

she looked at the earth, and she looked at the sky, and she looked at him who stood by her; but he looked out across the desert.

And I saw her body quiver; and she pressed her front knees to the earth, and the veins stood out; and I cried, "She is going to rise!"

But only her sides heaved, and she lay still where she was.

But her head she held up; she did not lay it down again. And he beside me said, "She is very weak. See, her legs have been crushed under her so long."

And I saw the creature struggle; and the drops stood out on her.

And I said, "Surely he who stands beside her will help her?"

And he beside me answered, "He cannot help her; she must help herself. Let her struggle till she is strong."

And I cried, "At least he will not hinder her! See, he moves farther from her, and tightens the cord between them, and he drags her down."

And he answered, "He does not understand. When she moves she draws the band that binds them, and hurts him, and he moves farther from her. The day will come when he will understand, and will know what she is doing. Let her once stagger on to her knees. In that day he will stand close to her, and look into her eyes with sympathy."

And she stretched her neck, and the drops fell from her. And the creature rose an inch from the earth and sank back.

And I cried, "Oh, she is too weak! She cannot walk! The long years have taken all her strength from her. Can she never move?"

And he answered me, "See the light in her eyes!"

And slowly the creature staggered on to its knees.—From *Three Dreams In a Desert*.

"Do you believe in women holding office?"

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INCREASED BUSINESS

That the enfranchisement of women will increase the business of municipal engineers, contractors and the manufacturers of machinery and supplies seems to be the opinion expressed by "Engineering and Contracting." This conviction is based upon the fact that women will usually vote for public improvements, as they did in Highland Park, Ill., where they went 66 to 5 in favor of the \$24,000 bond issue which is to defray the cost for water works, sewerage and paving improvements. Women as housekeepers, especially in rural districts, suffer more than men from the lack of a system that will supply their homes with water, and are also interested in the question of sewerage. It would be like the various trades involved in improvements work to look upon the feminine ballot holder as an angel floating in a business aura, and so help her to enter the voting arena.

"My dear," said the professor's wife, "the hens have scratched up all that eggplant seed you sowed." "Ah! jealousy!" mused the professor. And he sat down and wrote a twenty-page article on "The Development of Envy In the Minds of Female Poultry."