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## MORNING SESSION.

TORONTO, Oct. 22, 1878.

At the appointed time, 10 a.m., Mrs. Youmans took the chair, calling on Mrs. Judge Jones to lead devotional exercises. The weather was much more favorable than the previous day, and the attendance better than on Wednesday. One of the most pleasing features of the Convention was now introduced, viz: the reading of interesting and practical papers on different subjects for discussion. These papers prove the ability and spiritual life of our women, and we regret that want of time renders it impossible to give full discussion. They are as follows:—

## No. 1. WOMAN—HER INFLUENCE AND WORK—HOW BEST PROMOTED.

MRS. JEFFREY, TORONTO.

The work was defined when she was created a help-mate to man.

Her influence was seen in her first recorded act, whose far-reaching effects we all too sadly know.

The consequence of that act, the introduction of sin, was to lower woman from the proud position of equality where God had placed her, until she sank, in proportion as the nations wandered from God, to the level of a slave. History proves this fact in most Pagan and Mahommedan nations, whether ancient or modern.

"Hated and despised from her birth, her birth itself esteemed a calamity; in some countries not even allowed the rank of a moral and responsible agent; so tenderly alive to her own degradation, that she acquiesces in the murder of her female offspring; without education; married without her consent; in a multitude of instances sold by her parents; refused the confidence of her husband, and banished from his