

This letter is being sent to ALL alumni. If you have already subscribed to the portrait fund, please disregard.

## Angell Memorial Portrait

Ann Arbor, Mich., Nov. 2, 1906.

Dear Friend:

The University of Michigan Union last spring raised a committee for the purpose of procuring for the University an adequate portrait of President Angell. This was done in accordance with a very general and long felt desire for a portrait which should be a great work of art and a worthy memorial of the man who for thirty-five years has guided the destinies of the University of Michigan. The committee at once set about raising the funds by subscriptions from the faculty, students and alumni, to defray the cost. When a considerable sum had been thus raised, the Michigan Union guaranteed the payment of the remainder of the cost, and after consultation with many persons of authority in matters relating to art, the commission for the portrait was finally given to Mr. William M. Chase, of New York, who, in the opinion of the committee and the great majority of those whom it consulted, is the greatest portrait painter in America. The portrait is to be presented to the University as a memorial to President Angell from the subscribers, and will be placed in a University Building, probably the General Library building.

President Angell sat for this portrait during the month of August and the work is now practically complete. It has already attracted the enthusiastic comment of artists and is to be exhibited, by permission, at the Rhode Island School of Design in Providence, and at the Autumn Exhibit of the National Academy of Design in New York.

The policy of the committee has been to ask for small subscriptions, in order that the tribute to President Angell and the gift to the University of Michigan might be the more significant by reason of the great number of friends of President Angell and the University who should thus contribute to it. The students and members of the faculty have already contributed generously, and subscription blanks have been put in the hands of the Secretaries of our various local alumni associations for the purpose of soliciting contributions from the alumni. As it has already become apparent however, that a large number of the alumni have not been informed of the project, we are sending out this personal letter in order to place before everyone the privilege of subscribing to this worthy enterprise. It is the plan of the committee to place the names of all subscribers to this fund upon a roll which shall be kept in the archives of the University. This it is believed will be a gratifying evidence to Doctor Angell of the number of his friends, as well as a matter of historic interest to the University.

The estimated cost of the portrait, frame and incidental expenses is \$4,000 and considerable portion of this amount yet remains unsubscribed; and we shall not ask the artist to forward the portrait to us until the fund is in hand. We therefore invite you to contribute to this memorial to President Angell and this gift to the University, by sending your check for such amount as you may care to subscribe, payable to the order of the Angell Portrait Fund. As above stated the plan has been to ask for small subscriptions, and we shall be glad to receive any amount—no matter how small—and we would suggest that you make your check for from one to five dollars.

If the fund is completed in time the committee plans to have a public presentation of the portrait to the University on Saturday afternoon of December 8th, on which occasion we shall plan to have addresses and music worthy of the occasion, and you are cordially invited to be present on that occasion.

It will greatly aid the work of this committee if you will make a prompt reply to this letter.

ANGELL PORTRAIT COMMITTEE,

Henry M. Bates, Chairman.

Wilfred B. Shaw, Secretary.

N. B.—Please address all communications regarding the matter, to

MR. HENRY M. BATES,

Chairman Angell Portrait Committee,

Ann Arbor, Michigan.

In order that your signature as one of the donors may be preserved, in remitting be sure and enclose the following slip, which is all that will be necessary.

OFFICE OF  
C. H. HUBBARD,  
HICKMAN, KY.

Hickman, Ky., Nov 1 1906

Dear Miss Clay

Your ever welcome favor  
received several days ago  
Mama was quite ill is better  
to day & I seize the first  
opportunity write you

I wrote to Mrs Shepard  
& sent our dues We have  
only 5 members have met  
4 times & then in a sick  
room Hope you will  
have a good convention  
How much I would  
like to be there, it cannot  
be, so I try to be content  
reaching out my hands  
to help pecuniarily

I get so impatient some times  
justice & right seem to move so  
slow

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In regard to the Arlington  
E.R.A. I hardly know what  
to say My Brother died in  
March & his wife was  
the leading spirit in the  
work She is filling his  
place in the Post office  
which is the main support  
for her & three children it  
keeps her closely confined  
giving her no time for  
out side work. I believe  
I would write to her  
May god help & bless  
you & your work

S M Hubbard

Nov. 1906

My dear Miss Clay:-

Under another cover I am sending you two of the Susan B. Anthony books, two of the S.B.A. booklets and the clippings from the Rochester papers at the time of her death and funeral. Also, 100 copies of the leaflet by Miss Knowles and a few of the Club Programs. Of the latter we are rather short, so only sent a half dozen of each. The books are 25 cents each and the leaflets 15 cents a hundred.

I am not able to give you any information as to the price of the different styles of badges. We have but two or three in the office and so far as I know a price has never been decided upon. At any rate we haven't any to sell.

The weather tonight reminds me of the week you were here. We have had such beautiful days since it does seem to ~~bad~~ we couldn't have had a few at that time.

