1 00 |

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(Organization Committee.)

| | |
|----------------------------------------------|--------|
| Allen, Harriet. | 25 |
| Ann Arbor P. E. C. | 10 00 |
| Blancher, Myra L. | 1 00 |
| Bliss, Lenore Starker | 25 |
| Boutell, Harriet J. | 3 25 |
| Bower, Emma F. | 2 00 |
| Burrows, Frances P. | 25 |
| Cartwright, E. D. | 25 |
| Cash. | 1 00 |
| Church, Almira | 5 00 |
| Collections at Grand Rapids Conference. | 152 62 |
| Collections at Kalamazoo Meeting | 17 75 |
| Cook, Belle O. | 25 |
| Denison, E. | 1 00 |
| Ebe, F. B. | 5 00 |
| Hall, Edith F. | 1 00 |
| Hancock, Mrs. Jas. | 1 00 |
| Haring, Rev. E. E. | 2 00 |
| Hine, Matilda R. | 2 00 |
| Holmes, Mrs. A. A. | 50 |
| Hoyt, Mary H. | 5 00 |
| Janes, Martha J. W. | 25 |
| Jenkins, Helen P. | 6 25 |
| Jones, Martha R. | 25 |
| Ketcham, Emily B. | 25 |
| Miller, Mary L. | 10 00 |
| Mines, Mrs. Wm. | 1 00 |
| Mullikin, Emma A. | 25 |
| McArthur, Eliza. | 1 00 |
| No Name (Kalamazoo) | 1 00 |
| Osterhaut, Mrs. Peter | 25 |
| Pennell, Mrs. J. W. | 5 00 |
| Perry, Belle M. | 1 00 |
| Provin, Estelle M. | 25 |
| Root, M. A. & M. E. and Mary L. Doe. | 25 |
| Rudon, Rosalie. | 25 |
| Safford, Elizabeth M. | 2 00 |
| Skinner, Mrs. E. C. | 25 |
| Smith, Mrs. Wm. Alden | 25 |
| Smith, Amelia M. | 25 |
| Stafford, Mary E. | 25 |
| Stebbins, Catherine A. F. | 1 00 |
| Turner, Mrs. S. M. | 25 |
| Weatherwax, Mrs. A. V. | 2 00 |
| West, Bina M. | |
| Willard, Mrs. Geo. | |

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MINNESOTA.
(General Treasury.)

| | |
|------------------------------|---------|
| Aux. Dues | \$13 00 |
| Anderson, Martha Scott | 1 00 |

14 00

(Organization Committee.)

| | |
|---------------------------------------------|--------|
| A Friend | 50 |
| A Widow's Mite | 25 |
| Bright, Emily H. | 5 00 |
| Brooks, E. A. | 1 00 |
| Brown, Josephine | 1 00 |
| Clough, Mrs. E. J. | 1 00 |
| Coghlan, I. L. | 25 |
| Collections at Minneapolis Conference | 334 19 |
| Conner, A. A. | 1 00 |
| Day, Mrs. J. W. | 5 00 |
| Dean, Henrietta M. | 1 00 |
| Eaton, Dr. Cora Smith | 25 |
| Edwards, Mrs. N. T. | 5 00 |
| Eggleston, Hannah | 1 00 |
| Falls, Amelia | 1 00 |
| Fifield, Dr. Emily | 5 00 |
| Greiner, Mrs. M. J. | 1 00 |
| Gregg, M. M. | 1 00 |
| Gregory, Emma | 1 00 |
| Grier, Mrs. S. C. | 1 00 |
| Haines, Dr. Bessie Park | 5 00 |
| Hoover, Mary E. | 1 00 |
| Horning, Mrs. J. G. | 1 00 |
| Jones, Lucy A. | 25 |
| Kent, Mrs. H. B. | 5 00 |
| Ketzebach, Mrs. | 5 00 |
| Kimball, Frances P. | 1 00 |
| Lenke, Mrs. | 1 00 |
| Lippincott, Mrs. W. A. | 5 00 |
| Lippincott, Miss C. H. | 5 00 |
| Lonhauser, Florence W. | 1 00 |
| Lyman, M. N. | 50 |
| Mann, Alice | 1 00 |
| Meyers, Ida P. | 50 |
| Nelson, Julia B. | 1 00 |
| Normanie (Red Oak) | 25 |
| Osmer, Mrs. J. M. | 2 00 |
| Powell, Florence C. | 5 00 |
| Red Wing, W. S. A. | 3 00 |
| Rheem, Mrs. L. M. | 25 00 |
| Robbins, Mrs. A. B. | 1 00 |
| Scoville, Bessie L. | 1 00 |

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| | |
|------------------------------|--------|
| Seckels, Mrs. S. S. | 2 00 |
| Segerstrom, August A. | 2 00 |
| Selden, Mrs. H. G. | 1 00 |
| Selleck, Nellie E. | 2 00 |
| Spencer, Mrs. M. | 1 00 |
| Stanchfield, E. O. | 50 |
| Stratton, Myrtle L. | 2 00 |
| Traver, Maidee M. | 2 00 |
| Valentine, Mrs. Eugene | 1 00 |
| Welles, Mrs. M. H. | 10 00 |
| Wells, Belle R. | 1 00 |
| White, Mrs. H. M. | 1 00 |
| Wood, Mrs. H. E. | 5 00 |
| Young, Mrs. E. H. | 5 00 |
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MISSISSIPPI.
(General Treasury.)

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| Aux. Dues | \$8 10 | 8 10 |
| (Organization Committee.) | | |
| Collections of Organizers | 140 93 | 140 93 |

MISSOURI.
(General Treasury.)

