



SAN DIEGO, CAL.

Sept 22, 1911.

My dear Miss Clay,

Yours of Sept
12 disapproving the Board
concealing facts from
other Board members
is only just received

I can't see any objection
to a donor with holding her
name, if she does not
put on secret conditions
to trip us up just as we

are about to decide something
But this is just the trouble, there
is never money for things you
or I might suggest but some
is sure to be found for things
the three paid officers want.

I see that despite our
protests + without a vote of the
Official Board, Miss Gouenig
Miss Fleming "Representatives of the

National" have started out. See
enclosed clipping. That's the
way about Waman's Journal.
They lost the vote to officially
investigate + then went unof-
ficially.

I have not heard from a
Board member about my
coming here + I do not know
how they take it. The people
do not look on me as a National
or eastern worker. They cannot

me one of them + seem
very grateful. Our
evening meetings on the
streets are the best, never
less than 1000 + often
1500 or more.

The South end is
sure for us.

I wish I knew what you
thought about my Laura
Gragg letter + the Kansas
situation.

Yours sincerely
Catharine Waugh Mculloch

189 North Mill Street, Lexington, Ky.

Sept. 22nd, 1911.

My dear Mrs. McCulloch,

I have just received your two letters from Pasadena, of Sept. 16th. I am answering without delay, as the distances are so long.

Now as to Mrs. Johnston's letter: I know no more of the situation in Kansas than you do; and apparently neither of us know more than the very scant information sent from headquarters. I suppose the money Miss Shaw proposes to send to Kansas is part of that fund from an unknown source, which Miss Shaw wishes to expend in the name of the Board. I suppose by this time you have received my letter to the Board objecting to its being spent in the name of the Board. It is apropos of the answer I would suggest to Mrs. Johnston. I am of the opinion that it would be very unwise for the Kansas suffragists to take any action to join the National again at this time. I think next May is quite early enough. Nothing ought to induce them to do it before the convention in Louisville.

In my opinion, if the secular papers get hold of the fact that the Official Board may be elected only from women who reside in the vicinity of New York, and that the Executive Committee which now allows two women from each state to hold ~~the~~ official position with votes in the convention is to be replaced by that Advisory Council where the representatives of states have no seats in the convention and may only give advice, there will be a strong feeling against the National; and in states where the people are thinking about the National at all, like in Kansas, the antagonism will be sufficient to out balance all the good done by donations for the campaign. I think it would be particularly dangerous if these donations should come from an unknown source, and it might become known just in the midst of the campaign that they came from a source which ~~was~~ would antagonize the people of Kansas. You know Mrs. Potter made public

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her apprehensions, or rather protests, against the National's becoming dependent upon a plutocracy. Such an accusation in a critical time could work disastrously in a campaign. After that Louisville convention will be ample time for Kansas to join the National; and so I would advise Mrs. Johnston.

Your letter about Lanna Gregg is amazing. What are we to do about the usurpation of all authority at Headquarters? Really, I do not think the "insurgent" officers are doing fairly by the Association if they do not call the attention of the convention to these radical changes which are going on in the work ^{and policy} of the Association without even the whole Official Board knowing of it. I feel thankful that Alice Blackwell wrote her forceful article in the last Journal, repudiating the claim that the new constitution would help the Journal, the press or the literature department. Your letter and hers must take the "wind out of their sails" if any thing can. I have written another article for the Journal, which I am not sure will appear; for it is entirely too long, though not nearly long enough to express all the disquietude I feel. If I knew what we ought to do! But I do not! These hateful N.Y. headquarters are swallowing up all our resources. And now Miss Ashley and Mrs. Dennett write me that they, too, were ignorant of Mrs. Belmont's withdrawal of her pledged. So we have these headquarters saddled on us without any visible means for their support. For I cannot imagine that fatuity will go so far, even under Miss Shaw's eloquence, as to submit a third, or rather, fourth, time to the headquarters' being the subject of the whims of Mrs. Belmont.

I am rejoicing to hear all your good news from California! If we win there, smaller troubles will fall into the background.

Please give my love to Laura Gregg, or rather, Mrs. Cannon, if you see her again.

Very cordially yours,

Lexington, Ky.

Sept. 22nd, 1911.

Dear Mrs. Centrill,

Thank you for the dollar for the Fayette E.R.A. which I received in due time.

The headquarters for the National convention is to be the Seelbach. The State E.R.A. convention will also be held in Louisville on Wednesday, October 25th, in The Seelbach Red Room. We will have a one-day convention, with a session morning, afternoon and evening. We hope by having it at that time and place to have a larger attendance than we might otherwise secure.

I will do my best to see you have a good seat at the National.

Hoping to see you in Louisville, I am

Very cordially yours,

WOMAN SUFFRAGE PARTY
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Sept 22 1911

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CHAIRMAN

Dear Miss Blay:-

Mrs. Upton requests me
to send you the enclosed
letter from Mrs. M.C. Bulloch.

The work is opening
up splendidly here in
Cleveland.

Yours sincerely,

Elizabeth J. Hauser

also one from Miss Chase.
Return them to Mrs. Upton, please

To A. Parker
Hardwood Timber Products on Contract
Timber, Coal, Ranch and Plantation Lands
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Parma, Missouri, Sept. 22/11

Miss Laura Clay,
189 N. Mill st.,
Lexington.