This morning 42 Progress subscriptions came in from Pennsylvania, I am sure ~~we~~<sup>now</sup> have over 1000 twenty five cent subscriptions.

Hastily, but lovingly yours,

Laura B. Ray

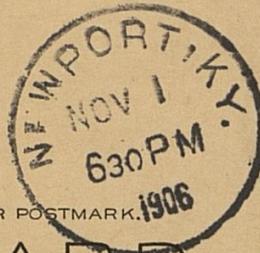
Miss Clay

Newport Nov. 1st. 1906

Dear Miss Clay:-

As I have heard nothing from you since seeing you in C. I. I am writing to know if you can tell me anything more about the convention. I suppose the delegates will be entertained and that the dates you gave us are settled. I think Newport will be well represented. Please let me hear from you.

Sincerely,  
Emma M. Boebuck.



THE SPACE ABOVE IS RESERVED FOR POSTMARK. 1906

# POSTAL CARD.

THE SPACE BELOW IS FOR THE ADDRESS ONLY.

Miss Laura Gray,  
191 N. Mill St.  
Lexington, Ky.

181 N. Mill St., Lexington, Ky.

Nov. 2nd, 1906.

My dear Mrs. Roebuck,

I have heard from the ladies of Ashland, and the dates for the convention, Nov. 21st and 22nd, are satisfactory. They will entertain the delegates and expect them to arrive on the 20th, so as to be ready for the convention next morning. We shall not have .P.R. rates, because we shall not have fifty delegates.

I am glad you will have a good delegation from Newport. As soon as you know who are going, write to Mrs. A. M. Glenn, Ashland, the names and the day they will arrive and the train, if possible. I would also like to know, if you have time to write, as it will assist me some in making out my committees. The Ashland ladies want the programs printed elsewhere, and I think I had better have it done in Lexington, as I wish to put in the program mention of all the subjects endorse by the National, such as Peace and Arbitration, Industrial Conditions of Women and Children, etc. I have not had time yet to prepare the program, but will submit it to the Ex. Committee as soon as possible.

(When I was in Richmond they talked of a plan for increasing membership which struck me so favorably that I pass it on to you.) They will call a meeting to prepare for the convention, at which every member will be requested to ask an acquaintance to join and to collect the dues of those who do so. A week later another meeting will be called to report progress. In the meanwhile the officers will call on the members who did not attend the first meeting, collect their dues, and request them also to get a new member. They will put the success of this plan in their report for the instruction of the convention. I wish you would try this

report how it works.

To whom did you address your letters in Louisville? I wrote to Mrs/ Bradbury, and she writes she has heard nothing of the Louisville W.R.A for a year. I learn that Miss Miller is no longer there. I have now written to Miss Margaret Merker, but have not had time for a reply. Is Mrs. Weaver now president, and if so what are her initials and address?

Did you see the good suffrage resolution passed by the state Grange at its convention in Lexington? I will bring it to the convention.

I have received a letter from Mrs. Shepard, in which she says she has made up her mind not to stand for re-election for treasurer;- that she has contemplated this action for two years, as she feels she is absent from home too often to discharge its duties with her other cares;- that she would have declined a re-election last year, except she did not wish to do it in my absence. I saw her decision was final, so I wrote her how much I valued all she had done for so many years for the Association; and that I thought she had now a right to consider the demands made upon her time by other philanthropies, to which I knew she gave much of her labor. Now we will have the duty of electing her successor; and as under our plan the treasurer is about the most important officer, it causes me much solicitude. Mrs. Shepard and I wish you to take that place. My only objection is that we would have to give you up as recording secretary, which office you have filled better than any one we have had. But the office of treasurer is more important, so I hope you will consent to the change. I tried to see Mrs. Roark when I was in Richmond; but she had gone to see her son, who was sick in Cincinnati. I think she is our very best choice for Corresponding Secretary; and though we cannot afford to pay even a small salary, now that we are to employ a state organizer or field secretary, yet as the field secretary will hereafter perform all the heavier part of the work which made Mrs. Roark so valuable to us, I believe she

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will cheerfully do the routine work without salary, as the rest of the officers do; and will also give us the benefit of her ideas, if she has not to perform the labor of carrying them into effect. I always considered her idea of the Woman's Council worth the salary we paid her; and she had a great deal of work in preparing the program and getting the speakers, which only a person situated as she was would have had a knowledge of the literary people of the state to secure. Probably as you were never at one of the Councils you did not fully know how much thought was necessary to make them the success they were.

If she will accept, therefore, we have that office well filled. But where shall we turn to get another Recording Secretary? You see, I am depending upon your allowing us to make you treasurer.

I have discussed our proposed changes in constitution to friends, as I have had opportunity; and so far they have all been pleased with them. It will be the principal business of the convention; for the securing of a suitable person for a small salary for the field secretary will be a no easy matter. Nevertheless, it must be done. I realize more and more all the time that there is work enough to keep a woman busy right here in Kentucky.

