ANSWERS DR. WILSON'S FIFTEEN REASONS

Portland, Or., May 27.—To the Editor of The Journal—Will you kindly give space to the following reply to Rev. Clarence True Wilson's 15, and as many more reasons, for voting against the suffrage amendment.

The first reason—"Because it is a betterment of quality we need among our voters and not merely a doubling of quantity"—along with the question, "Will society be improved by the granting of the ballot to women indicates the real estimate and status of woman in the mind of the questioner and belies all the honeyed expressions of anxiety for the 'lovely women of Oregon.'"

A real belief and faith in the goodness and loveliness of our women would enable one to know that their influence in any place would be for the uplift and betterment of all with whom they come in contact. The power to cast a ballot cannot change their instincts. Because the sentiment, "Taxation without representation is tyranny" originally referred to the condition of the 13 colonies is no argument that the truth it contains does not apply with equal force to the status of women in the eyes of the law. As well might we say that because the 10 commandments were originally given by Moses to the Israelites, therefore they cannot apply to others.

The fact is that taxation and the imposition of laws and burdens by one class upon another, by our local, state, and national government, is worse than tyranny, when we consider the enlightened age in which we live.

Property Owners Ignored.

One class can never represent another. The wrongs inflicted upon women property-holders have been so flagrant in many states and their interests so entirely ignored and neglected and the facts so thoroughly known that it is not necessary to prove here that they have never been, and are not now, "properly represented by their husbands, fathers and brothers."

"Because I do not like the influence of 'doing politics' upon the faces the habits, the character of our lovely women," is a contradiction in itself, and is about as much of an argument as if I should say that I have seen some of the hardened politicians of Portland as they have assembled along Burnside and because I do not like the influence of "doing politics" upon the faces of these "lovely men" I am opposed to male suffrage.

Does the hardened politician of Burnside street represent the Rev. Clarence True Wilson and his ministerial brethren and all the other respectable voters?

"Voting has no reference to taxes," is another utterance and the next contradicts this one when he says, "We pay our taxes in return for the protection to life and property by the laws of a civilized nation."

Who makes up this civilized nation—who are the law-makers and how do they become law-makers? Do they not become law-makers by the votes of male citizens? Has voting no reference to taxes?

If the power to vote is a "delegated power given by "society" we would like to know who gave "society" the power to give it, and who composes "society?"

Some man must have assumed we had a right in the beginning. Self-protection is a natural right.

Because some men look upon the privilege of voting as a "stern duty" is no argument why intelligent women should be denied the power of making their influence felt for good in the most effective way in every avenue of life. It is surprising that anyone who could ascertain facts concerning the working of equal suffrage in the state where it has been in operation should say that "where women have been given the ballot they have had to be exempted from the duties that accompany it." This is one of those misleaders that abound throughout these objections, which are full of half-truths. It must be true that some women as well as some men are exempted from jury duty, from serving in the militia and from being elected sheriff but the assumption that women when granted the privilege of citizenship are not ready to bear their share of the burdens and responsibilities of government is not borne out by the facts.

Women as Jurors.

Women have served on jury and became a terror to evil-doers in the state of Washington. They won the commendation of judges and lawyers of that state for their conscientious painstaking work. Women are not exempted as a class from jury duty in any state where women vote.

The argument that because women voters are excused from calls to serve on militia or police force, therefore, they are unfit for the duties of government, comes with very little power from one who represents a class that is exempt from many of these duties.

There are many departments of service in government and women like the privileged class of men may gravitate toward those departments for which they have the greatest aptitude. "It would be an exceptional man as well as woman who should be qualified to quell a riot," but it certainly would not take very exceptional talent on the part of women to manage the details of a city government better than the average management at the present time.

Put the matter of our street cleaning and street improvement into the hands of the Woman's club. Give the women a chance to dispose of the garbage. Let us help to elect a pure food commissioner and a city bacteriologist and the babies and people generally would not have to swallow so much impure milk and "preservatived" and "formaldehyded" meat, poultry, fish, and other foods.

It may be that "some people base the supposed right of women to vote on the ground of the equality of the sexes." We are not of that number and we think these "people" were made of straw for the purpose of destruction by the beligerent brother. What do we mean by equality? We mean that equality which the Almighty established at creation and which is recognized all through his word from the first statement, "Male and female created he them and gave them dominion, etc." down to the declaration of the gospel that "There is neither male nor female but all are one in Christ Jesus."