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|--------|-------|
| Aux. Dues (Additional) for 1897 | \$3 60 | |
| Aux. Dues | 7 10 | 10 70 |
| (Organization Committee.) | | |
| Burr, Ida F. | 1 00 | |
| Clinton E. S. A. | 5 00 | |
| Collections of Organizers | 16 79 | |
| Dixon, Jessie C. | 25 | |
| Johnson, Addie M. | 10 25 | |
| Missouri E. S. A. | 30 50 | 63 79 |

MONTANA.
(General Treasury.)

| | | |
|--------------------------------|---------|-------|
| Aux. Dues | \$13 40 | |
| Dann, Mrs. P. A., M.D. | 1 00 | 14 40 |
| (Organization Committee.) | | |
| Business Women's E. S. A. | 7 00 | |
| Cascade E. S. L. | 5 00 | |

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|----------------------------------------|-------|
| Castle E. S. A. | 3 10 |
| Chase, Mrs. | 25 |
| Dann, Mrs. P. A., M.D. | 50 |
| Ewins, Mrs. | 1 00 |
| Ferguson, Mrs. A. B. | 1 00 |
| Great Falls Political Study Club. | 9 10 |
| Hamilton, Mrs. | 25 |
| Marysville E. S. A. | 10 00 |

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NEBRASKA.

(General Treasury.)

| | |
|---------------------------|---------|
| Aux. Dues | \$15 00 |
| Colson, Frances | 4 00 |
| Hayward, Mary Smith | 2 00 |
| Nye, Mrs. C. M. | 4 00 |
| Williams, Sarah | 1 00 |
| Williams, Mary H. | 1 00 |

27 00

(Organization Committee.)

| | |
|---------------------------|------|
| Colson, Frances | 1 00 |
| Hayward, Mary Smith | 5 00 |
| Marble, Mrs. A. J. | 25 |
| Middleton, Eliza | 25 |
| Nye, Mrs. C. M. | 1 00 |
| Smith, Mrs. M. A. | 25 |

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NEVADA.

(General Treasury.)

| | |
|----------------------|--------|
| Aux. Dues | \$6 00 |
| Nevada W. S. A. | 50 00 |

56 00

(Organization Committee.)

| | |
|-----------------------------|----|
| Boyd, Mrs. D. M. | 25 |
| Hilp, Emma | 25 |
| Humphrey, S. | 10 |
| Shaw, Kittie | 25 |
| Williamson, Frances A. | 25 |

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NORTH CAROLINA.

(General Treasury.)

| | |
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| Aux. Dues | \$3 00 |
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3 00

NORTH DAKOTA.

(General Treasury.)

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| Aux. Dues | \$10 00 | 10 00 |
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(Organization Committee.)

| | | |
|---------------------------|------|------|
| Campbell, Mrs. H. L. | 1 00 | 1 00 |
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NEW HAMPSHIRE.

(General Treasury.)

| | | |
|--------------------------------|--------|-------|
| Aux. Dues for 1897..... | \$5 00 | |
| Aux. Dues | \$5 00 | |
| Page, Mary Hutcheson | 1 00 | |
| Ricker, Marilla M. | 45 00 | |
| White, Armenia S. | 5 00 | 62 00 |
| Whitney, Sarah J. Messer | | |

(Organization Committee.)

| | | |
|--------------------------------|-------|-------|
| White, Armenia S. | 18 00 | |
| Whitney, Sarah J. Messer. | 2 00 | 20 00 |

NEW JERSEY.

(General Treasury.)

| | | |
|-----------------------------------------------|--------|--------|
| Aux. Dues | \$9 10 | |
| Bequest of Eliza Murphy | 500 00 | |
| Hussey, Cornelia Collins | 250 00 | |
| Hussey, Mary D. (Membership for 5 years)..... | 5 00 | |
| Hussey, Mary D. | 2 00 | |
| Pugh, Sarah J. V. | 1 00 | 767 10 |
| Wright, Phebe C. | | |

(Organization Committee.)

| | | |
|--------------------------------|--------|--------|
| Hussey, Cornelia Collins | 500 00 | |
| No Name (Ocean Grove) | 25 | |
| Pugh, Sarah J. V. | 25 | |
| Stokes, Edward H. | 25 | 501 00 |
| Wright, Phebe C. | | |

NEW MEXICO.

(General Treasury.)

| | | |
|----------------------------|--------|------|
| Hadley, Alice Paxson | \$5 00 | |
| Wallace, Catherine P. | 3 00 | 8 00 |

(Organization Committee.)

Wallace, Catherine P. 25

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NEW YORK.

(General Treasury.)

| | |
|---------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Aux. Dues | \$185 80 |
| Anthony, Mary S. | 10 00 |
| Aspinwall, Harriet M. | 1 00 |
| Banker, Henrietta M. | 35 00 |
| Barber, Julia S. | 1 00 |
| Blake, Lillie Devereux | 1 00 |
| Cary, Cornelia H. | 5 00 |
| Catt, Carrie Chapman | 6 15 |
| Catt, Geo. W. | 50 00 |
| Chapman, Noah H. | 2 00 |
| Cleveland, Mariana W. | 2 00 |
| Clymer, Ella Dietz | 6 00 |
| Crosset, Ella Hawley | 2 00 |
| Curtis, Elizabeth Burrill | 1 00 |
| Curtis, Anna Shaw | 5 00 |
| Dormitzer, Anna | 7 00 |
| Glaner, Dr. M. Virginia | 20 00 |
| Gleason, Wm. | 1 00 |
| Gleason, Kate | 5 00 |
| Greenleaf, Jean Brooks | 5 00 |
| Greenleaf, Halbert S. | 2 00 |
| Hallock, Frances V. | 2 00 |
| Holden, Belle S. | 1 00 |
| Howland, Isabel | 6 00 |
| Howland, Hannah L. | 1 00 |
| Howland, Emily | 6 00 |
| Hubbard, Mary N. | 10 00 |
| Hunt, Dr. A. A. | 1 00 |
| Korwan, J. Elizabeth | 2 00 |
| N. Y. W. S. A. (For desk-room at Headquarters) .. | 1 00 |
| Sanders, Eleanor B. | 10 00 |
| Stebbins, Martha J. Hadley .. | 50 00 |
| Taft, Clara | 1 00 |
| Wilson, Mary Rodifer | 1 00 |
| Ackley, Lucy A. | 1 25 |

(Organization Committee.)