Let me hear from when you can, with suggestions about the program and the constitution.

Always cordially yours,

Newport, Nov. 4. 1906

My dear Miss Blay:-

Your letter came yesterday morning. We have had two meetings recently to arrange for delegates and the payments of dues. We have another meeting on Friday of this week and I shall endeavour to try the Richmond plan. We have now 71 names but the dues are coming in slowly. So far ~~five~~ I can count on five delegates, but I think there will be more, as we expect the meeting this week to be the largest.

I shall write to Mrs. Glenn at  
once.

I wrote to Miss Annie Miller at  
Louisville last year. She sent dues  
for 16 members but sent no  
report and <sup>no</sup> list of officer's names.

I do not know of <sup>Mrs.</sup> Weaver at all.  
My first letter to Louisville last  
year was to Mrs. John H. White  
but in reply she said she had  
moved to Manchester, Ky.

I did not see the resolution of  
the state Grange, but saw in  
the papers that they were very  
enthusiastic in Woman's suffrage.

I am very very sorry that Mrs.  
Shepard will not continue as  
Treasurer. Don't you think she

could be persuaded to stay? She  
knows the work so well and  
really it is not so much work.  
Of course, if she positively  
refuses, I will accept the office  
as you suggest, but shall hate  
to give up my own work. I  
don't like to see any of the old  
officers giving up. What do  
you think of Mrs. Agnes L. Efort  
of Ashland, for recording secretary?  
She was here, last year, at the  
convention and I liked her very  
much. She is bright and seems  
capable. I think she would make  
a good secretary if she could  
be persuaded to take it. Then, don't

you think it well to have the officers from different parts of the state? I am very glad Mrs. Roark is back and I do hope she will be the next Corresponding Secretary. I like the plan of having a field secretary or state organizer, but where is the money to come from. I have been thinking of this a great deal. Saving the corresponding secretary's salary will only be \$60.00 a year. How would it do to spend just about half the money out press<sup>work</sup> that we spend now. Our press work costs now \$110.00+. According to Mrs. Oberkain's last

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report she has 90 papers that she sends articles to, twice a month and she admits that they do not publish half of the articles sent. Now if she were to send them just once a month, it would be just half the work and half the postage and stationery. And ~~do~~ think that a field secretary or state organizer would increase our numbers much more than the press work. I offer this only as a suggestion and don't know that it would meet with the approval of yourself or the other officers. I do not mean to under-rate

the necessity or the good of  
the press book, but thought it  
might do <sup>to</sup> lessen the press work, (for the present,  
in order to ~~to~~ allow more  
money for the field secretary.

Hoping to hear from you soon  
again, I am

Sincerely,

Emma M. Roebuck.

181 N. Mill St., Lexington, Ky.

Nov. 5th, 1906.

My dear Mrs. McConnell,

We are to have the annual convention of the Ky. E. R. Association in Ashland the 21st and 22nd of November; and we are hoping to have this one of the most successful conventions of our history, in point of number of members and local associations reported. I have heard through Mrs. Hubbard of your recent bereavement by the death of your husband; and I know that work outside of that demanded by your own family cares must be particularly burdensome at this time. Yet I know that you are interested heartily in the cause of women in general and that you know it will be best assisted by gaining for them the political rights which are the protection of all other rights. Therefore I am writing to ask you to bring again the little Arlington E. R. A. into the list of active organizations, by collecting the dues of the present members, and by sending a report to be read at the coming convention.

Probably there are few of the former members now remaining; but it is encouraging to the whole state to know that they still remain faithfully interested. You know it is our rule never to collect back dues; so if any local falls out of line for a time from any cause, it can pick up its membership again by sending in the dues of the current year.

Some of our clubs are trying a plan for increasing membership which I would like very much for you to try, if you can find the time. It is to call a meeting to prepare for the convention. Then each member is requested to promise to ask an acquaintance to join and to collect the dues of any who may accept. Another meeting is called a week later to report

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the success of the effort. If you cannot call a meeting, you could modify the plan by requesting personally each present member to ask a friend to join and to report to you, so that you could incorporate the result in a little report to the convention.

I would be very grateful for any effort you may be able to make to bring back our faithful little Arlington F.R.A. into the list of our live locals once more. Please write to me to let me know what you think you can do. The next year we are planning to have a systematic plan for doing better and more work and organizing in our state . . .

Please accept my sympathy for your recent sorrow, and believe me

Very sincerely yours,

181 N. Mill Street? Lexington, Ky.

Nov. 5th, 1906.

