

POLITICAL EQUALITY LEAGUE

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1. This Society adopts as the fundamental principle of its Constitution the establishment of the Political, Social and Industrial Rights of Women and Men.

It recognizes as indispensable the possession by Women of the Parliamentary Vote on the same terms as it is or as it may be granted to men.

It demands from the Government immediate legislation to secure this.

The further aim of the Society is to take active means to remedy existing evils and to bring to the knowledge of the public the inefficiency of some of the laws of British Columbia especially as they affect women and children.

2. The objects and aims of the Society as set forward above, need very little explanation. We intend to expose in every way possible to us, the dual standard existing for men and women, to demonstrate the evil resulting therefrom, and to force public recognition to the direct connection between this dual standard and the political disability of women.

We stand to emphasize the fact that causes of individual cases of injustice can only be satisfactorily and finally dealt with by legislation in which women have a direct share.

3. Regarding the enfranchisement of women as essential to the attainment of equality between the sexes, we are necessarily working primarily for Woman Suffrage, and the principal item on our programme is therefore the demand for a Government Measure giving the Parliamentary Vote to Women on the same terms as it is or may be given to men.

EDITOR'S NOTES

The following editorial appeared in the Colonist of February 26th:

"Only 30 per cent of the women of Chicago, entitled to vote, availed themselves of the privilege at the recent primary elections. Most of the women everywhere do not want to vote, and a great many of those who say they do, only think so."

Being quite sure the item was in some way a misrepresentation, we telegraphed at once to National Headquarters and received the following telegram:

"Thirty per cent registered men and 30 per cent registered women voted at Chicago primary. Party affiliation had to be declared and many women preferred not to be partisan. Many suf-