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|---------------------------|--------|
| Adams, May L. | 25 |
| Andrews, Kornelia T. | 25 |
| Anthony, Susan B. | 25 |
| | 100 00 |

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| | |
|---------------------------------|--------|
| Arnold, Helen L. D. | 25 |
| Aspinwall, Harriet M. | 25 |
| Bain, Mary | 25 |
| Bain, Susie | 1 00 |
| Baker, Julia | 1 00 |
| Ballard, Martha A. | 25 |
| Barker, Mrs. S. M. | 25 |
| Bartholomew, Mary H. | 5 00 |
| Batavia P. E. C. | 25 |
| Bates, Juanita B. | 25 |
| Bedell, Mrs. T. H. | 10 00 |
| Bedford P. E. League | 25 |
| Beecher, Mrs. W. T. K. | 25 |
| Bellinger, Bertha Ashley | 25 |
| Bell, Harriet M. | 25 |
| Bentley, Mrs. M. C. | 25 |
| Bergstraser, Mrs. P. M. | 25 |
| Birch, Mary L. | 25 |
| Blaisdell, Mary J. | 25 |
| Boardman, Emily | 25 |
| Bouck, Mrs. David | 50 |
| Bowler, Mary E. | 1 00 |
| Bradley, Mrs. J. M. | 1 00 |
| Bradley, E. B. | 25 |
| Brayton, Mary | 50 00 |
| Bristol, Mrs. D. S. | 25 |
| Brooklyn W. S. A. | 25 |
| Brooks, Dora G. | 25 |
| Browning, Kate | 25 |
| Brown, Margaret D. | 25 |
| Burham, Mrs. Chas. | 25 |
| Butler, Mrs. V. Ingersoll | 217 81 |
| Butterfield, Sarah | 25 |
| Cantrell, E. M. | 25 |
| Catt, Carrie Chapman | 25 |
| Cator, Electa | 25 |
| Chamberlain, P. S. J. | 25 |
| Chamberlyne Miss F. J. | 25 |
| Clark, Almida | 7 00 |
| Clark, Harriet Grant | 50 |
| Clayton, Mrs. M. A. | 25 |
| Cleveland, Charlotte A. | 25 |
| Conklin, Sarah | 25 |
| Cook, Ida B. V. | 25 |
| Coolidge, Mary B. | 1 00 |
| Cooper, Mrs. G. W. | 50 00 |
| Crossett, Ella Hawley | 25 |
| Curtis, Elizabeth Burrill | 25 |
| DeLano, Laura Shattuck | 25 |
| Douglass, Mrs. S. B. | 25 |

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| Driscoll, Mrs. M. E. | 1 00 |
| Dunkirk P. E. C. | 25 00 |
| Dunning, Mrs. H. S. | 25 |
| Eastman, Annis Ford | 25 |
| Farrington, Anna | 25 |
| Fish, Arietta H. | 25 |
| Fitch, Elizabeth | 25 |
| Fluvanna P. E. C. | 2 00 |
| Fruyer, Mrs. E. | 25 |
| Fredonia P. E. C. | 5 00 |
| Friend at Churchville | 25 |
| Friend at Saranac | 25 |
| Gannett, Rev. W. C. | 5 00 |
| Gifford, Henrietta | 1 25 |
| Gifford, Mrs. E. C. | 25 |
| Gillette, Dr. Myra A. | 25 |
| Gillette, Flora S. | 25 |
| Gilmour, Dr. Amelia W. | 25 |
| Glauner, Dr. M. Virginia | 1 00 |
| Goodell, Ella A. | 25 |
| Gore, M. A. | 25 |
| Gregory, Florence | 25 |
| Green, Samuel | 25 |
| Greene, Dr. C. A. | 1 00 |
| Greene, Dr. C. A., and others | 14 00 |
| Hallock, Marritt S. | 25 |
| Hartwell, Mrs. F. M. | 25 |
| Hearing, Anna E. | 25 |
| Heaton, Lucia B. | 25 |
| Heist, Ellen N. | 25 |
| Hendern, Mrs. E. C. | 25 |
| Herman, Esther | 20 00 |
| Higgins, Brunhilda Swartz | 25 |
| Hitchcock, Mary | 25 |
| Hoag, Lydia | 50 |
| Holden, Belle S. | 51 00 |
| Holmes, Ruth A. | 25 |
| Howland, Hannah L. | 10 00 |
| Howland, Emily | 300 00 |
| Howell, Mary Seymour | 1 00 |
| Howell, H. Adda B. | 25 |
| Hubbard, Mary N. | 1 65 |
| Hudson, Mary E. | 25 |
| Hull, Dorcas | 25 |
| Hunn, Mary A. | 25 |
| Ilion W. C. T. U. | 3 00 |
| Jackson, Kate J. | 25 |
| Jackson, Dr. J. H. | 25 |
| Jenkins, Mrs. Chas. G. | 2 00 |
| Jennison, Mrs. J. | 25 |

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| Jones, Mrs. P. J. | 25 |
| Johnson, Fanny B. | 1 00 |
| Kenney, Sarah A. | 25 |
| Keyes, Miss H. H. | 25 |
| Knapp, Duane F. | 25 |
| Ladd, Mrs. Sebie | 25 |
| Leach, Helen M. | 25 |
| Lerch, Carrie S. | 25 |
| Lincoln, Mary F. | 25 |
| Lounsbery, Mrs. Edward | 25 |
| Low, Phoebe | 25 |
| Lozier, Emily K. | 25 |
| Lucas, Harriet S. | 25 |
| Mead, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. | 100 00 |
| Merriman, Mrs. N. C. | 1 00 |
| Middaugh, Mrs. J. E. | 25 |
| Miller, Elizabeth Smith | 25 |
| Miller, Susan D. | 1 00 |
| Montgomery, Harry Earl | 25 |
| Moore, Mrs. Wm. H. | 25 |
| Mosher, Carrie | 25 |
| McDermid, Elizabeth | 1 00 |
| McGiffert, Mrs. M. S. | 5 00 |
| McLean, Lena | 25 |
| McNeill, Jas. | 25 |
| Niagara County Association | 1 25 |
| No Name (East Quogne) | 25 |
| No Name (Wolcott) | 25 |
| No Name | 25 |
| No Name (Utica) | 25 |
| No Name (Corning) | 25 |
| No Name (Caneadea) | 25 |
| No Name (Delphi) | 25 |
| No Name (Little Valley) | 25 |
| No Name (Elmira) | 25 |
| No Name (Bleeker) | 25 |
| No Name (Milo Center) | 25 |
| No Name (Elmira) | 50 |
| No Name (Seneca Falls) | 13 00 |
| Northup, Mrs. M. M. | 10 00 |
| N. Y. W. S. A. | 25 |
| N. Y. W. S. A. (for desk room at Headquarters) | 25 |
| Olin, Mary J. | 25 |
| Ostrander, Mary E. | 25 |
| Otis, Mrs. Franc W. | 5 00 |
| Patterson, D. W. | 1 00 |
| Penn Yan Woman's Club | 50 |
| Perry, Sarah Boynton | 25 |
| Pierce, Lucy S. | 25 |
| Porter, Mrs. S. B. | |
| Powell, Maria C. | |