My dear Miss Averill, <sup>Frankfort</sup>

I suppose ere this your E.R.A. has heard from the state treasurer, Mrs. I. H. Shepard, 31st E. 12th St., Covington, asking for the dues of 1906. I will add that the state convention is to be held in Ashland the 21st and 22nd of November. The Ashland E.R.A. will entertain the delegates, whom are expected to arrive the 20th, so as to be ready for the convention next morning. We shall not have R.R. rates, as we shall not have fifty delegates. Rev. Anna H. Shaw will be the speaker for both evenings and we hope to have interesting and instructive day programs. Now we must all try to report a good membership and to make this one of the most successful conventions in our history. Some of the Associations have adopted a plan for increasing membership which I think so good that I pass it to you. It is this; - a meeting is called for business preparatory for the convention; every member present is requested to promise to ask a friend to join, and to collect the dues of that friend. Then another meeting is called a week later, at which report is made of the success of the method. Between the two meetings the officers call on the members who were absent, collect their dues, and request them also to ask a friend to join. You observe no one promises to obtain a new member, - only to ask some one to join. I have observed, however, that many persons wait to be invited; and if it is explained that the policy of the Ky. E.R.A. does not demand that members shall attend meetings and do other club work, I am confident that many sympathizers will be willing to "stand up and be counted" on our side and to give the assistance of the annual dues, who now hold aloof. So

few comparatively understand the importance of the "argument of numbers" in the final success of our cause that they are liable to underestimate the value of their authenticated belief in our principles. But when it is pointed out to them, I am sure there are already multitudes of converts who would be willing to join our organization. Therefore a simple invitation, with an explanation of the two moderate requirements of membership, is an effective means of increasing membership.

I know your little E.R.A. has been seriously weakened by losses both by death and removals; yet I feel that there is an abundance of good material left for a basis of organization, and I trust they will do what they can to add to the membership and to report, so as to encourage others at the convention. I wish you would let me hear on the receipt of this; and please remember that a written report of a few lines is expected from every local, giving the names and addresses of officers, the number of members, new members, meetings held, and any other point of interest. I would be glad, also, to have a complete list of all members, with the post-office addresses, as I intend to make a complete directory of all the members in the state.

Hoping you may be at the convention and that I may hear from you promptly, I am

Very cordially yours,

181 N. Mill Street, Lexington, Ky.

Nov. 5th, 1906.

My dear Mrs. Hennen,

I was thinking of writing to you about our E.R.A. state convention when I received through the mail a pleasant reminder that you had not forgotten me,- the announcement of your daughter's marriage. Please accept my congratulations. We equal suffragists believe in matrimony just as others do; and I believe the best guarantee for married happiness is an appreciation by each partner of the equal rights of the other. The young couple have my best wishes for their prosperity and happiness.

Now to the E.R.A. business. Perhaps you have heard from the state treasurer, Mrs. I. H. Shepard, 31st E. 12th St., Covington, asking for the dues of 1906. I will add that the convention is to be in Ashland Nov. 21st and 22nd that the Ashland E.R.A. will entertain the delegates and expect them to arrive on the 20th, so as to be ready for the convention next morning. We shall not have P.R. rates, as we shall not have fifty delegates. Rev. Anna H. Shaw will speak both evenings, and we hope to have interesting and instructive day programs. Now we must all try to have a good membership and make this one of the most successful conventions in our history. Some of the Associations have adopted a plan for increasing the membership which I think is so good that I pass it on to you. It is this: A meeting is called to transact the business preparatory to the convention. At this meeting member present is requested to ask a friend to join, and to collect the dues. Then another meeting is called a week later at which the new members

are reported. I know your little club of three are not in the habit of holding meetings; yet I believe you would succeed in obtaining some new members if you would undertake simply to invite a number of your friends to "stand up and be counted" on the side of Equal Rights by giving their names and paying the annual dues. When it is explained how much the success of our cause depends upon the authenticated expression in its favor of a large number of the people, men and women, and that to give this expression it is not necessary to attend meetings and do other club work, I am sure many who now hold aloof will be glad to do what the Ky. E. R. A. holds to be important co-operation.

I wish very much that you could be present at the convention, and I shall hope to see you there. Please remember that a report is expected of a few lines, telling the number of members, officers, new members, literature distributed, and any other point of interest. If you try the plan of simply asking for new members please report on it for the instruction of the convention.

Hoping to hear from you promptly, I am

Very cordially yours,

181 N. Mill St., Lexington, Ky.

Nov. 5th, 1906.

Mrs. John W. Lockett,

Henderson, Ky.

