

EQUAL SUFFRAGE CATECHISM.

The following catechism was issued by the Equal Suffrage Association of New York State. It is based on questions prepared by Lucy Stone:

Q. Under a representative form of government, such as ours, who should make the laws? A. The people.

Q. Do the people make the laws? A. No. Half the people are relieved (?) from making the laws.

Q. Who make the laws? A. Men.

Q. Who gave them the right to make the laws? A. Men.

Q. Do not the laws concern women? A. They certainly do.

Q. May not women take part in making the laws which they must obey? A. They may not. Men alone make the laws for women and men.

Q. If a woman transgress the law, who decide the penalty, try, convict and punish her? A. Men.

Q. Who sit on the juries before whom men and women are tried? A. Men only.

Q. Is this what the constitution means by "The judgment of his (or her) peers"? A. Manifestly not.

Q. May not mother's help make the laws that decide their legal relations to their children? A. No; men make the laws, and in only six states of the Union has the married mother the legal right to her children.

Q. Why is the law so one-sided? A. Because one sex alone has been making the laws.

Q. Who make the laws that decide the rights of husband and wife in case of separation? A. Men only.

Q. When a husband brutally assaults his wife, who make and enforce the laws that punish him? A. Men.

Q. Who make the laws concerning the property rights of husband and wife. A. Men.

Q. Who pay taxes? A. Men and women.

Q. Is the property of women taxed the same as that of men.
A. Higher as a rule.

Q. Who make the laws governing taxation? A. Men.