

vote? If it be just, then a little common-sense will tell you it is damnably expedient.

THE MAN IN THE STREET.

THE WOMAN'S MOVEMENT IN OTHER LANDS

Illinois Getting Into Line

The Illinois Senate has passed Senator Magill's Woman Suffrage Bill, without a constitutional amendment, giving women the right to vote in city, village and other local elections. It has a good chance of passing the house and becoming a law.

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Portugal

Libon, May 21.—Portugal probably will be the first Latin country to enfranchise its women, says National, the leading Republican organ, in an article to-day reviewing the various laws enacted for the benefit of women since the inauguration of the Republic three years ago.

Only a couple of years after the overturning of the monarchy the divorce laws, which heretofore had withheld from women the right to petition for dissolution of marriage in any circumstances whatever, were amended so that they now enjoy equal facilities in the courts with men.

A little later a law was passed similar to the new French law, holding the fathers of illegitimate children responsible for their support as well as for the support of the mothers. The marriage laws also were reformed, one phrase of especial significance being incorporated, that "conjugal society is based on the freedom and equality of both parties." The wife's freedom is safe-guarded in various ways. The husband may not take his wife to another country to live without her consent. Women may now publish their own manuscripts without the permission of their husbands, which was forbidden under the old regime, and either husband or wife may sue third persons

in the courts without each other's permission.

Women teachers who formerly were liable to dismissal upon marriage are not only continued in their positions but are granted one month's leave of absence with full pay before the birth of a child and two months' leave with full pay afterward.

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