Dear Miss Clay:--

I have your kind favor of 20th which I am referring to
Mr. Payton and suggesting that he see you on one of the occasions referred
to.

Yours, Respectfully,

A. Parker

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Committee**

J. SARAH BARNEY, M. D., Franklin

Andover, N.H., Sept. 23, 1911.

My dear Miss Clay:

I have read with pleasure your wise articles in the Journal relative to the new constitution. I am happy to report to you that our executive committee has voted against those radical amendments. We feel very strongly about it, too. We shall probably send three delegates to the Convention. I hope they will vote right. I can not go as I do not feel that it would be right for me to take the money from our treasury, it is so sorely ~~needed~~ needed in the state. We are to have a Constitutional Convention next June so we have a campaign on our hands.

Hoping that wise measures will prevail, I am,

sincerely yours,

Mary N. Chase.

Lexington, Ky.

Sept. 23rd, 1911.

Mrs. M. B. Fenwick,

San Antonio, Texas.

Dear Madam,

I send the photograph you ask for. I have been somewhat delayed in sending it because I had none with me.

I shall hope to get the premium song in time to arrange to have it sung at the National suffrage convention.

Very sincerely yours,

Lexington, Ky.

Sept 23rd, 1911.

My dear Mrs. Lecch,

Your letter of the 21st has just reached me, having been forwarded to Lexington, where I am for a few days making some preparations for the two conventions. I write at once to say that the railroad route you speak of is the one I intended to recommend in my letter to you; but as it is the new route, I fear I did not describe it accurately.

I hope you will come to Richmond Monday afternoon, so as to speak on Moral Sanitation. It will be better than to try to speak after the Board meeting; for I understand another important committee will likely meet in Berea the 5th and 6th, and it might draw away some of those with whom a meeting in Richmond would be useful. Unless I hear to the contrary, therefore, I shall look for you Monday afternoon on that new route. I am exceedingly interested, indeed "concerned" in the old Quaker sense, about Moral Sanitation; and I am thankful that a person so well able to handle the subject judiciously as yourself is undertaking it.

I had not heard at all of Mr. Avery's death. Frequently I do not see the papers for days, especially just now, whilst I am in Lexington.

I note what you say about asking different persons to say a few words at the convention. I am perfectly willing to leave the invitations to your discretion, after mentioning those to whom the attention ought to be extended on account of their connection with the E.R.A.

(Over)

I shall be glad to talk with you about the National convention and some questions which will come up before it, particularly about the headquarters and the proposed new constitution. Louisville will be entitled to two National delegates, and a great many state delegates. All of them will be interested in these two things, and I would like them to be thoroughly understood, especially as I disagree with Miss Shaw's point of view on both; and unless the delegates have given some thought beforehand it is only natural that they should accept the view of the National president. But both these subjects have a strong connection with the usefulness of the National to the state societies; and from that angle of vision I think I see more clearly than Miss Shaw.

If you do not finish your work for Moral Sanitation on Tuesday I hope you will stay with me as long as you see something you wish to do. It is something too important to miss. Had you thought of speaking at Berea at this time? Whilst you are so near, it might be a chance not to be overlooked.

Hoping to see you very soon, and thanking you for the great help you are giving us in preparations for the Conventions, I am

Affectionately yours,

P.S. I believe you are already informed that the State E.P.A. Convention is to be in the Seelbach Red Room, Wednesday, October 25th, with three sessions, morning, afternoon and evening, all to be open to the public,

Lexington, Ky.

Sept. 25rd, 1911.

My dear Mrs. Reebuck,

I am now in Lexington for a few days, doing work preliminary to the two conventions. I shall return to Richmond not later than Saturday, Sept. 30th.

This morning I received the National certificates and Calls. I have signed them, and am sending them on for your signature. To save time and postage, I would like to have you send them directly to the E.R.A.'s to whom they are to go. But if you are not able to attend to this, you can return them all to me after signing. In case you can do it, however, I send you the list for mailing. We are entitled to fourteen delegates, including Mrs. Giltner and my self. According to our vote at Covington they are distributed as follows:

Mrs. Mary E. Giltner, ----One

Laura Clay, -----One.

Newport, -----One.

Covington E.R.A., -----One.

Kentone Co. E.R.A. cannot have one, as it is not as large as others.

Fayette E.R.A. Three, to be sent to Miss Linda Neville, West Main Street
Lexington.

Madison E.R.A., three, sent to Mrs. James Bennett, Richmond.

Harrodsburg E.R.A. one, sent to Mrs. Mrs. Letcher Diker, Harrodsburg.

Meade County E.R.A., one, sent to Mrs. Feod Withers Smith, West Point, Ky.

Ashland E.R.A. one, sent to Mrs. C. M. Freeman, 24th and Winchester Avenue,
Ashland, Ky. She is now president in place of Miss

(Over)

White, who has gone to live in Louisville.
Louisville N.S.A. one, to be sent to Miss Virginia P. Robinson, 1710

Rosewood. Is it not too bad that Louisville will have only one, when it had nearly two hundred members? But you recollect that the vote was that all the fractions were to go to the Executive Committee. I hope Louisville will have a very large state attendance, to make up in part for this.