Some Great Women.

It is hardly worth while to notice the slurs cast upon those women who have been brave enough and large-minded enough to ask for the ballot. Among the women whom I have known and loved, women whom not only I, but all the world revers, have been Lucy Stone, one of the most faithful and devoted of wives and mothers whose life was given for the securing of better protection for women and children, and whose dying injunction was "Help make the world better"; Mary A. Livermore, that great heart who endured so much hardship in days of the civil war and the establishment of the sanitary commission, as loving mother and the idol of her husband; Frances E. Willard, who made every home better and safer by her influence, and who did more than any woman who ever lived to help women to realize the power and possibilities of their womanhood. These great ones and many more in humbler walks of life have asked and are asking for the ballot. It is true that the woman who has not awakened to her responsibilities as a woman—God pity her—is content to be an echo instead of an individual and may not ask for the ballot, the most effective means of helping in all philanthropic and progressive work, but that is no reason why her more intelligent, broad-minded sister should refuse to assume her true place in all the affairs of home, society, and the government; and occupy the highest sphere of which she is capable of.

Woman suffrage has not been the cause of the social conditions that have been detrimental to society because woman suffrage has not been in operation in many states and only for a few years in any state, excepting Wyoming.

Sacrificed Home.

The cause of the present social and financial conditions can truthfully be laid at the door of those who have usurped the power of government and greedily seeking wealth and power and honor for themselves have sacrificed home and its interests in many instances to Demas, Bacchus, and all the other gods of this world.

Drunkenness and poverty and crime have driven our girls out of their homes and into competition with men; 6,000,000 girls with homes! They ought to have them and dwell therein exercising all the right of happy citizenship but poor misguided man has been licensing the sale of alcohol to tantalize his fellowman—and provided tobacco and other narcotics to stultify his growth and stultify him until he has degenerated, and no longer seeks to provide a home and enjoy the society of wife and children.

A Jab at the Smokers.

Such men prefer to form themselves into lazy armies and stand along the Burnsides of the world puffing their filthy cigars and pipes. All honor to the girls who prefer to battle with life single handed rather than become the wives of such as these.

We do not believe that it is either the will of the Almighty, nor the desire of equal suffragists, that women should usurp man's domain, but as men have largely failed to be the providers and protectors of the home, women have been obliged to enter all fields of labor that they may secure their livelihood and must have the power to safeguard their interests.

Women should not be obliged to go into the cornfield, and the army, or on a battleship, in order to earn the right to vote. Woman's ballot has been and ever will be the most refining influence that can be brought into the state. As God made the family and placed both sexes in the home so in governmental affairs both sexes should be represented and supplement each other's efforts in the building up of the larger home—the state.

The assertion that "the ballot that is not backed by fighting force is no vote at all—a law with no police force is a mockery" comes with bad grace from an exponent of the teachings of the Prince of Peace.

There are more ways than one to enforce an opinion. The way of the sword is not always the most satisfactory. The best government does not imply force. We are not living under the Mosaic but under the gospel dispensation. "Peace on earth good will to men," has been ringing down the ages and shall influence more and more the minds and hearts of humanity. No longer is it "An eye for an eye or a tooth for a tooth," but "the love of Christ constraineth us."

To argue that no woman, and logically that no man, should be permitted to vote unless he has the power by fist or pistol, or sword, to enforce his ballot is to disfranchise an army of the best and wisest of our men. The ballot is not a bullet. It is more powerful, more potent, more helpful, more operative. It does not kill, but gives life to its user and enables him to do mighty deeds and help noble causes.

To speak of compelling women to vote is misleading. If every woman but one refused to vote the right of that one remains. Are men compelled to vote? Only a small proportion go to the polls. Those that do vote should not be deprived of their privilege because of the ignorance or indifference of the many. Under the present conditions it is not possible to say what the real views of women are on this question. Women have been suppressed and repressed and ridiculed if they expressed a wish to assist in the affairs of government for so long that it will take time to educate them to a comprehension of the possibilities of citizenship. Men have had the privilege of the ballot for generations, yet have failed to appreciate its importance.

What Clubwomen Could Do.