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| Prescott, Jennie | 25 |
| Prospect Height League (Brooklyn) | 10 00 |
| Putnam, Mary N. | 25 |
| Remington, E. | 1 00 |
| Richardson, S. J. | 25 |
| Riley, Louise Lord | 3 00 |
| Rinkle, Lucie A. | 25 |
| Rochester P. E. C. | 150 00 |
| Sagne, Harriet A. | 25 |
| Sargent, Mrs. A. M. | 1 00 |
| Sargent, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. | 25 00 |
| Shaw, Juliette A. | 25 |
| Sheppard, Julia D. | 1 00 |
| Sisson, Chloe A. | 1 25 |
| Skinner, Zada A. | 25 |
| Smith, Mrs. H. L. | 25 |
| Smith, Luella D. | 25 |
| Spied, R. G. H. | 25 |
| Sprague, Mrs. Chas. W. | 25 |
| Sprague, Mrs. E. C. | 25 |
| Squires, Mrs. Jas. S. | 25 |
| Stanley, N. Eliza | 25 |
| Stebbins, Martha J. Hadley | 1 00 |
| Stebbins, Mrs. J. R. | 25 |
| Stevens, Mrs. Price | 25 |
| Stotts, Mrs. N. H. | 25 |
| Swarts, Ursula E. | 25 |
| Sweet, Mrs. S. M. | 25 |
| Tallmadge, Ellen C. | 25 |
| Taylor, Emma | 25 |
| Taylor, Mrs. W. W. | 25 |
| Timmins, Mrs. O. T. | 25 |
| Townley, Mary L. | 1 00 |
| Tuthill, Mrs. J. G. | 25 |
| Union Springs P. E. C. | 25 |
| Vanamee, S. A. | 25 |
| Van DeBogert, Mrs. Ward | 25 |
| Villard, Fanny Garrison | 25 00 |
| Wakeley, Mary E. | 25 |
| Wallace, Mrs. A. A. | 25 |
| Ward, J. A. C. | 25 |
| Warsaw P. E. C. | 10 00 |
| Weaver, G. S. | 25 |
| Weston, Mrs. Achsah E. | 25 |
| Wheelock, Miss L. A. | 25 |
| Whipple, Maria | 25 |
| Whlein, Charlotte | 1 00 |
| Wilbur, Juliet | 25 |
| Williamson, Sarah A. | 25 |
| Wilsey, M. L. | 25 |

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| Yale, Clara T. | 25 |
| Young, Mrs. C. E. | 25 |
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OHIO.
(General Treasury.)

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|-----------------------------------|---------|
| Aux. Dues | \$32 90 |
| Amos, Ida | 1 50 |
| Andrews, Mary | 1 00 |
| Baldwin, Justine I. | 1 00 |
| Bissell, Sarah | 5 00 |
| Casement, Gen'l and Mrs | 1 00 |
| Cole, Julia P. | 4 00 |
| Fray, Ellen Sully | 1 00 |
| Freer, Jannette | 1 00 |
| Gifford, Prof. Jennie | 1 00 |
| Harmon, Lucie | 1 00 |
| Lomas, Anne E. | 4 00 |
| Morgan, Caroline | 5 00 |
| Mott, Anna C. | 1 00 |
| Northway, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen A. | 1 00 |
| O'Conner, Maggie | 100 00 |
| Pomeroy, Mary W. | 6 00 |
| Southworth, Louise | 10 00 |
| Stanton, Harriet Brown | |
| Toledo W. S. A. | |

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(Organization Committee.)

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| Alliance W. S. A. | \$10 00 |
| Amos, Ida | 1 00 |
| Anderson, Mrs. J. M. | 2 00 |
| Bissell, Sarah | 25 |
| Casement, Gen'l and Mrs. | 50 |
| Collections at Toledo Conference | 56 30 |
| Deer Creek E. S. C. | 5 00 |
| Fisk, Mrs. J. B. | 1 00 |
| Fray, Ellen Sully | 25 |
| Freer, Jannette | 25 |
| Gifford, Prof. Jennie | 1 00 |
| Hall, Anna C. | 1 00 |
| Hinshilwood, Katherine | 1 00 |
| Jennings, Rev. A. J. | 25 00 |
| Jones, Mayor (Toledo) | 1 00 |
| Kist, Mrs. | 5 00 |
| Lucas Co. E. S. A. | 1 00 |
| Manning, Mrs. R. G. | 5 00 |
| Martin, Lucia J. | 2 25 |
| Mogadore W. S. A. | 1 00 |
| Moore, Susan I. | |

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| Moore, Mrs. J. H. | 1 00 |
| Mott, Anna C. | 25 00 |
| Murphy, Claudia Q. | 15 00 |
| No Name (Warren) | 1 00 |
| No Name (Salem) | 25 |
| Northway, Lydia A. D. | 25 |
| O'Conner, Maggie | 1 25 |
| Randolph, Mrs. T. F. | 5 00 |
| Robertson, Mrs. M. L. | 1 00 |
| Russell, Mrs. Rowland | 1 00 |
| Sheets, Mary E. | 1 00 |
| Smith, Dr. Anna G. | 1 00 |
| Smith, Mrs. H. G. | 1 00 |
| Trumbull, Mary | 1 00 |
| Waterbury, Mrs. J. K. | 1 00 |
| Women of 11th Ward (Toledo) . . . | 5 00 |
| Youngstown Central W. C. T. U. (for lecture) | 25 00 |
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OKLAHOMA TERRITORY.

