

aspirations if the human race is to be improved, and equal suffrage would tend to broaden their minds and increase their sense of personal responsibility, as the ballot is an educator, and women would become more practical and more wise in the using of it.

Therefore, for the good of the race, and the good of our own community, it behooves us to bring pressure to bear to get the Legislature to revise their Constitution and to put in a suffrage amendment giving women legal recognition as free adult citizens.

If we present the question before them in a right light, surely they will not hesitate to grant our just and righteous desire.

Thus our present legislators may share in the privilege of helping along the evolution of the race and the dawn of a higher and better civilization.

Alice M. Christie.

BAZAAR.

The Political Equality League have arranged to hold a bazaar in the Friends' Hall, 1333 Courtney Street, on the afternoon and evening of Thursday, November 21st. The Bazaar will be opened by Mrs. Roper at 3.30 o'clock. There will be a number of attractions, including the children's corner, with the generous goose, the bubbles, balloons and dolls, the tea room, where suffragette cake will be served, the news vendor, the fancy stall, the candy booth, all of which will be presided over by young ladies. It is expected and hoped that all interested will attend and will bring their friends.

MARRIED WOMEN'S LEGAL STATUS.

Until recently a wife in England could not testify against her husband, because they were one and he was the

one, and it would be the same as his testifying against himself. Then the Court of Criminal Appeal took a hand and declared that she not only might testify, but could be compelled to. The ball was then tossed into the House of Lords, which has just decided that she can do as she pleases. By the time the courts and the legislative bodies and the church and the newspapers get through with woman, will there be any woman left?

MARY LEIGH.

August 9th—September 20th.

They took a living soul away,
And shut it from the breath of day;
They bound the feet, they bound the
hands,
They fenced it round with iron bands;
Into the mouth they forced the bit,
Bridled, and bruised, and tortured it.

"Five years," they said, "here shall
you be,

O Soul, in your captivity;
Five years of weariness and pain
Before we let you out again."

Five years! And scarce five weeks are
run—

She looks on freedom and the sun.

"Basis of Government," Brute Force,
Has had its fling and run its course.
The utmost that it dared to do
Was done: flesh shrank till bones
showed through,

Yet still within that house of clay
The spirit lived and won its way.

She won because she had the will
To die—she whom they dared not kill!
Possession gave them their nine
points:

This tenth has pierced their harness-
joints.

They fought with backs against the
wall:

One poor weak body beat them all!

—Laurence Housman.