It would not be such a calamity as has been represented if politics should be controlled somewhat by clubwomen, seeing that membership is made up of the best and ablest women of our country. These women are "the quiet unassuming queens of the home" and we are sure that morality and righteousness would be increased by their influence.

The women who neglect their homes and children are of another class. They are of the class our opponent admires, who have no desire to consider their responsibilities as citizens. They prefer bridge and the theatre and the ballroom. Their time is wholly taken up with the affairs of "society." They toil not neither do they spin, and are not to be troubled about the affairs of those that do. Yet we have faith in the educational power of the ballot and would not imply that women of any class would not bring improvement in governmental affairs.

The best testimony that can be had as to the effect of woman suffrage in Wyoming, Colorado and the other suffrage states is to the effect that government affairs have been greatly improved by them. But granted that proof could be adduced that the moral conditions in some of the newer states were not up to those of Oregon, is that any argument against equal suffrage? Have men in the moral (?) state of Oregon closed all the gambling dens, saloons, brothels and sundry other places? Shame on them that with their experience and opportunity they have had to reveal to the world a terrible record of moral and financial rottenness.

The advocates of woman suffrage do not claim that they could reform their brothers, either in or out of the pulpit, and straighten out the tangle of iniquity in Oregon in a given number of days or years. What we ask is the opprotunity to do what we can for the promotion of the highest interests of the home and state and nation.

History proves that women in places of power have been great blessings. Deborah in Israel, Elizabeth and Victoria of England, Catharine of Russia and many others refute the sweeping statement that "the darkest pages of the world's history have been written with the names of women who have sought to dictate political policies."

The dear father of us all made no mistake when he gave dominion over all things to the first pair of citizens. Eden will be restored when together they shall exercise dominion. I will not attempt to discuss all of the unsupportable, imaginary, foolish objections found in those 15 "reasons." They are not worth the paper they were written on, nor any effort on my part to refute. Fifteen more such "reasons" ought to bring victory for equality before the law in June.

MARIA L. T. HIDDEN.

Monument Dedicated.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Springfield, Ill., May 30.—A handsome monument erected to the memory of the late Governor John R. Tanner, who died May 28, 1901, was dedicated today with interesting exercises. I. N. Phillips of Bloomington presided over the exercises and Bishop Osborne delivered the invocation. The speakers included Judge J. Otis Humphrey of Springfield, George W. Hinman of Chicago, Patrick H. O'Donnell of Chicago and W. D. Ryan, secretary of the United Mine Workers of America.

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The United States Bureau of Fisheries are the greatest expert authorities on the subject, and have **NO AX TO GRIND.** Read what they say:

Department of Commerce and Labor

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY, WASHINGTON, D. C.

Hon. Charles W. Fulton,
United States Senate,
Washington, D. C.

Sir: The Department realizes the importance of the various questions affecting the salmon fishery in the Columbia River brought up in your letter of the 18th ultimo, and has taken this opportunity to make a thorough investigation of the matter. There can be no question that the status of the fishery is unsatisfactory, and that under existing conditions the trend may be expected to be steadily downward, with the result that in a comparatively few years the run of salmon in that stream will be reduced to such a degree that thousands of fishermen may be thrown out of employment and much capital rendered idle. The Federal Government is without any jurisdiction whatsoever in the premises, and the duty of conserving the salmon supply in the Columbia devolves on the States of Oregon, Washington, and Idaho; but this Department has been charged by Congress with important fish-cultural operations in the Columbia basin, and has felt impelled from time to time to direct attention to the necessity for giving adequate protection to the various species of salmon frequenting that stream. The Department is convinced that the run of salmon in the Columbia can be amply maintained for an indefinite period if artificial propagation is supplemented by rational protection; but artificial propagation alone cannot cope with the situation, and, as a matter of fact, the recent experience of the Department has shown that its beneficent labors are rendered almost futile by the failure of the states to appreciate this fact.

The Department sees no reason for advocating the elimination of fish wheels from the river, as there is no evidence to show that this form of apparatus is particularly destructive to salmon.

A condition that is specially favorable for the passage of salmon—namely, very high water—renders the wheels unserviceable and, on the other hand, periods of very low water, when the fish are much restricted in their movements, are also unfavorable for the wheels. During the past two or three seasons the catch of salmon by wheels has been comparatively small; but even if it were very large it would be a fact of no special significance in the present connection.