(General Treasury.)

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|--------------------------|--------|
| Aux. Dues for 1897 | \$1 00 |
| Aux. Dues | 3 10 |
| Griffiths, Rachel | 1 00 |
| Rees, Rachel | 1 00 |
| Rees, Margaret | 1 00 |
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(Organization Committee.)

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| Collections of Organizers | 4 44 |
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OREGON.

(General Treasury.)

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|------------------------------|--------|
| Aux. Dues for 1897 | \$5 00 |
| Aux. Dues | 4 00 |
| Duniway, Abigail Scott | 1 00 |
| Eliot, Rev. T. L. | 1 00 |
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(Organization Committee.)

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| Kirker, A. Julia | 25 |
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PENNSYLVANIA.

(General Treasury.)

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|----------------------------|---------|
| Aux. Dues | \$90 00 |
| Anthony, Anna O. | 1 00 |
| Avery, Rachel Foster | 14 00 |
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|---------------------------------|---------|
| Bartol, Emma J. | 50 00 |
| Boyer, Ida Porter | 1 00 |
| Brosius, Letetia W. | 1 00 |
| Gaskill, Alfred | 5 00 |
| Green, Lola M. B. | 1 00 |
| Harrop, Rebecca E. | 1 00 |
| Harrop, Elizabeth A. | 1 50 |
| Huffman, Edith R. | 20 00 |
| Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Enoch . . . | 10 00 |
| Longshore, Dr. Hannah E. | 1 00 |
| Pennock, Deborah | 1 00 |
| Purvis, Robert | 1 00 |
| Purvis, Tacie | 1 00 |
| Russell, Katherine | 12 50 |
| Sharpless, Anna P. | 1 00 |
| Shaw, Anna H. | 1 00 |
| Shaw, Nicolas M. | 3 00 |
| Smith, Landis Shaw | 1 00 |
| Taylor, Rebecca N. | |
| Wilson, Caroline Barnes | |
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| (Organization Committee.) | \$25 00 |
| Blankenburg, Lucretia L. | 25 |
| Boyer, Ida Porter | 25 |
| Brazier, Ellen K. | 25 |
| Brighton, Caroline G. | 12 00 |
| Brosius, Letitia | 1 00 |
| Bucks Co. E. S. A. | 1 62 |
| Burnham, George, Jr. | 5 00 |
| Chester Co. E. S. A. | 25 |
| Concordville E. S. A. | 25 |
| Dreer, Ferd. J. | 10 00 |
| Eavenson, Dr. S. T. R. | 6 00 |
| Fallsington S. C. | 1 00 |
| Garver, Dr. Jane K. | 25 |
| Gaskill, Alfred | 25 |
| Greenough, Sarah C. | 25 |
| Harrop, Elizabeth A. | 25 |
| Harrop, Rebecca E. | 1 00 |
| Haggenbotham, May | 25 |
| Huffman, Edith R. | 25 |
| Ingram, Wm. S. | 25 |
| James, Helen M. | 10 00 |
| Kemp, Dr. Agnes | 26 25 |
| Lansdowne W. S. A. | 25 |
| Longshore, Dr. Hannah E. | 25 |
| Medley, Dr. J. | 25 |
| Moore, Daniel | |
| Moore, Mrs. M. F. | |
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| No Name (Philadelphia) | 25 |
| No Name (Philadelphia) | 25 |
| No Name (Norristown) | 25 |
| Pennock, George L. | 1 00 |
| Philadelphia Co. S. S. | 10 00 |
| Purvis, Tacie | 25 |
| Purvis, Robert | 25 |
| Reese, Jacob | 25 |
| Smedley, Mrs. S. L. | 25 00 |
| Smith, Eleanor Shaw | 25 |
| Smith, M. Anna | 1 00 |
| Solebury E. S. A. | 25 |
| Swarthmore W. S. L. | 2 60 |
| Taylor, Mrs. F. H. | 2 25 |
| W....., Mrs. M. L. | 25 |
| West Chester E. S. A. | 3 00 |

149 97

RHODE ISLAND.

(General Treasury.)

| | |
|-------------------------|--------|
| Aux. Dues | \$5 50 |
| Calder, Ellen M. | 1 00 |
| Henry, George | 4 00 |
| Little Compton W. S. L. | 10 00 |

20 50

(Organization Committee.)

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|---------------------------------|--------|
| Anthony and Washington W. S. L. | 2 00 |
| Calder, Ellen M. | 1 25 |
| Chace, Elizabeth B. | 1 00 |
| Dowing, A. C. | 25 |
| Eddy, Sarah J. | 200 00 |
| French, Jeannette S. | 1 25 |
| Henry, George | 25 |
| Spencer, Anna Garlin | 25 |
| Wilbur, J. Eva | 25 |

206 50

SOUTH CAROLINA.

(General Treasury.)

| | |
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| Aux. Dues for 1897 | \$2 20 |
| Aux. Dues | 2 15 |
| Hemphill, Gen. R. R. | 1 00 |
| Schofield, Martha | 1 00 |

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SOUTH DAKOTA.

(General Treasury.)

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| Aux. Dues | 15 00 |
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| Lang, Anne | 2 00 |
| Peel, Margaret E. | 2 00 |

19 00

(Organization Committee.)