I have sent one Call for you to send with each certificate for delegate and alternate. It will save considerable writing about boarding houses, R.R. rates, etc. I will distribute those for Lexington and Richmond, and there is no use in sending one to Louisville.

I wish you would send immediately to me at Lexington three hundred of the last edition of the Ky. N.S.A. leaflet. I find continual use for them.

I did not write, because I thought my silence would show that I think it is the best thing we can do now to wait to publish the minutes of last year and the Louisville convention together. I hope you will be well enough to attend quietly both conventions there. All our Ex. Committee as far as heard from are opposed to that new constitution.

Miss Linda Neville visited the Commissioners of the Asylums again in August about the appointment of a woman physician in Hopkinsville, and it was finally done a few weeks ago; Dr. Louise Trigg obtaining the appointment. I feel so thankful and relieved; for I began to fear they would postpone until they could get the law repealed on us.

Be sure to carry the Ky. leaflets and cards to Louisville with you.

I am busy day and night, so I will close, only wishing you good health and that you will certainly be at Louisville.

Very cordially yours,

State Motto: Standing, Having Done All Stand

National Motto: For God and Home and Native Land

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Miss MAY STONE, 1400 Third Avenue, Louisville

Grayson, Ky., Sept-25 1911

Dear Miss Clay-

Truly I have not done in
your Department- what I desired- but I have
not been idle- my other duty takes nearly
all my time- Below I give little Report-

Hope to see you at Conference
Juliet L. Powers-

Received and gave out- large number of the
Leaflets- "In seasons- for School Suffrage for women"
Gave 3 "talks" on subject at Social Meetings
Spoke once to Teachers- on subject,
gave all the- number the Leaflets-
talked with- thinking men- & urged them to
stand up, on this question, gave them Leaflets-

SEP 30 1911 5 PM PA.



Miss Laura Clay
~~Richmond~~ Lexington
Ky
11 miles at Kentucky

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1911
REC'D.

Lexington, Ky.

Sept. 25th, 1911.

Dear Mr. Southgate,

The duties of State Historian, as proposed by Miss Susan B. Anthony who suggested the office, are to keep a history of what may be called the woman movement in each state, which you will observe is a wider import than simply what the E. B. A. does, which is usually fully recorded in the annual minutes.

The first State historian appointed by the Ky. E. B. A. on this request of Miss Anthony's was Miss ^{Hellie Herndon} who compiled some quite interesting items. After her death nothing really definite has been done. The field is practically open without any precedents. Miss Anthony's idea was that material should be gathered for future volumes of the History of woman suffrage. I believe she proposed it at the convention about the time of her 80th year, saying she had hitherto kept such data, but that hereafter the suffragists must provide some other source for references for future volumes of the History.

I believe an interesting paper for the convention could be made of a review of the world's advance in the woman movement during the past year, with particular notice of anything concerning women in our own state. This should be filed away for the purposes I have mentioned above for the cost of our minutes does not permit the Ky. E. B. A. printing any but the most important of the facts in Kentucky.

I hope you will be able to attend the whole of both conventions in Louisville.

Very sincerely yours,

Lexington, Ky.

Sept. 25th, 1911.

Mrs. Florence Rowland,

Major, Ky.

Dear Madam,

I have taken great interest in the little contest of the Woman's Club at Posey for the best account of how money was raised for the Club. When I was asked to award the prize I thought the best book for the purpose was a quite recent publication by a Club woman, which is highly spoken of by the critics and which I had read with much pleasure myself, having seen it at the Public Library in Lexington.

When I heard from Mrs. Flanery that you had won the prize I was in the country, but expected to come to Lexington in a few days. When I arrived here I promptly ordered the book, and this morning I have heard that it has been sent from the publishers. So by the time this letter reaches you I hope you will have received the book, "What Eight Billions of Women Want".

I congratulate you upon your successful narration of how the money was earned. I am told it was written in rhyme, which adds to its charm. I am hoping for a copy of the poem, and an account of the whole contest in time to show to the Board meeting of the Federation, which is to be held in Richmond, Oct. 3-4. I am sure others will be interested in this very practical contest.

Wishing your club much success, and that the book may prove an inspiration to you and other members, I am
very sincerely yours,

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but can I have it formally brought before the convention in such
form that it can be considered by our memberahip during the year

Looking forward to seeing you

I remain, Yours sincerely

Alice Henry

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September 25, 1911

Dear Miss Clay,

I have not made myself quite clear. I should indeed enjoy all the outings you suggest, but that is not exactly what I am after. I want to come in touch with the actual life of the people out in the country. I am not very particular whether it is blue-grass plains or mountains. I quite recognise the difficulties of doing much in the latter in a short time. Not only is travelling difficult and slow, but it is very expensive. Again without introductions from some one whom they know intimately enough to trust it is doubtful whether I should get to know the mountain people at all as they are very distrustful of strangers. Perhaps you may hear of something for me. If I had a companion it would in some ways be easier, but I have not heard of any and am not likely to here at this season of the year.

