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WHAT KIND OF MEN WANT WOMEN TO VOTE, AND WHY.

Statesmen, Philosophers and Scientists Have Endorsed Woman Suffrage.

Abraham Lincoln said: "I go for all sharing the privilege of government who assist in bearing its burdens, by no means excluding women."

Ralph Waldo Emerson said: "It is very cheap wit that finds it so droll that women should vote."

William Lloyd Garrison said: "Women are as much interested in legislation as men and are entitled to representation."

Henry Ward Beecher said: "We need the participation of women in the ballot box."

Philips Brooks said: "I am in favor of Woman Suffrage."

John Stuart Mill said: "To have a voice in choosing those by whom one is governed is a means of self-protection due to everyone."

John D. Long said: "I have never heard a reason against Woman Suffrage that was not an insult to the understanding of a very small boy."

Chief Justice Brewer said: "Female suffrage will come. It will introduce a refining and uplifting power into our political life."

This list might be indefinitely prolonged to include such well known men as George William Curtis, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, John Greenleaf Whittier, Wendell Phillips, Thomas B. Reed, John Graham Brooks, Thomas Wentworth Higginson, Brand Whitlock, Cardinal Moran, Harvey W. Wiley, Louis E. Brandeis, Edward T. Devine, Dr. Simon Flexner, Prof. John Dewey, Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, William Dean Howells, Reginald Kauffman, Gifford Pinchot, Senator LaFollette and Dr. Howard Kelley.

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Labor Men Demand Votes for 6,000,000 Working Women.

The American Federation of Labor and the Connecticut State Federation of Labor have endorsed Women Suffrage.

The National Grange has endorsed Woman Suffrage.

Labor battles are fought out more and more on the political field.

Workingmen realize that they cannot afford to have six million workers politically helpless.

Disfranchised, disorganized women lower wages in every trade they enter.

The late **Carroll D. Wright**, National Commissioner of Labor, said: "The lack of direct political influence constitutes a powerful reason why women's wages have been kept at a minimum."

John Mitchell says: "I believe that it would be better for all of us if women could vote."

Samuel Gompers says: "I believe in Woman Suffrage as a matter of human justice."

Ex-Gov. C. S. Thomas of Colorado said: "To the bread-winning portion of the female sex the ballot is a boon. She is a factor whose power must be respected. Like her brother, she must be reckoned with at the polls. Hence it is her buckler against industrial wrong. If no other reason existed for conferring the right on womankind, this to the man of justice would be all-sufficient."

Men from Six of the Ten States Where Women Vote Tell What They Think of Woman Suffrage in Practice.

Governor Bryant B. Brooks of Wyoming says: "Nothing can be so far from the truth as the idea that Woman Suffrage has the slightest tendency to disrupt the home. Indeed it has the very opposite effect. As a result of it politics is talked freely in the family circle, and political questions are settled by intelligent discussion. This has a great and good influence on the growing generation. The children grow up in an atmosphere that encourages intelligent consideration and debate of public problems, and are thus better equipped to deal with public questions when they reach voting age."

Governor Shafroth of Colorado says: "Political corruption in Colorado is not because of Woman Suffrage, but in spite of it. The contention that good women will not vote is flatly contradicted in the four Equal Suffrage States. Statistics set at rest the claim that woman will not vote. Colorado has had Woman Suffrage for nineteen years, and has found it of inestimable benefit to her people."

Judge Ben Lindsey of the Denver Juvenile Court says: "We have in Colorado the most advanced laws of any state in the union for the care and protection of the home and children. We owe this more to Woman Suffrage than to any other cause."

Ex-Governor John C. Cutler of Utah said: "Politics has been benefitted by the refining influence of women; and, instead of being unsexed or debased, the women have been broadened and bettered intellectually and socially."

Governor James H. Brady of Idaho said: "Woman Suffrage has been an unqualified success, not only in Idaho, but in all western states adopting the principle."

Governor Marion E. Hay of Washington said: "The splendid work of the women in Seattle and Tacoma in helping to clean up the cities would in itself justify the extension of the Suffrage to the women of Washington."

Ex-Governor George C. Pardee of California said: "I can say on behalf of California that since we have had equal suffrage there has been absolutely no cause in the state to regret the step that has been taken. . . . In a short time woman suffrage will win out in every state in this country."

Opponents of Woman Suffrage still exist in the ten western states where women vote.

Who are they?

Judge Ben Lindsey of the Denver Juvenile Court explains this: "The liquor interests hate the voting woman because they can not fool her out of her antagonism. The public service corporations fear the voting woman because they can not "handle" her. And who so blind as to deny the political partnership of the saloon and the franchise-grabbing corporations? These corrupt and malign influences have always worked together, and are working together now in the desperate endeavor to prevent the spread of equal suffrage. The gambler, the saloonkeeper, *macquereau* and barrel-house boss—the respectable criminals who fatten on franchises and the exploitation of the people—these are the people at the bottom of the anti-suffrage agitation. *They* constitute the secret influence that is inflaming conservatism and traditional prejudices."

A Men's League for Woman Suffrage Has Been Started in Connecticut to Work for Votes for Women.

It was started by such men as Attorney-General John H. Light Henry Wade Rogers, Dean of the Yale Law School, Col. Norris G. Osborn, Senator Stiles Judson, Senator Archibald McNeil, Senator Francis Atwater, A. S. G. Taylor, Julius Maltby, M. Toscan Bennett, Rev. H. C. Meserve, Ernest Thompson Seton, Louis E. Stoddard, and William T. Hincks.

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