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| Abraham, John | 2 00 |
| Adams, Ezra | 1 00 |
| Almy, Mrs. H. A. | 1 00 |
| Ames, Mrs. Truman | 2 00 |
| Bex, Amelia | 2 00 |
| Bloom, Josephine | 2 00 |
| Borough, Mrs. W. A. | 2 00 |
| Boswell, Mrs. W. C. | 2 00 |
| Bower, Mrs. W. G. | 1 00 |
| Breeden, Mrs. Jane R. | 2 00 |
| Bryan, Mrs. J. S. A. | 192 78 |
| Chappell, Rev. S. A. | 2 00 |
| Coates, Mrs. E. H. | 2 00 |
| Collections of Organizers | 2 00 |
| Collins, Phebe | 2 00 |
| Cook, Mrs. M. J. | 2 00 |
| Cramer, Mrs. E. M. | 2 00 |
| Curtis, Mrs. H. H. | 2 00 |
| Daniels, Estelle L. | 1 00 |
| Darnall, Mrs. R. S. M. | 2 00 |
| Deha, Mrs. T. H. | 2 00 |
| Dixon, Mrs. | 2 00 |
| Dopp, Catherine S. | 2 00 |
| Drake, Mrs. R. M. L. | 2 00 |
| Fallgatter, Mrs. George | 1 00 |
| Farmer, Mrs. | 2 00 |
| Filber, Mrs. B. | 2 00 |
| Fitch, Sarah B. | 2 00 |
| Fitts, M. E. | 2 00 |
| Foster, Bessie R. | 1 00 |
| Fowler, Lydia | 1 00 |
| Gilte, Julia | 2 00 |
| Hagar, Rev. R. B. | 2 00 |
| Hall, Amelia | 1 00 |
| Hassan, Cora | 2 30 |
| Hawn, Addie | 2 00 |
| Huntley, S. F. | 1 00 |
| Hyde, Anna R. | 2 00 |
| Kimball, Nellie B. | 2 00 |
| Kyle, Mrs. Jas. H. | 2 00 |
| Laidlaw, John | 2 00 |
| Lusk, Mrs. T. M. | 2 00 |
| Lyman, Henrietta C. | 2 00 |
| Martin, Hattie | 2 00 |

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|---------------------------|--------|
| Mellor, Mrs. T. | 2 00 |
| Middleton, Florence S. | 2 00 |
| Miller, Mollie | 2 00 |
| McClellon, Mrs. R. B. | 2 00 |
| McGee, Helen | 2 00 |
| Nash, Clara W. | 2 00 |
| Norris, Mrs. | 50 |
| Pearson, Mrs. F. L. | 2 00 |
| Reifenbach, Mrs. | 1 00 |
| Robinson, Mrs. M. S. | 1 00 |
| Rowland, Etta A. | 2 00 |
| Russell, Mrs. J. H. | 2 00 |
| Scripture, Mrs. L. W. | 1 00 |
| Shouse, Dr. H. C. | 1 00 |
| Smith, Kate | 2 00 |
| Stephens, Jane | 2 00 |
| Sterling, Julia | 1 00 |
| Stevens, Mrs. M. J. | 2 00 |
| Tollison, Alice | 2 00 |
| Van Alstine, Carrie | 2 00 |
| Vanderhule, Mrs. F. F. | 2 00 |
| Wade, Mrs. J. | 1 00 |
| Walker, Mrs. H. A. | 2 00 |
| White, Matilda | 2 00 |
| Williams, Anna | 1 00 |
| Wood, Katharine G. | 2 00 |
| Youngman, Rev. T. H. | 2 00 |
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| Aux. Dues | 315 78 |
| (General Treasury.) | |
| TENNESSEE | |
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| Bailett, Miss E. A. | 25 |
| Bailett, Miss J. | 25 |
| Bailett, Affa A. | 25 |
| Bailett, Napoleon | 25 |
| Collections of Organizers | 15 55 |
| Koscius, Mrs. M. B. | 25 |
| Koscius, Mrs. L. C. | 25 |
| Marysville E. S. A. | 1 00 |
| McTeer, Mary T. W. | 25 |
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| Aux. Dues for 1897 | 18 30 |
| (General Treasury.) | |
| UTAH | |
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| Caine, Margaret A. | \$1 00 |
| (General Treasury.) | |

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|---------------------------|--------|
| Kimball, Sarah M. | 1 00 |
| Taylor, Elmira S. | 2 00 |
| Wells, Emmeline B. | 1 00 |
| Young, Zina D. H. | 6 00 |
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| Caine, Margaret A. | 25 |
| Gillmer, Mary E. | 25 |
| Kimball, Sarah M. | 25 |
| Taylor, Elmira S. | 25 |
| Wells, Emmeline B. | 25 |
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| Kimball, Sarah M. | 3 25 |
| (Organization Committee.) | |
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| Chandler, Mrs. A. D. | 1 00 |
| Moore, Laura | 1 00 |
| Wyman, C. W. | 4 00 |
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| Chandler, Mrs. A. D. | 25 |
| Foster, Mrs. W. W. | 25 |
| Moore, Laura | 25 |
| No Name (Rochester) | 25 |
| Wyman, C. W. | 25 |
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| Aux. Dues | 70 |
| (General Treasury.) | |
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| Brown, Elisan | 1 00 |
| Dodge, Elizabeth | 1 00 |
| Green, Mrs. L. M. | 1 00 |
| Langhorne, Orta | 1 00 |
| Shumate, Mattie | 1 00 |
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| Dodge, Elizabeth B. | 10 00 |
| (Organization Committee.) | |
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| Aux. Dues for 1897 | 2 00 |
| (General Treasury.) | |
| WASHINGTON | |
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| Hughes, Mrs. Edwin | \$1 00 |
| Aux. Dues for 1897 | 1 00 |

WISCONSIN.

(General Treasury.)

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| Aux. Dues | \$11 70 |
| Schufeldt, Mrs. H. H. | 1 00 |
| Wolcott, Emmeline G. | 1 00 |

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(Organization Committee.)

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|-----------------------------------------|--------|
| Alsop, Mrs. F. E. | 1 00 |
| Anthony, Gertrude | 2 00 |
| Averill, Mrs. A. L. | 5 00 |
| A Friend (Madison) | 2 00 |
| Bancroft, Mrs. A. A. | 2 00 |
| Centralia Suffrage Club | 3 00 |
| Collections at Madison Conference | 131 15 |
| Crosby, Frances S. | 2 00 |
| Crossman, Grace | 1 00 |
| Darien Suffrage Club | 1 00 |
| Ford, Patience | 1 00 |
| Lake Mills Suffrage Club | 3 50 |
| Madison W. S. A. | 7 50 |
| Netherwood, Chas. W. | 5 00 |
| Northport E. S. L. | 2 00 |
| Patchin, Hannah E. | 25 |
| Post, Mrs. Wm. | 2 00 |
| Santley, E. D. | 1 00 |
| Savage, Minnie | 1 00 |
| Schufeldt, Mrs. H. H. | 25 |
| Sharp, Dr. Mila B. | 2 00 |
| Steele, Mrs. F. | 25 |
| Stewart, Sarah A. | 25 |
| Torgeson, Mrs. | 1 00 |
| Walsh, Jennie L. | 1 00 |
| Warner, Mrs. C. E. | 25 |

178 40

WEST VIRGINIA.