I have been reading your letter re the proposed constitution with much interest. Constitutions are not my strong point and yet I know they are the expression and may easily be the mis-expression of the people's will. As to my own amendment to alter the object of the Association from "To obtain the Vote" to "To obtain political, legal and social (or economic) equality for women". I know it cannot be voted upon this convention for it went in too late. But indeed I am not particularly anxious that anything should be done in a hurry upon a point so fundamental as

Abolitionary
Sept. 26th 1911

Dear Miss Clay:
I had a letter
a few weeks ago from the
Woman's Press Club of
Tennessee asking me
to deliver an address at
the Appalachian Exposition
on Woman's Day and
among the subjects
suggested were "Woman's
Rights" and "The Legal
Status of Women in Tennessee".
I wonder if this is not
the result, in part, of
that little suffrage
meeting held at the expo-
sition so many years
ago when I read a paper
and discovered that nature
never intended me to be a

public speaker.

I had to decline the invitation for lack of time lack of strength and many other excuses. If I go anywhere this fall it must be to the Louisville Convention, but the very thought of going anywhere makes me tired. I have never recovered from the breakdown of four years ago and probably never shall. In rest is the only cure for a nervous breakdown, and as long as I live I have to write a book every year to keep my royalties up to the point where they will support the family, besides keeping house and cooking.

I had planned to go up

taking Cecil with me, but she wants to go to Toledo in a few days to visit my brother and his wife, so if I go, I'll have to go alone. I am writing a suffrage story and the convention would be a great help to me in this. You need some local color and what the artist's call "atmosphere." But could I stand even one day at that great convention when so small a thing as a call from a stranger or the home-coming of my own child tires me out and deprives me of sleep? Every week I read the Woman's Journal and my heart leaps at the thought of seeing those women with whom I have worked so long.

Then too, I am a member,
now, of the National Assoc-
iation and I would like
to vote on some of those
questions that are to
come up before the
Convention. I agree with
you about the personnel
of the National Board,
and if the powers of that
board are ~~very~~ turned over
to a few northern women
it will be a disaster.

I am sending you an
autograph copy of "Lally
Ann's Experience"

Oct 1st I got Cecil off &
John yesterday morning and
now I can collect my
scattered notes and finish this.

But for my work in
the N.Y. E.R.A. Lally Ann's
Experience would never have

been written, if ^{Sept 26, 1910} Sally Ann's
Experience had never been
written, I might never
have been the author of
Aunt Jane of Kentucky, & so
my share of literary fame
and fortune rest on
my belief in woman
suffrage. About 12,000
copies of "Sally Ann" have
been sold in the last
year, though it was pub-
lished ~~written~~ thirteen years ago.
and I hope to dramatize
it this winter. My last
book I began when
Cecil was a baby, four-
teen years ago. It takes
me a long time to ac-
complish things, and

life grows harder all
the time. My boys are
doing finely in Texas
and Alexander holds the
position of Assistant
City Engineer in Dallas.
He has done fine work and
made a reputation as
a civil engineer that
makes me very proud of
him.

I know how busy you are
so I shall not be offended
if you do not answer this.

Sincerely Your friend,

L. C. Overchain.

189 N. Mill St., Lexington, Ky.

Sept. 26th, 1911.

My dear Miss Leib,

I may seem a long time in answering your letter of Sept. 8th; but I could not personally answer your inquiry for names to put on your committees. I have mentioned your request to some of the locals and will do so to others, and possibly they may send in some names. It would not be desirable to ask the delegates to the National to serve on committees, as they ought to be in the convention all the time. But some E.R.A. members not delegates might be available for that service. However, I believe it would be safer for you not to depend upon securing any of them.

If your Committee on Excursions has any literature for distribution about the Mammoth Cave, will you kindly send a copy to Miss Alice Henry, Room 1310, 79 Dearborn Street, Chicago, Illinois?

No doubt you have heard of the prize offered by Miss Brackenridge of San Antonio, for the best suffrage song to the tune of Dixie. It seems the judges have had a hard time to decide on the prize winner; and I have just received the enclosed letter, which explains itself. If you think having two or all three of the songs sung as suggested, ^{is practicable} will you kindly notify Mrs. Fenwick? I enclose a copy of the three.

Very cordially yours,

September 26 - 1911

Riker Place
Harrodsburg, Kentucky

My dear Miss Clay,

Again I am writing to you for information - My serious illness of almost a year suffering in semi-invaldism - has prevented my perfecting an organization of Equal Rights Association beyond the point of a circle who have signed the membership

recorded sent in my book.
but there are thirty numbers
and last Spring I sent
Mrs Sheplund of Covington
National dues for that
number - having paid
State dues as you will
remember just before the
meeting in Covington
Although Mrs. Sheplund
never acknowledged my
sending the National dues
nor before they have
acknowledged from any
where. I feel sure they are
recorded - same when as paid.

I am wondering if this
will not entitle and circle,
of which I am still Chairman,
to recognition - by ~~one~~
being entitled to send attend
an delegate. There was an
offer I believe of Richmond
Department an number
by giving us some of
Richmond's credit but I
have heard of nothing
concerning it since the offer
was made last autumn.

No announcements of
either State or National

Cards - I seem not to
have possessed my usual
power of initiation
Still my interest is
strong and my
belief steadfast and
I really want represen-
tation in Larchville
for an informal
organization. If you
concur and keep
record of our members
- slip cards - you will
find I think that
27 have been sent
to you. I find 27 cards

meeting have reached ^[Sept 26, 1911]
us officially - only
by Riker Ware reading
Harrodsburg, Kentucky
the papers as we know
of the good things "a-
coming" in Louisville
soon. We will certainly
send a delegate if we
are entitled to one -
and excepting that we
have not been acknowledged
since the payment of
national dues - as
you advised - I know
of no reason why we
should not be
represented. I am
now much better

truth is growing in the
minds of many and I do
want the inspiration of
the meeting of great
women in Lanesville to
reach here in Mercer Co.

