

makers and dressmakers and nurses, but they are something more, they are citizens. Already women have attained citizenship in ten states of the Union and Alaska, and instead of disaster to the homes, it has brought happiness and prosperity.

Last month when the strikers' war in Colorado had culminated in dreadful loss of life and still greater loss was imminent; when the Colorado Government sat dazed and helpless; in the face of these appalling disasters the women of Denver, one thousand of them, marched to the capital and demanded that an appeal be sent to the President for Federal troops to put an end to the trouble. The Governor haughtily refused, but the thousand women had a thousand votes and so their words were words of power. They assured the Governor that five thousand women instead of one thousand would be on his door step in another twelve hours if he did not do as he was told, so the haughtiness of his manner disappeared. He did their bidding promptly and without delay. There were many technicalities in the way, but the women were conscious of only one thing, men were being shot down like dogs, women and children too, and they demanded that this should cease. The newspapers are loud in their praise of the women's interference. It may not have been regular, may not have happened according to parliamentary procedure, but it was effective. Only one journal raises its puny wail and asks who was minding these women's children while they were interviewing the Governor. People are slow to forgive women for believing that they have social as well as private duties.

But the dawn is breaking and the darkness flees away. Women who long have sat in their boudoirs like the Lady of Shallot, looking at life in a mirror, are now throwing the glass aside and coming down into the conflict. The awakened womanhood, the aroused motherhood is the New Citizenship.