Dear Mrs. Lockett,

No doubt you have received a letter from Mrs. I. H. Shepard, 31 E. 12th st., Covington, the treasurer of the Ky. E. R. A., announcing the annual convention of the Ky. Equal Rights Association to be held at Ashland the 21st and 22nd of November, and asking for the state dues. I am writing to add some particulars, and to request that you will do what you can to make this one of the most successful conventions in our history. The Ashland E. R. A. will entertain the delegates, and expect them to arrive on the 20th, so as to be ready for the convention the next morning. We shall not have R. R. rates, as we shall not have fifty delegates. Rev. Anna H. Shaw will be the speaker both evenings; and we hope to have interesting and instructive day programs. To add to the success of the year we earnestly desire an fully paid-up membership, with additional members from every local and committee possible. I am aware that your committee of four is not in the habit of holding meetings; yet I think a plan for increasing membership adopted by some of our locals can be readily can be easily modified to effect the same object by your Committee. The plan is to have a meeting called to attend to the preparatory business for the convention. Each member present will be requested to promise to ask an acquaintance to join. Another meeting will be called a week later to report on the success of the method. Though this plan is so simple, we expect good results from it, for there are many sympathizers who need an

invitation before they will join an organization. There are also comparatively few who realize how much the "argument of numbers" is needed for the success of our cause. When it is pointed out to them that it is the policy of the Ky.E.R.A. to ask their support, not by attending meetings and doing other club work, but by complying with the two requirements of giving the name and paying the annual dues, I am confident that many will help the cause by "standing up and being counted" who now hold aloof. I write therefore particularly to request earnestly that you will not only collect the dues of the four present members, but that you and they will make the experiment of asking a number of friends to join, collect their dues, and report for the encouragement of the convention.

Your Committee is entitled to representation at the convention on the basis of one delegate at large, and one additional for each ten paid-up members. It would be a great satisfaction if Henderson could be represented by delegates. Would it be possible for you to attend?

In any case, I hope you will send the dues for 1906, that you will try the method I have described, and that you will send a few lines for a report of the year, giving the names of the members, and any other information that will show the interest of your community.

Hoping that I may see you at the convention, and that I may have a prompt reply to this letter, I am

Very truly yours,

PS. Have you seen the suffrage article in the North American Review of Sept. 21st, and its editorial endorsement of equal suffrage in the number of Oct. 5th? You will find both very interesting.

Bowling Green Ky.

Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> 1906.

My Dear Miss Clay.

I cannot,  
cannot come to the  
convention, and my advice  
to the E. R. A. is to elect  
a Supt. who has the time  
and the money to do the  
things that she ought to  
do. I am not that woman.  
All I can do is the work, and  
that is not well done. If  
I can find time, strength  
and eye sight to write the  
report, I shall do well.  
This house was "sold over my  
head" a month ago and I  
have been living in chaos  
ever since. I tie up things  
generally as soon as it was  
sold and prepared for a move.  
We could not get a suitable  
house anywhere in this

part of town, and I was in  
despair. Then the two men  
who had bought the house  
conferred with each other  
and said we could stay  
but they wanted to raise  
the rent to \$300 instead  
of \$200 which we have  
been paying. We could  
not pay this, and again  
we went house hunting.  
After weeks of bargaining and  
arguing we compromised  
on \$250 a year. All this  
time the floors were bare  
as I had taken the matting  
up preparatory to moving, the  
pictures were down, the books  
ready for packing. Now I am  
trying to get the full cleaning  
done and put the house in  
thorough order for the winter

campaign. We are having  
floors painted, carpenter  
work done all over the house,  
we are eating in the kitchen  
the dining-room furnished  
is all over the house, I have  
no servant but a negro boy  
who goes to school, I can't  
get extra help for the extra  
work there is to be done. If  
I do it myself, I break down  
and if I don't do it, winter  
will be upon us before the  
house is in order -  
Isn't this enough to excuse  
me? If it isn't, there is  
plenty more. I am having  
some tedious dentistry done, I  
seldom get a night's sleep  
and I am nervous and worn  
out with domestic work and  
worry. A journey and a con-  
vulsion would be the death

of me. Please don't ask me.

I have much to say about the  
press work but no time to say it  
as I am due at the dentist in  
an hour.

Did you see that article on  
Woman's Influence in the  
Courier Journal? I replied &  
it correcting the mis-statements

I but the editor would not publish  
my reply. The editorial was  
copied in the Hartford Herald  
& I sent a reply there & also  
wrote an article for the

Journal of the Grange  
saying how Herald on the same  
subject. Thanks for the Herald  
you sent. I sent the Grange  
resolution to Mrs Upton. Also

did you see Dr Ramsay's sermon  
on "Woman to Redeem America  
from Social Barbarism?" I wrote  
to him and sent him a letter  
showing what the By. E. R. A had  
done to redeem this state from

Frankfort Ky.

Nov. 7<sup>th</sup> 1806.

My dear Miss Clay -  
If Mrs. Shep-  
hard has written  
I have not heard  
of it - However  
strange - but  
my own little  
society is reduced  
at present to two  
members - viz  
Frankfort now.

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not even enough  
for a Committee  
Meeting is it! -

Well - you re-  
member that the  
main object was  
to stand by you  
whenever you do  
come to Frankfurt  
This we are ready  
to do - in our  
usual way -

With sincere regards  
I am most cordially  
Rebecca G. Merrill

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181 N. Mill St., Lexington, Ky.