Will you kindly
instruct me - for time is
little time even now to
push an order to activity
now before the October
meeting. I have no receipt
nor acknowledgment of
any paid - (National) but

while I was very seriously
ill last Spring I surely sent
an order to Mrs. Shipling
for same - You will smile
I am sure when I tell you
you that - at the time I
was mentally obsessed
with the idea that if I
did not pay those dues then
I would not be here to pay
them at all. Well I am here
and without any obsession
save the one - we want to be
represented in Lanesville.

Very Sincerely and Cordially
Yours
Francis Small Piker

and with course about
of strength - I trust can
at least do something
toward helping these
things in which I feel
so vitally interested.

Handicrafting simply
need - a leader to
bring out her

strength - into a
strong I. P. S. and

I really have not
been equal in the
past year to be the
one elect. Still I am
convinced that this

Newport, Sept. 26. 1911

My dear Miss Clay:

Your letter
with the certificates and calls
received. I sent you this morning
by express three hundred leaflets.
Hope you receive them safely.

Am sending out the certificates
this morning to the various
associations. I find one which
you missed signing, am
returning it for your signature.
I have reserved that one
for the Newport C. R. A.
so you can return it to
me after signing.

I am so sorry Kenton County
cannot have a delegate. I had
hoped that one could, from
the fractions of the other

associations, be entitled to another delegate which we could give to them.

My health is improving very much, in fact my friends say I look as well as ever. I am afraid it is my nervous system that has suffered most, as a very little excitement leaves me with a most violent headache. I go for a walk every day, now that I have discarded my crutches and use only a cane. I certainly hope to be at Louisville to help defeat the new Constitution. It really is a most one-sided affair. Hoping to see you soon
I am Very Sincerely,
Emma M. Rockwell.

1416 7th Wash D.C.
Sept 26 - 1911

Dear Mrs. Upton:

Miss Greening
and Miss Fleming were here
last night and as near as I
can make out their ideal is
to publish a commercial paper,
which, to be successful would
require the most astute and
devoted work of skillful editors
and publishers and to my mind
is an impractical dream. They
want some thing that can be
sold successfully on the streets
like the Saturday Evening Post
I suppose. I fear they get
little sympathy here. They have
assigned a certain sum to be

raised in each state the Dist. quota
is \$345 - and the total \$45000 -
They want to see Mrs. Casement in
Painesville. We had a pretty plain
talk - there were about a dozen
to meet them and Belva began
by generally pitching in to every
thing going today. The breadgraters
seems to be entirely out of touch
with the states and to feel that
the states resent any suggestion
advice or assistance. I think

that the states would welcome a change
of ideas and plans of work. They have
responded pretty well to the resolutions
sent out. Miss Histon has heard
from 13 states. all favoring resolutions

I am working on the rough
draft of my report and hope to
mail it to you for approval the
last of the week. There is so much
to say that I can not make many
comments on the report outside of
the ^{facts} report and recommendations

I think your article in the
Journal was all right. I
heard from Miss Howland today.
She will not go to Louisville
but is opposed to the changes
in the Constitution.

I hope with cooler weather
you are resting up a little.

I am feeling so sorry that
two of our fine Congressional
daughters - Nabel Foster and
Clara Hill will be away this
winter. They helped a lot
last winter.

Cordially yours -

Emma M. Gillett

Lexington, Ky.

Sept. 27th, 1911.

My dear Mrs. Roebuck,

Your letter received, with certificates enclosed. I return yours, with my name signed.

I am very, very glad you are to be at the National convention. I hear from all sides that that new constitution will not pass. If it does pass in spite of our efforts I intend to try to take it calmly, as the National cannot force the states to pay dues, or in fact, do anything. I believe such a constitution will weaken or destroy any feeling of loyalty to the National; but I hope it will not interfere seriously with state work; and we all can turn our attention to state work.

Miss Caroline Leib, 1234 First Street, Louisville, chairman of General Committee of National Convention arrangements, has written asking me to name members outside of Louisville to put on some of her committees; Excursion Committee: Sales Table: Membership: Platform: Entertainment, or any others I would suggest. I wrote her I did not think National delegates should serve on those committees, as their time ought to be given to the Convention; but that I would ask our clubs, if they knew any of their members were going as visitors, and would be willing to serve, to notify her, giving the names and committee preferred.

Leaflets arrived in time this morning. Thank you.

I am preparing to get out the program; but if for any reason you prefer to do it, I would be glad to get rid of the job. I hope to go back to Richmond tomorrow or Friday, for I have much work there before the conventions.

Very cordially yours,

Sept 28. 1911

Riker Place
Harrodsburg, Kentucky

My dear Miss Clay.

