

which she can seek to obtain the civic improvement she wants except a suffrage or anti-suffrage party. Many thousands of women are of little service now because they do not regard getting or opposing suffrage as the chief end of existence and have no other entry into political activity.

The train was also of real service to men. It gave them a new point of view regarding women's powers of organization, resourcefulness and ability to do team work. It uncovered the Democratic opposition and activity which many of them had not even suspected. It put ginger and interest into a lifeless campaign. It cracked the surface of the selfish, material, wholly complacent issues of the campaign and restored to many a little of the faith and courage of the few who prefer a surrender of prosperity to a surrender of national honor and rights.

A more careful analysis of women's work and the women's vote in the recent election, where the returns are available, will strengthen the conclusion that women will become an increasingly important factor in national elections, and with nation-wide education and organization can be entrusted with full responsibilities of both counsel and leadership. The party that profits by the lesson of this campaign and proceeds intelligently and thoroughly to the organization and education of its women citizens, by inviting them to participate in its counsels, by utilizing their powers in outlining its policies, by consulting them in its nominations, by appointing them to office and entrusting them with the disbursement of public funds, by trusting them with leadership, will lay a sound foundation for success in 1920. Early recognition of this fact is a national duty by both political parties. And to organize the means of remedy is the first obligation of both.