(General Treasury.)

| | |
|----------------------------|--------|
| Boyd, Annie Caldwell | \$1 00 |
| Grove, Mrs. M. H. | 1 00 |
| Manly, Jessie G. | 1 00 |
| Post, Florence, M.D. | 4 00 |

7 00

(Organization Committee.)

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| Fairmount P. E. C. | 20 00 |
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WYOMING.

(General Treasury.)

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| Cary, Joseph M. | \$1 00 |
| Cary, Louisa | 1 00 |

2 00

(Organization Committee.)

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| Cary, Louisa | 25 |
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FRANCE.

(General Treasury.)

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| Curtis, Atherton and Louisa Burleigh..... | \$150 00 |
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(Organization Committee.)

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| Curtis, Atherton and Louisa Burleigh..... | 50 00 |
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MISCELLANEOUS.

(General Treasury.)

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|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Balance from 1896 | \$83 43 |
| Balance from 1896 (Southern Committee)..... | 6 50 |
| Business Committee | 3 33 |
| Collections at 1897 Convention | 165 08 |
| Loan from Second National Bank at Warren, Ohio | 400 00 |
| Organization Committee (transfer on account of Rent at Headquarters) | 4 16 |
| Profit from Sales of Supplies at Headquarters | 66 33 |
| Returned on Loans to Headquarters..... | 72 50 |

801 33

(Organization Committee.)

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| Balance from 1896 | 70 00 |
| Cash on hand in Office (see page 42 of printed Minutes of 1897) | 28 62 |
| Loan from "Sewall Fund" | 200 00 |
| Loan from "A Friend" | 800 00 |
| Lyon, Marentha | 25 |
| No name | 25 |
| No name | 25 |
| No name | 25 |
| No name | 25 |
| Profit on "Extra Session" | 3 10 |
| Profit on Calendars | 156 23 |

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| Total of General Treasury..... | \$3,848 19 |
| Total of Organization Committee..... | 10,206 94 |

\$14,055 13

Disbursements.

GENERAL TREASURY.

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| Copy of Eliza Murphy's Will | \$1 50 | |
| Inheritance Tax to State of New Jersey for Eliza Murphy Bequest | 25 00 | |
| Printing "Utah Victory" Leaflet | 32 00 | |
| A. J. Ferris, for printing Pamphlet Report of 1897 Convention | 200 00 | |
| Postage on Pamphlet Report of 1897 Convention.. | 23 00 | |
| Printing Bulletin for 1897 | 88 25 | |
| Balance on Stationery Bill for 1896..... | 59 75 | |
| F. W. Perry, for printing on Treasurer's Stationery Expenses of Business Committee Meeting at Adams, Mass. | 69 45 | |
| Interest on \$400 for 90 days. | 7 00 | |
| Express | 80 | |
| Loan to Headquarters for Leaflet Account..... | 44 74 | |
| Credential Blanks for Convention of 1898..... | 2 50 | |
| Wm. Fleming for signing R. R. Certificates for Convention of 1898. | 23 00 | |
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PRESIDENT.

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| To apply on 1896 Clerk Hire (Contributed)..... | \$130 00 | |
| Clerk Hire | 425 00 | 555 00 |

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

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| Office Supplies and Postage | \$23 15 | |
| Clerk Hire | 336 64 | 359 79 |

TREASURER.

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|--------------------------------------------|---------|--------|
| Office Supplies | \$20 81 | |
| Postage | 60 35 | |
| Rack for Typewriter | 2 00 | |
| Ribbons for Typewriter | 1 50 | |
| Ribbons for Typewriter (2)..... | 1 25 | |
| Printing Treasurer's Circular Letter | 3 00 | |
| Five Receipt Books | 1 50 | |
| 500 Membership Tickets | 4 00 | |
| Books for Office for 1898 | 333 23 | 427 64 |

SOUTHERN COMMITTEE

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| Florida E. S. A. | \$6 50 | 6 50 |
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CONVENTION EXPENSES.

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| New Star on Flag | \$ 30 | |
| Telegrams | 1 91 | |
| R. R. Committee for Postage and Supplies..... | 4 40 | |
| Rent for Typewriter | 1 50 | |
| Express, Postage, Newspapers, Mesengers, Ink, Paper, and Electrotype for Program | 16 28 | |
| Printing Programs | 38 50 | |
| Rent of Church | 120 00 | |
| Expenses of Business Committee | 267 17 | 450 06 |

HEADQUARTERS.

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| Janitor's Fees at Philadelphia | \$15 00 | |
| Rent at Philadelphia | 60 00 | |
| Office Expenses at Philadelphia | 14 17 | |
| Balance on Moving Expenses | 27 84 | |
| Clerk Hire at Philadelphia | 166 65 | |
| Lettering on Door of New York Headquarters.... | 4 87 | |
| Lettering on Door of New York Headquarters.... | 17 25 | |
| Office Supplies, Express and Telegrams..... | 1 50 | |
| Postage | 5 00 | |
| Repairing Typewriter | 242 50 | |
| Clerk Hire at New York | 266 66 | 821 44 |

PRESS WORK.

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| Balance on Press Work at Philadelphia..... | \$17 60 | |
| Press Work at New York Headquarters, including Ink for Mimeographing, Stationery, Postage, etc. | 89 85 | 107 45 |

ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE.

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| Expense of Conferences | \$1,169 70 | |
| Expenses and Salaries of Advance Agents and Organizers | 7,157 66 | |
| Rent from April, 1897, to January 1st, 1898 | 150 00 | |
| Photographs used in Iowa and South Dakota Campaigns | 174 00 | |
| Printing | 125 15 | |
| Office Expenses and Clerk Hire..... | 1,216 46 | |

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| Garrison Note | 200 00 | |
| Interest on Garrison Note | 3 33 | |
| | | 10,196 30 |
| Carried Forward | 3,307 12 | |
| | | \$13,503 42 |
| Balance of Organization Committee..... | | 10 64 |
| Balance of General Treasury..... | 541 07 | |
| | | \$14,055 13 |

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

National-American Woman Suffrage Association.