You are right
Mrs. Rolucks letter
containing certificates
for Harrodsburg
Crossed mine so
you are the way
you have been
generous to an
small informal
number and appreciation.

in Richmond next week
please do not mention
my expectation to be
in Lanesville during the
meeting of the Association

I have reserved that
possibility so that she
may accept her delegate-
ship with full pleasure
without such reservations
as I know she would
have. If she know that
I hoped to be a

visitor. Mrs. Hardin
will go fully instructed
as to your ideas as
our State President - also
she may gain inspiration
from visiting you and
others in Richmond
next week. Thanking
you - I am most cordially
yours.

Frances Simall Pike

can only be shown
by more serious
work in the future

Miss Hardin is
anxious to represent
us and an official
paper will go to her
accordingly. Still I
do hope to be in
Louisville at least
part of the time
and to attend the
meeting. When
you see Mrs Hardin

1234 First Street

Louisville Ky - Sept 8th/11

My dear Miss Clay-

Will you kindly send me the names of members of the State Woman's Suffrage Association who would be willing to serve on our local Committee for the ^{next} convention in October. The Committee on which I think it would be well and very desirable to have ladies away from Louisville serve are:

Excursions Committee
Sales Table " "
Membership " "
Platform " "
Entertainment " "

If you think we ought to
have the state represented
on other Committees please
let me know. If when writing
me the names of the ladies
you will also state on
which Committee each
one could serve best I
would be greatly obliged
to you. We have had our

meeting of the Committee on
Arrangements and I feel we
are getting down to real
work -

I hope you have had a pleasant
summer -

Very sincerely

Caroline Leib

Chairman of several Committees

Lexington, Ky.

Sept. 28th, 1911.

My dear Mrs. Riker,

Your letter of Sept. 26th is just at hand. I remember perfectly your sending a check for dues last year or last spring; and except that I have most of my letter files in Richmond, where I have been for months until the last few days, I could tell you exactly who has been remiss in acknowledging the money, Mrs. Shepard or myself. However, I have not been remiss about seeing that Harrodsburg is represented at the National Convention in Louisville. Only a few days ago Miss Ashley sent out the certificates for delegates. We are entitled to 14 delegates, - two ex-officio for the member of the National Ex. Com., Mrs. Mary E. Giltner, of Covington, and myself, as state president. The others were distributed as I believe I have written you, according to the vote of the convention, one for every hundred members, to be chosen by the local clubs themselves, all fractions to belong to the Ex. Com. Lexington was entitled to three, having three hundred and more members: Madison to three; Ashland to one; Louisville to one, not having quite two hundred members last December: Meade Co. one; Covington. E. R. A. one; Newport, one; and Harrodsburg, one. I signed the certificates and sent them at once for the signature of the Recording Secretary, Mrs. Roebuck, with instructions to send them out as above. I heard from her only yesterday; but I suppose her letter to you and yours to me crossed each other in the mail. If you have not received the certificate you must notify me or Mrs. Roebuck.

This applies only to the National Convention, dues to which had to be in before the first of January last. As you will have received notice in Mrs. Roebuck's letter, our State convention is to be held in Louisville

Wednesday, October 25th, in the Beebach Red Room. I trust Harrodsburg will have several delegates to the state convention. If Mrs. Shepard has not notified you to collect ¹ dues and send to her, she ought to have done so; and you will have to let this be official notice.

We have had our E.R.A. business much disordered this year by the very serious illness of Mrs. Roebuck, on account of which we have not had our usual printed minutes. She was taken with a stroke of paralysis before she had prepared them for the printer; and has recovered so very recently that we decided to issue the minutes of two years in one pamphlet. But I have found Mrs. Shepard, though slow, and I have no doubt your check is accurate, recorded for the minutes.

I am very glad to know that you will send a delegate to the National for Harrodsburg; and I also hope there will be visitors from your Asso. too. We are going to have some very serious subjects for discussion before the National, relating to a proposed new constitution which I consider revolutionary and disintegrating; and the National Headquarters. I am going to send you some Woman's Journals with some articles of mine on that new constitution. Our Ky. E.R.A. Executive Committee has voted against the ~~main points in the~~ revision of the constitution. We never even try to instruct delegates; but we have given our opinion of the danger of the proposed revision. I would be glad if you have the articles I send read by your members. One of the papers I will have to send after I return to Richmond, which I expect to do tomorrow, and remain there till the Conventions.

Hoping to see you soon, in good health, in Louisville, I am

Very cordially yours,

P.S. I received your letter some months ago, with additional membership cards signed; but they are in Richmond.

Sep 29, 1911
502 Greenup St
Cincinnati, Ky.
My dear Madam
Will you please
send me at once
some of those
Circulars that you
sent Mrs. M. ^{M. M. M.} ^{M. M. M.}
signed by the National
Officers and giving
of Mrs. M. M. M.
I want to encourage
many to attend &
hope you can do me
cordially yours
Mallie B. Reynolds

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THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS ONLY

Miss Laura Clay
Pres Hy Suffrage Socy -
Lexington Ky ~~Richmond~~
189 n. mill st Kentucky

Lexington, Ky.

Sept. 29th, 1911.

Dear Miss Henry,

I am just in receipt of your second letter. I felt that perhaps I did not exactly understand the object you desired to accomplish in a visit to Kentucky; and I am not sure that I do now. But I am quite sure that you could not come into contact with much of the actual life of the people in Kentucky by a two weeks' stay ^{in the country.} I imagine you have been accustomed to life in a city; and perhaps do not understand life in the country as I understand it, - that is, with neighbors from half-a-mile to a mile apart.