Nov. 8th, 1906.

My dear Mrs. Roebuck,

I am very glad to be assured by your letter of Nov. 4th that we shall have a good treasurer in Mrs. Shepard's place. Yes, it is sad to have to give up an earnest officer, like Mrs. Shepard. I do not think, however, she will ever fail to help what she can unofficially, and therefore we shall not lose her as a worker. If she had not told me that she had considered resigning for two years I might have thought there would be some use in trying to make her reconsider. But as she was only waiting for my return to the state, her decision appears final. Since we have to change officers, I am glad to do so at this convention, as it is a nice parliamentary compliment to elect an officer from the club that entertains the convention; and we are going to a part of the state where we ought, as you say, to have a representative. I have no doubt that Mrs. Eifort would make an efficient Recording Secretary; though she is an officer in the county W.C.T.U., and probably may think that is all the public work she can do. Since you wrote, I have been thinking of Miss Laura R. White, who is the treasurer of the Ashland E.R.A., and the one woman who really holds it together. I believe you have never met her; but I have known her many years. She belongs to a family that is widely known in our mountain counties, where there is a great deal of sentiment in our favor, but where at present we have no organization. She is sister to ex-Congressman John D. White, the prohibitionist, who is a staunch woman suffragist. She is also sister-in-law to Mr. Hager, who has just received the nomona

tion for Governor on the Democratic ticket. Either of the women would make a good officer; but I think Miss White would throw herself more heartily into our work than anyone else in the state that I can think of at present. I am glad you are thinking of whom we should elect; for while I would not wish in any way to influence unduly the wishes of the convention I think the delegates are usually very glad of suggestions. I do not know at all that Miss White would accept; but I do know that she is a very earnest F.R. woman.

Now to the field secretary. Since I received your letter Mrs. Cramer, Mrs. Carpenter and I have had a consultation, principally about the field sec. and the revision of constitution. At present our ideas are about these: We now have, say 500 members, which bring in the state an income of \$125.00. We must keep the expenses of the organization, not counting the free-will offerings, strictly within those limits. Then we will employ a Kentucky woman, with the education of a schoolteacher, and with some ability to address a small meeting like a parlor meeting. She must have some faculty for organizing and raising money, for she must raise most of her own salary. We think thirty dollars a month and her expenses when travelling is the very most we can offer, and that we ought to get her for a trial month for less. We will guarantee ten or fifteen dollars of this salary, and the rest she must raise in the field by membership fees, of which she is to be allowed the whole of the state's part, that is 25 cents. If she makes more than the salary agreed upon it must be turned back to the state. We will soon find if she has any faculty for organizing and raising money? If she has not, we cannot employ her, for I do not see how we are to get the money, now that we have adopted such a strict rule not to ask for any thing but free-will offerings and the dues. I think that is even more essential than a field secretary. I mentioned our plan at our F.R.A. meeting last Friday, and the young man who was there reporting for the Herald offered the remark that he thought a reasonably successful young woman could

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raise her own salary. And I think she could and must raise the greater part of it. We can get free-will offerings enough to get a start of a month or two. The F.S. and the Ex.Com. together can lay out a route for a week or two, in the most favorable district, and see what our young woman can do. When she is not in the field she could be employed in laying out another route. I think the different Associations could assist by giving her board for a week or two at a time while she is arranging routes in the neighborhood of the city where the club is. For instance, I am sure members of the Lexington club would entertain her for some weeks for this purpose. The Richmond club likewise, and I hope those of Newport and Covington. Since we expect her to be entertained in the homes of our friends we must be careful for that reason and others to get a woman with pleasant manners and unexceptionable references. If we find this plan a success, we will keep her employed just as many months as possible. When the season is unfavorable for field work, she could be employed in office work, laying out routes, writing to the clubs, helping the Press work, getting out the quarterly Ky. Newsletter, and other useful work. I believe with a great exertion the first year we could keep her employed at least as long as the country school terms, and probably as long as the city school terms.

PRESS WORK. I note what you say about the money we are expending on press work, and I feel it a great help that you are seriously considering the ways and means. Certainly, we must reduce the postage of the press work to less than fifty dollars, for if we pay all the state dues, over the five hundred, to the field secretary, we shall not have fifty dollars to appropriate to press postage. But I do not think we can safely do without Mrs. Onchain. She is one of the ablest women any state has for press work. Bot

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Mrs. Babcock and Mrs. Upton, now that she has the National Press work in charge, tell me that Mrs. Obenchain helps more with the syndicate articles than any other state worker, except Miss Blackwell. Our field secretary is an experiment, and we know Mrs. Obenchain; so I think we must hold on to her, and I know she cannot give us any of her time without the salary we pay her. I enclose a letter just this moment received, to show how she is situated. Her husband's salary is small, and she must help out, which she does by magazine writing, as well as what she does for us. Her letter is in answer to one of mine, asking if she could come to the convention. Please return it at your convenience.