1898.

ARTICLE I.

NAME.

The name of this Association shall be the National American Woman Suffrage Association.

ARTICLE II.

OBJECT.

The object of this association shall be to secure protection, in their right to vote, to the woman citizens of the United States, by appropriate National and State legislation.

ARTICLE III.

MEMBERS.

Section 1. Any State Woman Suffrage Association may become auxiliary to the National American Woman Suffrage Association, and thus secure representation in the annual convention, by paying annually into its treasury ten cents per member of the State Society and its paid-up auxiliaries.

Sec. 2. All persons paying not less than one dollar annually into the treasury of this Association shall become members thereof, and shall be entitled to attend all its public meetings, to participate in all discussions, and to receive reports and other documents published by it, but shall not be entitled to vote. The payment of fifty dollars (\$50) into the treasury shall constitute a Life Member of the Association, with all the privileges belonging to the regular annual members.

Sec. 3. The persons entitled to vote at the annual convention shall be three delegates-at-large for each auxiliary State Society, and one delegate in addition for every one hundred members of each State auxiliary; the State Presidents and State Members of the National Executive Committee; the General Officers of this Association; and the chairman of standing committees.

ARTICLE IV.

OFFICERS.

Section 1. The officers of this Association shall be a President, a Vice-President-at-Large, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer and two Auditors.

Sec. 2. Presidents of auxiliary State Associations shall be *ex officio* Vice-Presidents.

ARTICLE V.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

Section 1. The General Officers, viz. the President, Vice-President-at-Large, Recording and Corresponding Secretaries, Treasurer and two Auditors, with the Honorary President and the Chairman of the Organization Committee, shall constitute a Business Committee, to supervise the general interests of the work (in the interim) of the annual meetings. Five members shall constitute a quorum, or a majority may act by correspondence. Special meetings may be called by the President, and must be called when requested by three members of the Business Committee.

Sec. 2. The President shall perform the duties usual to such office.

Sec. 3. The Vice-President shall perform all the duties of the President in case of the President's absence or disability.

Sec. 4. The Recording Secretary shall keep a correct record of the proceedings, and perform all other duties usual to such office.

Sec. 5. The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct all correspondence of the organization, and shall secure from the Corresponding Secretary of each auxiliary State Association a report of its work.

Sec. 6. The Treasurer shall keep an accurate account of receipts and disbursements, and shall present a detailed report thereof at each annual meeting. The Treasurer shall pay no bill of the general association, except on an order of the President and Recording Secretary, but may disburse the funds of standing committees, when directed to do so by an authorized person on the committee, without the signature of the President and Recording Secretary. The Treasurer shall provide the State Associations with blank credentials for delegates to the annual meeting, and shall be *ex officio* Chairman of the Committee on Credentials. The books of the Treasurer must close the first day of January, and the Treasurer's report shall be read at the second business meeting of the annual convention.

Sec. 7. The Auditors shall examine and verify the books of the Treasurer, and shall give a report thereof at each annual meeting.

ARTICLE VI.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Section 1. The General Officers of this Association shall be elected

on the last day but one of the annual meeting. They shall be nominated by an informal ballot. The three persons receiving the highest number of votes for any office shall be considered the nominees, and the election be decided by a formal ballot.

Sec. 2. The term of the General Officers shall expire at the end of the last session of the convention, and the term of the newly elected officers shall commence with the session of the Executive Committee held at the close of the convention.

Sec. 3. The Business Committee may fill any vacancy on that committee which may occur during the year.

Sec. 4. In the election of officers the delegates present from each State shall cast the full vote to which that State is entitled. The vote shall be taken in the same way upon any other question whenever the delegates present from five States request it. In other cases each delegate shall have one vote.

ARTICLE VII.

This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any annual meeting, after one day's notice in the Convention, notice of the proposed amendment having been given to the Business Committee, and by them published in the suffrage papers not less than three months in advance.

BY-LAWS

BY-LAW I.

ANNUAL CONVENTION.

Section 1. This Association shall hold an annual convention of regularly elected delegates for the election of officers and the transaction of business. An annual meeting shall be held in Washington, D. C., during the first session of each Congress.

Sec. 2. In the absence of State President or State Member of the Executive Committee, the delegation from that State may elect a proxy by ballot.

Sec. 3. A State Association, having no delegates present, shall not give a proxy to a person from another State.

Sec. 4. Any State whose dues are unpaid on January 1st shall lose its vote in the convention for that year.

Sec. 5. Delegates must present credentials signed by the President and Recording Secretary of their respective States.

BY-LAW II.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Sec. 1. The Business Committee, the President of each State, and

one member from each State, together with the Chairmen of standing committees shall constitute the Executive Committee of this Association; of these officers, fifteen shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Sec. 2. The Executive Committee of this Association shall hold one session preceding the opening of each Annual Convention, and another at its close.

Sec. 3. The decisions reached by the Executive Committee shall be presented in the form of recommendations at the business sessions of the convention.

Sec. 4. The Executive Committee may elect annually ten or more honorary Vice-Presidents.

BY-LAW III.

The Committee on Resolutions shall consist of one person from each State, elected by the delegation from the organization represented.

BY-LAW IV.

After each annual convention the Business Committee shall elect the following Standing Committees: A Committee on Programme, to consist of five persons, one from each section of the country, of which the President shall be chairman, to arrange the programme for the next annual meeting; a Congressional Committee, to have in charge the direct Congressional work; Committees on Press Work, Enrollment, Federal Suffrage, Presidential Suffrage, Local Arrangements and Railroad Rates.

BY-LAW V.

The annual report prepared by the Secretary of each State Association, and approved by the President of that Association, must be read as written, and any alterations must be made from the floor in open convention.

BY-LAW VI.

These By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any annual meeting, one day's notice having been given in convention.

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1898.

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