After I sent off my first letter I made some inquiries about the trip to the Natural Bridge, or to Torrent; and I believe that would come as near to meeting your wishes as anything I could suggest. One can take a boat at Louisville and come up to Frankfort on the Kentucky river. Thence to Lexington on the trolley or railroad at choice. Thence to Natural Bridge. I was told by the passenger agent at the Union depot at Lexington that one could get good board in a private house, - a Mrs. Paynter - at four dollars a week. But I do not suppose you would want to stay there more than one night. A few miles further is Torrent, a village with a hotel. And then the railroad goes on to Jackson, a little town quite in the mountains, where you would quite come into view, at least, of some of mountain life, and might make observations interesting to you. This would not be an expensive trip, and would give you a very picturesque trip through a time-table, which I secured for you. I and of the mountains.

that you do not think you can take the trip to the Mammoth Cave. The Federated Club women of Ky. are making efforts to have the Cave made a National reservation and park. One of the great natural wonders of the world ought to be conserved by the nation for the recreation of its people.

I wish you could get an idea of the life of a state almost strictly agricultural as Ky. is. It might help you to see how impossible it is for a person like myself, for instance, born and reared on a farm and now making my living by farming, to understand the point of view of the people who look on life from the standpoint of those who labor in masses, as they do in the manufacturing states. With the greatest desire in the world to have a heart open to sympathy with the life of others, and more strongly even, to have a strict regard for the rights of all others, I find myself so out of touch with the real point of view of manufacturing people that I feel that it is wise always to leave practical measures for their advancement to those who know something about them, whilst I confine myself to advocating those general principles of righteousness and justice which are applicable to mankind, regardless of all outside conditions. I have read the paper you sent me with much interest.

I trust my articles in the Journal about the proposed new constitution will at least have the effect of making our suffragists willing to go slow about making changes which many of the workers feel mean disintegration of the Association. New York people are so self-complacent that they have a feeble idea indeed of the storm of protest that would go up from the great west and the south at the idea of what pretends to be a National association being controlled exclusively by eastern people. My only consolation is that the disintegration of the N.A.W.S.A. would not seriously check the suffrage movement now. The states can go on without the National, though I do not feel its usefulness ought to end quite

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so soon, with only five states out of forty-eight enfranchised. I think the three officers at headquarters, assisted by Miss Shaw's eloquence, may have that constitution passed. But unless twenty-five years' study of the attitude of the people to the suffrage question, intertwined as it is with the very strongest sectional feelings of the people, have left me entirely mistaken as to the temper of our people, the National will lose its influence as an instrument of creating public opinion. I can only imagine that the promoters of the revision are indifferent to that aspect of it in the hope of building up certain paying financial enterprises. Even there I think they will find they have made a mistake, though I do not feel that I know enough of running newspapers and publishing concerns to insist that it would be a financial mistake, also. If our members want to give up propagandism and take to making money, there may be more in this move than I think there is. But as I have worked all these years for the sake of propagandism, I feel very averse to having the Assoc. diverted to money-making purposes.

Hoping to see you in Louisville, I am

Very truly yours,

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September 30th. 1911.

Miss Laura Clay,
189 N. Mill St.,
Lexington, Ky.

My dear Miss Clay:

I have just had a note from Marion B. Fenwick of San Antonio, Texas, saying: that the two best songs in the competition for the prize for the best suffrage words to the tune of Dixie, are of about equal merit, and she suggests that both songs be sung at the Convention, and that the final decision be made then.

She asks what we think of the plan. I have written to her that we will leave that matter to the Music Committee in Louisville, as I understand from Miss Robinson that the Music Committee disapproved of suffrage campaign songs altogether.

Very sincerely,

Mary Ware Dennett

Corresponding Secretary.

MWD/MF

Sept. 30. 1911.

Miss Martha Connole,
Carrolton, Illinois.

My dear Miss Connole:--

I haven't heard whether the Vandavia man invited you to his picnic or not. If so I would like to hear about what kind of an event it was, and how you enjoyed it.

Our state convention will be in Decatur October 31st, Nov. 1st. Of course that is in the middle of the week. I wonder if you could get a liew of absence so that you could attend. I know that you would enjoy it and be helped by it. If there is any possibility of your going I would like to have you on the program for a ten minute talk. Please let me hear what you think about it.

Yours most cordially,



HOTEL ARTESIA

B. J. TURNER, PROPRIETOR
HANFORD, CALIFORNIA

Sept. 30, 1911.

My dear Miss Clay,

Yours of

Sept 22, readdressed from Pasadena is at hand. I am very glad your last letter is printed in W. J. as I saw in copy of Sept 23. Have the District of Columbia people written anything publicly? If not I wish you could rouse them up to do something for W. J.

Harriet May Mills once wrote an excellent letter against breaking up the State organizations by allowing little clubs of fifty to join, + I believe you could get her to write another.

I have said my say + am
so far away that even my
California letters do not get in ^{to}
My first one should have
been in Sept 23, + the next
Sept 30. If those harmless
letters telling the local situa-
tion in these various localities
are delayed, I fear mine on
a controverted subject would
be longer delayed.

