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sense of sex transcends their sense of justice, would prescribe unloving wife-hood as a panacea for disappointments of the heart.

Inexorable destiny will as surely mete out justice to Whitelaw Ried as the seasons roll. His punishment may seem slow in coming, but if those who now view him admiringly from afar, as the American plutocratic plenipotentiary of a foreign court, could read the innermost recesses of his heart, they would not envy him the riches and honor that must be overshadowed continually by uncompromising remorse.

#### PLANS OF THE O. S. W. S. A.

Arguments in favor of woman suffrage are no longer needed in the Pacific northwest. The ground was so thoroughly gone over during the fourteen years of organized effort which resulted in school suffrage for women in Oregon, Montana and Idaho, and full suffrage in Washington territory, that occasional speakers on the subject can do little else than thresh old stubble, when they attempt by argument to convince the people of the fact which to all enlightened people is self-evident, that "governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed." What is needed now is the organized experience of the wisest and clearest-headed people, who know the difference between force and freedom, and have sufficient practicability of idea and action to shun the Scylla of fanaticism on the one hand and steer clear of the Charybdes of political trickery on the other. Our ship of equal rights is not wrecked, but its wheels, shackled by the power of political chicanery, are struggling to shake loose from the thrall that binds them, impelled by the fires of freedom, which may be smoldering in places for a time, but only to break forth again with greater power than before.

Enboldened by these facts, the executive committee of the long silent, but never sleeping Oregon state woman suffrage association, decided with the beginning of the present year to call a convention and reorganize its forces. In pursuance of this call, a well attended and most encouraging series of meetings was held at the Marquam Grand opera house in Portland, during which speeches were made by Mesdames Keenan, Thompson, Duniway and Hendershott, and by Reverend David Wetzell, Professor De Johns and Mr. Moses Hull. Excellent music by the Marquam Grand orchestra was agreeably varied by the charming solos of Miss Ida McMillan, and elocutionary favors of a high order were rendered by Mrs. Elizabeth Gerrould. Letters from Reverend Dr. Eliot, Rev. Dr. Kummer and Rev. Mr. Clapp were read, warmly indorsing the objects of the convention. Telegrams of greeting were read from Susan B. Anthony, of Washington, D. C., and from Henry R. Blackwell, Lucy Stone, Mary A. Livermore and William Lloyd Garrison.

The officers of the state association chosen for the current year, are, president, Dr. Lydia Hunt King; vice president at large, Abigail Scott Duniway; recording secretary, Miss Mary E. Combs; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Nora Seeley Butterfield; treasurer, Mrs. Hubert R. Duniway; executive committee, Dr. Hunt King; Mrs. A. S. Duniway, Mrs. C. A. Coburn, Mrs. Flora McKinney, Mrs. W. A. D'Arcy. Vice presidents for counties, Mrs. W. A. Dalton, Multnomah; Mrs. Anna B. Reed, Linn; Mrs. J. Devore Johnson, Clackamas; Mrs. Olive England, Marion; Mrs. Lee Laughlin, Yamhill; Mrs. Minerva Eaton, Union; Mrs. J. De Spain, Umatilla; Mrs. C. Donnell, Wasco; Mrs. H. B. Parker, Clatsop; Mrs. A. S. Patterson, Lane; Mrs. Emma Bicker, Coos and Curry; Mrs. M. F. Alfred, Baker; Mrs. S. A. Sloane, Washington; Mrs. R. Hayes, Tillamook; Mrs. A. B. Little, Columbia; Mrs. Clemmie Tuller Bell, Benton; Mrs. O. C. Applegate, Lake; Mrs. W. E. Thompson, Jackson. Morrow, Grant, Crook and Harney to be supplied. Abigail Scott Duniway and Nora Seeley Butterfield were chosen as delegates to the late national council of women and national American woman suffrage convention at Washington, D. C. Mrs. Duniway reported in person at Washington, and secured the hearty co-operation of the leading woman suffragists of the world, of whom a number of the most famous are already preparing to visit the Pacific coast and hold a series of conventions under the auspices of the W. S. A., of which due notice will be given.

