

THE EQUAL SUFFRAGE LEAGUE OF MARYLAND

This column is contributed by the Press Committee of the Equal Suffrage League of Baltimore. All communications should be sent to the League headquarters, 107 Brown Arcade.

The work of the Equal Suffrage League has been progressing greatly since the last issue in this column. Many letters have been received from prominent people regarding the proposed debate between the suffragists and the antis on January 30th. While no very definite arrangements have been made regarding the champions for suffrage, several notable women have signified their readiness to come on that occasion.

A visit was paid by Dr. Raiguel to the Equal Suffrage League headquarters regarding further details of the debate. He reports growing interest in the debate all over the city.

The class for public speaking, which is to be held by the three leagues jointly under the direction of Prof. Dale H. Carnagey, is progressing well. Among those who will join from the Equal Suffrage League are: Mrs. Charles Heath, Miss Emma Weber, Miss C. Bansemer, Mrs. Bohannon, Mrs. S. J. Poe, Mrs. J. W. Lord, Miss Mary Claire O'Brien.

The class is still open to others who wish to join. The first lesson will be held on Wednesday, January 13, at 2.30 o'clock, but the place has not been definitely decided.

Christmas Sale Pleases Even the Antis.

Suffragists are much pleased with the progress of the Christmas sale which was held at 328 North Charles street during the past two weeks. Many people came to buy, even antis, and many flattering comments were made. The suffrage arguments in the windows attracted much attention, and in every sense this, our latest venture, has been "worth while." One prominent anti paid us the compliment of saying they (the antis) looked to us for wonderful things. We hope not to disappoint them.

LEAGUE TO SEND DELEGATION TO WASHINGTON

Prominent Baltimore Suffragists Will Be Present When Vote Is Taken on Bristow-Mondell Amendment.

Word has come from the National Congressional Committee notifying us that on Saturday, December 12, the Rules Committee of the House of Representatives voted a special rule to bring before the House for consideration, with six hours of debate, the Mondell resolution, which proposes a federal constitutional amendment providing that the right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged on account of sex. The amendment will come before the House for consideration on Tuesday, December 29.

As the special rule will undoubtedly be adopted this action of the Rules Committee assures us of a vote on the Mondell amendment itself, which, as you know, is the old Susan B. Anthony amendment never before advanced to a vote. This means the greatest possible test of strength of the suffrage cause and calls for the immediate activity on the part of every suffragist in the country.

Letters from the Equal Suffrage League have been sent to all the representatives and senators from Maryland urging their favorable vote on the question and desiring them to work up the measure among the other members. A large delegation of members from the league will go to Washington on December 29 to hear the debate.

INDIVIDUAL SUFFRAGE WORK

Decision as to the Contests Next Year in Four States.

In the campaign next year for votes for women in the States of Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey and Massachusetts the work will be carried on along individual lines, except for an interchange of speakers. This decision was reached at a conference on Friday at New York of suffrage workers from the four states. The delegates said they felt sure that the question of suffrage will be submitted to the people next year in each of the four campaign states.—Extract from the Springfield Republican, December 17, 1914.

THE REASON WHY

"Diogenes never looked for an honest women."—(Columbian Jester.)
Diogenes never set out on an easy task.

HELP THE CAUSE.—Mention the Maryland Suffrage News When Patronizing Our Advertisers.

WOMEN AND RUSSIA

It is interesting to note that Miss Zinaida Vengerover, in a recent lecture in Dublin, says in Russia, which is supposed to be far behind the other countries of Europe in civilization, that women are looked upon as the equals of men. They are as free as men and are treated as comrades intellectually and socially. No social movement has any chance of success unless worked by the men and women in unison.

The chair of history in Petrograd University is filled by a woman, Madame Ostrovka.

THE NEW SOUTHERN CITIZEN

Several copies of the New Southern Citizen, published by the Southern States Womans' Suffrage Conference, has been received at headquarters. It is an earnest and up-to-date magazine, showing the power for organizing and ready writing for which the Southern women are so justly noted.

One of its articles, quoting from the American Press, Lake Charles, La., gives this cheering information: "The suffrage movement in Louisiana is a mass movement now, and is independent of the Era Club and other organizations not exclusively devoted to suffrage."

TOO EMOTIONAL

A writer in the New York Press imagines a committee of enfranchised women giving a respectful attention to a deputation of disfranchised men and giving through its chairman this answer: "Gentlemen, your arguments have been very entertaining. Never has your cause been more eloquently presented. We women will assure you that in due course of time, and when the matter is reached on our calendars, we will give the question of man suffrage our most respectful consideration. Really great obstacles to men voting is that they are too emotional. I have observed it at football games and political conventions. Men of otherwise good character forget it all at a convention. When they were unseated, they howled like demons. Remember how, at the last National Republican Convention, men cheered 53 3-5 minutes at the name of the former sporting editor of The Outlook. The Democrats, to go them one better, kept their lungs at work whooping and howling for "the peerless leader" one hour 21 minutes and 52-5 seconds, or thereabouts."—From the Springfield Republican, December 17.

CROWDED OUT

Nobody ain't Christmas shoppin'
Fur His stockin'
Nobody ain't catch no turkey
Nobody ain't bake no pie,
Nobody's laid nuthin' by,
Santa Claus don't cut no figger
Fur his mammy's little nigger.

Seem lak everybody's rushin'
An' er crushin'
Crowdin' shops and jamming trolleys,
Buyin' shoes and shirts and toys
Fur de white folks' girls and boys
But no hobby horse ain't rockin'
Fur His little wore-out stockin'.

He ain't quar'lin recollect'
He don't spec'
Nuthin' hits his not expectin'
Makes his mammy wish O Laws!
Fur er nigger Santy Claus
Totin' jus er toy balloon
Fur his mammy's little coon.

ROSALIE M. JONES.

Rosalie M. Jones, the valiant general of The Army of the Hudson, sent out the foregoing appeal in behalf of the poor negro children in the San Juan Hill district, New York, where there is much unemployment.