I am worried over the
national situation. I fear
Miss Shaw's ability to get
money, her ready eloquence
and the affection felt for
her by the rank + file will
lead the ordinary delegate
to vote for everything she
advocates. Her impulsive
nature leads her to state



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with hyperbole facts favorable to her contention and to forget others. If she keeps on she will lose the affection of the mass and the confidence of the old workers + what Harriet Taylor Upton hinted at may come to pass, secession ion.

The question of officers is also important, I asked Caroline Bartlett Crane to be 1st V. P. + she doesn't want it. I wish we could get Mrs Stewart to do it. We ought to have Middle

West and Southern candidates around which to rally. We have you + we will rally but if Miss Gordon is abroad who can fill her place?

We are about to go to the Co. Fair here to speak if arrangements have been made + will have a street meeting here tonight.

The Governor says we are sure to win but the anti's are putting up the biggest fight of their lives -

Yours heartily

Catherine Waugh McClatchy

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Sept. 30, 1911.

Miss Laura Clay,

Lexington, Ky.

My dear Miss Clay:--

I enclose a letter to Miss Shaw which explains itself. Do you know of any one available at Louisville who could do this work at less expense to the National.² Do you think that we could secure free entertainment for Miss Drake? Personally I would much rather have a Chicago woman do this work than one of the National headquarters stenographers, and it seems to be it would be foolish to bring one of them on from New York to Louisville.

I want to congratulate you on the splendid article you have had in the Woman's Journal. You certainly have a clear brain and ready pen and it seems to me you have demolished all their arguments. There evidently is to be a grand old hullabaloo over everything at the National Convention. I have been sprinting over Illinois the past few weeks, often speaking twice a day and carrying a certain amount of headquarters work with me, so I haven't had time to write my ideas to the Woman's Journal nor to the board members about various things. But I can assure you I have been doing a heap of thinking. I am going to re-read all correspondence on

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Miss Clay.

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9-30-11.

National matters before I go to Louisville, and I will take all the letters with me in my trunk too to have for reference in the discussions in the Board meeting.

I wrote Mrs. McCulloch today that I considered that last letter which Miss Shaw sent out about her mixing things up in California, a very insulting one and that I was ready to roll up my sleeves and do some fighting on her behalf. I told her I thought she would simply have to stand now for re-election as Vice President. She has been on only one year, and I certainly am opposed to their chasing her off after one year's incumbency when they were so glad to get her at Washington after Mrs. Avery's resignation.

I feel the same way about Miss Gordon. As a matter of fact Miss Shaw really juggled votes in order to get Miss Gordon elected. Miss Gordon does not know this and I would be the last to tell her; but now it is a pretty pass for her to be trying to rout Miss Gordon as soon as she feels that Miss Gordon has served her purpose. There is no doubt that we will have to ventilate some transactions. This is a personal letter to you, and not a Board letter.

Sincerely

Ella S. Stewart

169 Crescent Ave.
Louisville, Ky.
September 30 1911

My dear Miss Clay,

At the last meeting of the Committee of Arrangements for the Suffrage Convention it was decided to send a copy of the enclosed letter to each President of the Kentucky Federation.

As only a few of the Suffrage Clubs are federated, and I have not the list of the others, I am sending you a few copies of the letter to send to those Suffrage clubs if you so desire. The programmes which are copied from the Woman's Journal.

You will notice that we are planning to have a short service at the Domestic Fair. We hope to have one of the women suffragists of national distinction speak. Perhaps have

the opening prayer and reading of a short
extract of poetry suitable to the occasion, by
one of the Louisville ministers.

The introductory address we want by one
the Kentucky man suffragists.

We have thought of several names—
Col. Henry L. Stone, President Baker, of
State University, — both suffragists — Now such
suggested Col. Andrew Cowan, but he is not
a Kentuckian —

If you have any
name to suggest, I should be glad if
you would give ^{it} to us, and anything else
that would help to make the life of
the Farm worth while to our visitors.

We hope that the Convention
will be a success and we are trying
to do our part towards it.

With sincere regards

Alice H. White.

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CAROLINE I. REILLY, CHAIRMAN

Dear Miss Clay:-

You're a lady after my own heart! Thank you so much for the two photographs. One I shall use in a syndicate article with some of the other leaders and one I have loaned to the Woman's Journal. It is most amusing and very encouraging to receive letters in every mail from the big newspaper syndicates and press associations throughout the entire country, asking, and really demanding, advance stories about the convention, when I so well remember such a short time ago ~~when~~ they would ^{not} even answer letters on the subject. "De world do move." It is a great pleasure to work under the new conditions and it is an incentive to put in every single minute, night and day, to keep the ball rolling.

Mrs. Castleman seems to be exactly the person for the work in Louisville, and her co-operation has been extremely gratifying. If you can think of anything that is being overlooked, I would appreciate it if you would poke me up, as I am very anxious to send everything possible to the Louisville papers. However, those who are on the ground and understand local conditions may notice some omissions, and I should be glad of any suggestions.

Again thanking you, I am

Very sincerely,

Caroline I. Reilly

Sept 1911?



Dear Mrs Clay

Miss Lucy Anthony
will give the Stockholm
experience. The old Miss
Robinson had the word
he willing to do it.

I will send Mrs Robinson
your letter so that she
will know just how
long to make it.

I am sure having
my full attendance &
but shall be in
business with you to-
morrow or later.

Very sincerely
Arthur Kohl