REVISION OF CONSTITUTION. Do you think it would be well to have our fiscal year coincide with that of the National, so as to give us as long a time as possible to send in our dues? At present, our constitution says the fiscal year closes one week before our annual convention. You know we never do get our books closed then. Did it not work well last year, when the auditing was done after the convention, in time for the printed minutes? I want your express opinion on this point, as it is in your line. If you like the change it seems to me very expedient.

Hon. John W. Langley, who carried the tenth Congressional district for the Republican ticket, is a good suffragist. He was in the legislature a number of years ago, and stood for our measures there and also for suffrage. While parties do not make much difference to us, it is good to know that suffrage sentiment does not hinder a politician from obtaining office.

I am glad you are going to send a good delegation to Ashland. I have written to the clubs, but have heard from none except Hickman, where <sup>our</sup> I got Mr. Hubbard says they have sent dues. She will not come to the convention I think.

Wishing you good luck in collecting your dues (I am at that job, to

I am

Very cordially yours.

181 N. Mill St., Lexington, Ky.

Nov. 8th, 1906.

Hon. Jno. W. Langley,

Mt. Sterling, Ky.

Dear Sir,

Allow me to congratulate you on the splendid victory in the tenth district. I have not visited any of the counties of your district since I received your letter of Sept. 21st, and had not an opportunity to express to any of my friends my wish that you should be elected; but I have followed with interest the newspaper reports of your success and I am truly glad that a gentleman who always advocated liberal legislation for women and believes in their equal political rights is to be one of the Con-

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honor to be  
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gressmen from our state.  
Wishing you great success in your future  
career, and trusting that women may always  
find in you a good friend for their politi-  
cal rights. I have the honor to be  
Very truly yours,

181 N. Mill St., Lexington, Ky.

Nov. 9th, 1906.

My dear Mrs. Shepard,

P.S. Mrs. A.M. Glenn is the person to whom to write  
in Ashland of the delegates who wish entertainment.

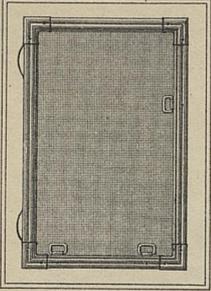
I promised to see about the ten dollars' pledge given by the Lexington delegates for the Fayette E.R.A. I spoke of it at the meeting last Friday, and it was the sense of the meeting that delegates should not pledge the Asso. beyond what they might be instructed to do. Therefore I thought it best not to ask to have that pledge paid out of the treasury, but to ask you to set down ten dollars of the twenty I have paid to Mrs. Obenchain as the pledge from the Fayette E.R.A. The other ten can be set down as a free-will offering from me. It will take some time to impress all our friends with the fact that members have only the money obligation to pay the annual dues, and that no sort of assessment is contemplated as an obligation. However, my experience in other societies is the same as in the E.R.A., that if we wish to have many members we must strictly limit the financial obligation of those who join. And as our object is numbers, we must be very careful not to step beyond the stated limit.

I have written to the Associations telling them that the Ashland E.R.A. will entertain the delegates and that they are expected to arrive the 20th and to be ready for the convention the next morning. I hope you are receiving dues. Mrs. Hubbard wrote that she had sent for five. I have not been able to hear anything from Louisville, and Frankfort reports there are but two members left, and Miss Averill does not say those two will pay dues! I hope to persuade them to do so.

Drop me a few lines to let me know how things are coming on.

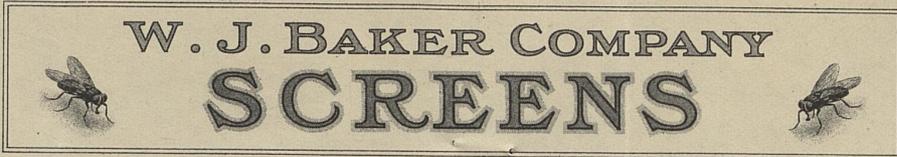
Always cordially yours,

SUPREME



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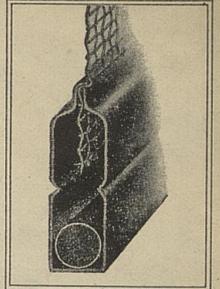


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FULL SIZE DETAIL



TELEPHONE

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Miss Laura Clay,  
Lexington, Ky.

Miss Clay:-

We propose to furnish for flat No. 1, located at  
2nd. & Mill Sts., as follows:  
14 window screens, galvanized, steel frames, black enameled.  
3 pine doors, 1 pine transom, using best quality copper,  
bronze, wire cloth, 14 mesh.

Put up complete for the sum of sixty dollars (\$60).

Proposition No. 2.

