A similar Resolution was also carried, never defeated, at many other Meetings organized by the Branches, at which Miss Davis did not speak, and was also carried invariably at New Westminster, Haney, Hammond, Central Park, Ashcroft, Kamloops, and five or six other places, organized by another Organizer.

## HOW THE MILITANTS EXPLAIN LETTER-BURNING

The Suffragists who have been burning and otherwise destroying letters have been doing this for a very plain and simple reason. They want to make the electors and the Government so uncomfortable that, in order to put an end to the nuisance, they will give Women the Vote.

These militant women are being warned that letter-burning is very unpopular. That is just what they want it to be, because they know that if the electors and the Government liked to have letters burnt, they would do no-

thing to stop it.

The quiet, patient methods of the law-abiding, non-militant Suffragists are very popular indeed (with those who happen to hear anything about them), and it is just because they are so popular that they are a failure; the Government and the electors being quite content that such pleasant, harmless methods shall continue for ever. The vote has never been given as a prize for good conduct. Women will never get the vote except by creating an intolerable situation for all the selfish and apathetic people who stand in their way.

It is true that in making a difficulty for the Government and for the men voters, the letter-burners may incidentally put other women to inconvenience, but at least those women will be suffering in their own interests and not only in the interests of other people, as is so often the case where sacrifices made by women are concerned. History teaches us that we must suffer to be free, and women, as men have done before them, are finding themselves obliged to pay this price for their liberty.

As for the men who are complaining of the actual or possible destruction of their letters, let them explain why they did not, long ago, force the Government to give Votes to Women. The men of the country and the dishonest and reactionary Government they have put in office must bear the whole blame and the whole responsibility for the attacks upon the letter-boxes, because, by rejecting every quiet and lawful appeal for the Vote, they have driven women to methods of revolution.—From "The Suffragette."

## TREASURER'S NOTE

It has been suggested that a monthly statement of moneys received for the carrying on of our work be published in "The Champion." We shall accordingly be very glad to receive and publish reports from local branches. A quarterly financial report of the Provincial Executive will also be rendered.

We think it a good idea to keep before our readers the need of funds to carry on our work successfully, and also to show that there are those in B. C. who are awake to the importance of immediate financial help and who respond right loyally.

E. BAER, Prov. Treas.

## The January-February Receipts of Victoria Branch:

Membership Fees—

Miss J. J. Murray	\$0.50
Miss L. Gillespie	50
Miss C. Angus	50
Mrs. L. Hardy	50
Capt. Longstaff	50
Miss Leggett	50
Mrs. Beilly	50

<sup>\*</sup> The Names of the Movers and Seconders of these Meetings are lost, in lost luggage.