Correspondence from all parts of the country is solicited from those who are willing to assist in this enterprise, for which the harvest is now ripe.

#### SUFFRAGE SOCIABLE AND DRAMATIC ENTERTAINMENT.

The success of the suffrage sociable and dramatic entertainment recently given in this city surpassed expectations.

There was a large attendance. Mrs. Julia Ward Howe opened the meeting with a brief but graceful address, and then resigned the chair to Mrs.

Lucy Stone, pleading the fatigue of a busy day, and of the long journey from which she has lately returned. It took her as far west as Colorado Springs, and Mrs. Howe spoke appreciatively of the generous hospitality of the west. After supper a suffrage song was sung by Mr. T. A. Callahan, of Worcester, accompanied by Mrs. Bailey, and brief addresses were made by Mrs. Stone, H. H. Faxon, Mrs. A. A. Clafin, H. B. Blackwell, F. A. Clafin, and Mrs. E. N. L. Walton. A spirited song was sung by John Hutchinson and his daughter Viola. Miss Thompson, of Malden, gave a recitation, and violin music was finely rendered by Miss Margie Haynes, accompanied on the piano by her cousin, Miss Olive Haynes.

The folding doors of the chapel were then thrown open, and the company passed through into the *Melodion*; and after another suffrage song by Mr. T. A. Callahan, the amusing little domestic drama, "A Happy Pair," was well performed by a young lady and gentleman of Cambridge.

After more violin music by Miss Haynes, and another song by John Hutchinson and his daughter, a vote of thanks was passed to the friends who had so kindly contributed the music and the dramatic entertainment, and the company broke up with beaming faces, feeling that they had passed a very pleasant evening.

Many bright things were said in the speeches. A few points only have been saved. Mr. Faxon said, "It is about time to stop praying for the drunkard, and begin to pray for the legislature." He paid a warm tribute to the good sense and efficiency of women; and said it was for this reason that he was glad to give money to societies of women. "When I give women \$25, \$50 or \$100, they don't sit down and quarrel over the money, but they go to work and spend it judiciously." Mrs. Clafin said: "We know we shall win in the end, because in this struggle somebody has got to give in, and we know it won't be we"—a sentiment which called forth strong applause. There were some lively expressions of opinion on political questions, but a spirit of good nature prevailed.—*Boston Woman's Journal*.

The Portia club, of Boston, composed of lady lawyers, had a "gentlemen's night" lately, the guests of especial honor being Mr. and Mrs. George Howard Fall, of Malden, in celebration of Mrs. Fall's recent admission to the Suffolk bar. The other members were all accompanied by husbands or friends. For after-dinner exercises, instead of toasts and speeches, there was a mock bar examination, and Miss Greene, of Providence, R. I., who presided, was especially happy as chief-justice and examiner.

A Washington special to the *New York Tribune*, descriptive of the woman's meeting in that city, says:

The world, that is, the world of fashion, in Washington, moves so fast that each year the woman suffrage convention is more and more a fashionable assembly, graced by many of the brightest female intellects of the day.

The women's university club of New York gave a reception and tea at the club rooms, No. 343 Madison avenue, on February 28, in honor of Mrs. Alice Freeman Palmer, ex-president of Wellesley college. Previous to the reception Mrs. Palmer gave a lecture to the Barnard college students upon "The Influence of the Educated Woman in the Home."

The Women's Medical college, of Georgia, has this year graduated seven women as physicians, and a number of others received certificates as nurses. The salutatory was given by Miss Sara Souther, the valedictory by Mrs. Jennie Yelvington. Mrs. Yelvington and Miss Jennie Newman took the first and second prizes, respectively.

A new charitable movement has been started by the King's Daughters in Bangor, Me. A house will be opened, where young women can be taken care of until they have secured employment, and where those who are not earning enough to support themselves can be boarded and assisted.

About 25 women of Worcester, Mass., interested in the study of constitutional and parliamentary law, have formed a society for the study of these subjects, with Mrs. Charlotte E. Powers as president, Mrs. H. M. Ware, secretary, and Mrs. M. B. Lane, treasurer.

The Kansas legislature, before adjourning, voted an appropriation for improvements and additional buildings for the state industrial school for girls.