The Columbia River is, however, made to yield a quantity of salmon far greater than regard for the future supply permits, and the drain is yearly becoming more serious. **No one familiar with the situation can fail to appreciate the menace to the perpetuity of the industry that is furnished by the concentration of a tremendous amount of fixed and floating apparatus of capture in and near the mouth of the river.**

This apparatus comprises about 400 pound nets or traps, over 80 long-sweep seines, and more than 2,200 gill nets, the last having an aggregate approximate length of over 570 miles; and these appliances capture more than 95 per cent of the fish taken in the Oregon and Washington waters of the river—the figures of 1904 being nearly 34,000,000 pounds, or 98.7 per cent of the total yield. Under such conditions, it is self-evident that but comparatively few fish are permitted to reach the upper waters where the spawning grounds are located.

The details of the measures necessary to place the salmon industry of the Columbia River on a permanent basis can not be elaborated by the Department at this time, but in general it may be said that there should be (1) a restriction on the amount of apparatus employed in a given section; (2) an adequate weekly close season covering possibly two days at first but reduced later if the circumstances warrant it; (3) an annual close season, preferably at the beginning of the salmon run, and (4) joint arrangements between the States, so that protective measures may be harmonious.

Respectfully yours, (Signed) OSCAR S. STRAUS,
Secretary.

BILL NO. 318 EMBODIES GOVERNMENT RECOMMENDATIONS AND SHOULD PASS. IT IS A SQUARE DEAL FOR ALL

VOTE 318—X—YES

Bill No. 333 was framed to foster the selfish interest of a single locality. It is against the Government recommendations and will mean a heavy tax on the State to carry out its provisions. **It favors monopoly and is unfair. It should not pass.**

VOTE 333—X—NO

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THE PLAY

By J. F. S.

In the delightful restfulness of a vastly correct and proper performance at the Heilig last night there burst the radiance of the most vastly incorrect and improper thing imaginable—a beautiful woman. They must be improper and incorrect, or Billie Burke would be the rule and not the exception. Positively she is an achievement—the event of a lifetime.

Now usually John Drew and a John Drew comedy are as soothing as a visit to the manicurists. You feel that you are cooped away for the time from every besetting care. You are looking at proper clothes, you hear carefully spoken sentences, watch bows and scrapes and manners that are guaranteed to be the very acme of propriety. No soul rasping blunders intrude themselves to make you wonder if it is possible that your own carefully instilled sense of what's correct can have been a misguided one for all these years. John Drew has made his name and fortune for this, and of course he has it down to the point where we must all agree that he is a "thruly liligant gintleman."

Therefore the wave of ruffled dignity, astonishment and offended complacency that swept over the house last night when Billie Burke came into the center of things in "My Wife," can scarcely be described. It was as though a burst of sunshine had been let into a room carefully darkened and artificially illuminated for an afternoon function.

Miss Burke, perhaps you know, used to sing coon songs, do stunts in vaudeville and music halls, and all that sort of thing. Then Mr. Drew, with his almost uncanny eye for what would appeal to the people he is playing to picked her up, made her co-star with him and does the honors, of course, very graciously. It is lovely, but it must be a trifle disconcerting to think that the fair Billie has reached her point in popular favor in about a year. She can't act at all. She doesn't pretend to. She is just a very gorgeous creature, graceful and intelligent and sympathetic appearing. And as a beautiful woman she is wickedly unique.

As for the play—it's called "My Wife," and is an adaptation from the French. All the bad jokes and naughty, compromising situations have been gouged out and the holes still show. It's farcical and light and airy—I suppose that describes it—and the dialogues, if they ever were brilliant, were poorly translated, and the plot is of the kind that wants to be jigged along in 16-84 time in order to make it at all comprehensible. It's too bad the last act couldn't have been either given an injection of action or been amputated—the farce could have got about on three very well.

Much of the comedy is supplied by that funny person Ferdinand Gottschalk, who as "Digby" Gore is excruciatingly funny—his entrance into Switzerland gives the best five minutes of comedy in the show.

Dorothy Tennant of "College Widow" fame is distinctly deteriorating—frumpy and bourgeois. The rest are satisfactory. Which brings us down to that last and saving paragraph that we so delight to indulge in—that about the stage settings. It is so gratifying to be able to say that the stage settings were beautiful—they were, too. Eversleigh's bachelor apartments are quite charming—why don't real architects make more of that kind?

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