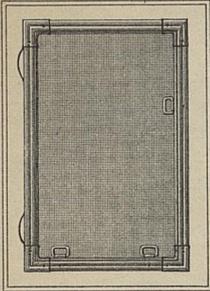
In this proposition we will furnish same as above, except  
changing copper cloth to best quality galvanized, steel,  
wire cloth, 14 mesh, painted black.

Put up complete for the sum of forty-five dollars (\$45).

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. BAKER CO.

SUPREME



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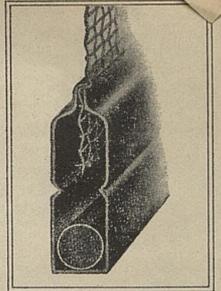


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We will furnish for flat No. 2.

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13 window screens, galvanized, steel frames, black enameled, 2 pine doors, 2 pine transoms, using best quality copper, bronze, wire cloth, 14 mesh.

Put up complete for the sum of fifty-seven dollars (\$57).

Proposition No. 2.

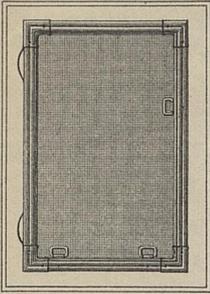
In this proposition we will furnish same as above, except, changing copper cloth to best quality galvanized, steel, wire cloth, 14 mesh, painted black.

Put up complete for the sum of forty-three dollars (\$43).

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. BAKER CO

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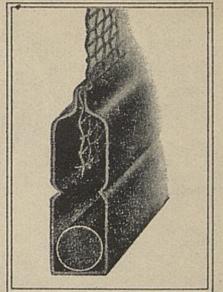


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FULL SIZE DETAIL



TELEPHONE

We will furnish for flat No. 3,

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10 window screens galvanized, steel frames, black  
enameled, 3 pine doors, using best quality copper,  
bronze, wire cloth, 14 mesh,

Put up complete, full screens sixty dollars (\$60),  
half screens forty-two dollars (\$42).

Proposition No.2.

In this proposition we will furnish same as above,  
except changing copper cloth to best quality galvanized,  
copper, wire cloth 14 mesh, painted black.

Put up complete full screens forty-five dollars (\$45)  
half screens thirty-three dollars (\$33).

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. BAKER CO.



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of your New Home  
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Plautus, Mercator, Act II, Sc. III

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November 10, 1906

My dear Miss Clay -

We will hold our state meeting Monday November 19th - I enclose to you a program - Will you not send to us a word of Greeting - As we can not have your presence this is the next best thing - We missed you so much from our National Convention - No doubt you have heard much concerning it - We are all very grateful to you for the grand work you did for us in Oregon - With kindest regards and best wishes for a very successful year for Kentucky -

I am

Very truly yours  
Emma Maddox Funck -  
State Pres.



The Wolcott.  
Thirty First Street  
and Fifth Avenue  
New York

November 16<sup>th</sup>

[1906-1909]

My dear Miss Clay;

Thank you  
very much for your  
cordial good wishes.

But I think it  
wise to give up my  
membership in the  
Equal Rights Association  
as there will doubtless  
be many clubs which  
I shall feel disposed  
to change to join in  
the time in which I

expect to reach my  
home. I shall  
however, always be  
proud of our very  
passive connection  
with the Society to  
which you are  
so necessary, and  
am in all sincerity

Cordially yours,  
G. J. Sturges

Newport Nov. 11. 1906

My dear Miss Clay:-

Your letter of the 5<sup>th</sup> received. I am rejoiced to hear that the Field secretary is at least a possibility. She will have to be a live energetic woman.

Are we to pay her traveling expenses or is she supposed to raise that?

When I spoke of the money spent for press work I did not mean to give up Mrs. Oberchain. I appreciate that she is a very able

woman and splendid press  
supt., but I thought her work  
might be reduced to half and  
consequently the expenses; at  
least, while we were trying the  
experiment of a Field Sec.

I certainly do think it well  
to have our fiscal year coincide  
with that of the National. We  
did it last year. The auditors  
were appointed at the convention  
and the books were audited the  
first week in January. I know  
it was much more satisfactory  
to Mrs. Shepard, as she could  
then begin the new year perfectly clear.

There will be five delegates and Miss Morgan and I go from here to the convention. I think we will go by boat as that will be cheaper.

I hope Miss White will accept the secretaryship as she can do much good going about as she does.

I hope you can read all of this letter. I have a severe cold and am extremely nervous. I can hardly sit still to write. I have been trying to collect dues and suppose I am overtired but will be all right in a few days.

Hoping to hear from you again

Yours sincerely

Esther M. Robuck.

I enclose Mrs. O. letter

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Our delegates are  
Mrs. Sarah Charles } Miss Morgan  
Mrs. Hannah Spring } Mrs. Rockwell  
" Mary Waring  
" Abue Thomas  
" Alice Bigler

Mrs. Spring and Mrs. Thomas would  
do well on committee, also Mrs  
Bigler. Mrs. Charles you know.