

There was likewise much said about the prayers of the mother in the interest of her children. Now, what was the matter with the prayers of the father? (Laughter.) If they were not all right it should be known. Then again, anti-suffrage speakers had grown eloquent and writers fruitful over women being the power behind the throne. That was beautiful, too. But it was not nearly so nice as power on the throne, as Queen Lilly would readily assent to. (Laughter.)

Then there was that old, old story, also very beautiful, that "the hand that rocks the cradle is the hand that rocks the world." Just as if women should spend seventy-years of her life rocking the cradle that never stopped. In infancy men could be rocked, but when they became men they couldn't be and there was more trouble. (Laughter.) It was time such poetic nonsense was relegated to the realms of oblivion and the conclusion arrived at that the work of the world needs all men and all women. There never would be peace and contentment and tranquility until that happy condition prevailed triumphant among the children of men. Utah had just done its part in this direction and great things for the emancipation of women would be expected of the new State. (Prolonged applause.)

Sarah M. Kimball, of Salt Lake, honorary vice president of the National Association, was the next speaker, and she told how, in the early fifties, she had secured a copy of a paper published in New York and called the *Revolution*. In it there was a burlesque account of the equal suffrage movement. She said to herself that there was a seed of truth in it, notwithstanding the manner in which it was described, and she accepted it. She never could have done the work for equal suffrage in Utah that she had, but for the assistance received from Miss Anthony, who was the great reformer in that movement. It reminded her of an anecdote concerning the great Napoleon. He had been invited to a banquet of elaborate proportions. By some means the place at the head of the table was occupied by another and an apology was made, but it was unnecessary, as the answer was, "Wherever Napoleon is there is the head of the table." (Applause.) "And wherever Miss Anthony is, there is the head of the woman suffrage movement." (Applause.)

Mr. L. N. Stansbury, of Denver, Colorado, was next introduced by Miss Anthony who paid a high tribute to her work for the good cause. The information was also given out that she was a member of the editorial staff of the *Rocky Mountain News* and the likelihood was that some of the doings of the conference would be reflected in the columns of that journal, therefore "Aunt Susan" was very anxious for her sisters to be on their best behavior. Mrs. Stansbury quickly proved herself to be an able and winsome woman. She said the way for a woman to get what she wanted by "silent influence" was just to keep on talking, talking, talking until man was willing to give her what she asked for. The speaker had never seen anything but good come from women in politics in Colorado. Nothing but good would come anywhere.

The next speaker was Mrs. C. C. Bradford, another able Colorado woman, who was introduced by Miss Anthony as having been the first lady nominee for a state office in Colorado. Mrs. Bradford, however, in answer to a question said she did not have the good luck to be elected and that it wasn't very reassuring to be introduced as a defeated candidate. (Laughter.) She knew something about politics. She, however, did not get her first lessons in it while running the race for state superintendent of public instruction. She had been in it before up to her heart and head. It was not true that women would seek office. They wanted none outside of some of those of an educational character. Politics did not make women masculine. On the contrary it made them more feminine. She thanked God for the recognition of woman's rights in Utah and predicted that they would yet prevail in this country "from sea to sea and from Canada to Mexico." (Applause.) She also told graphically how equal suffrage had finally triumphed in Colorado after a tremendously hard and long struggle.

Several other ladies raised their voices briefly in behalf of the equal suffrage cause, speaking in the order here given: Mrs. Zina D. H. Young, Salt Lake; Mrs. William Ferry, Park city; Mrs. Bathsheba W. Smith, Mrs. C. E. Allen, Mrs. Luella Melton, Mrs. Isabella Horne and Mrs. E. H. Parsons, all of Salt Lake.

Hon. J. R. Murdock, of Beaver, being called upon made a few closing remarks, after which the conference adjourned until 8 o'clock this evening when Miss Shaw will again be the principal speaker. A piano was placed in the convention hall this afternoon and tonight there will be music by Miss Florence Folsom and the Cecelia club will sing the Psalm of Life.

Monday night's meeting was a very interesting one. The convention hall was packed to overflowing and being found wholly inadequate for the increased attendance, each successive session was abandoned for the Assembly Hall for the remainder of the conference. The session opened with prayer by Elder Angus M. Cannon, president of the Salt Lake Stake. Miss Anthony said in looking over the vast audience, which stood for out into the corridor, that through the kindness of President Woodruff the future meetings of the conference would be held in the Assembly Hall and Mrs. Wells supplemented by saying that the convention hall was chosen by her because it was considered to be absolutely neutral ground. The Cecelia club, Maude Pratt, director rendered the Psalm of Life, in a most artistic manner. In addition to the director the young ladies composing the organization are, Lettie Davis, Amy Smith, Hermie Pratt, Vinole Burbridge, Edna Dwyer, Kate Dwyer, Angie Smith and Gwennie Lewis, piano accompanist.

Miss Anthony was the first speaker. She said that it was more than passing strange that our Revolutionary fathers who struggled for, fought for and established a Republican-Democratic form of government, granting as they said equal rights to all should have violated the very principle they ad-

voated—that taxation and representation were one and inseparable. Instead of creating such a government they gave life to a white male aristocracy of wealth which the equal suffragists had been combatting with all their strength for the last half a century. She then told, with considerable detail, of the earnest, untiring and incessant work of herself and confederates during that period. The experiences of these untiring labors in the national congress in attempting to secure the enfranchisement of their sex were interestingly and amusingly related. When the time to vote came, senators and representatives of the nation's law-making body too often found it convenient to be absent. What Colorado, Wyoming and Utah had done in the way of equal franchise was also eloquently spoken of and the prediction repeated that the work of knocking out that little adjective "male" from the organic laws of the different states until it had entirely disappeared. (Laughter and applause.)

Mrs. C. C. Bradford, of Denver, Colorado, next spoke. She said she had read in the Utah papers that Mr. Roberts, the eloquent anti-suffragist, had set up the claim that it degraded woman to go to caucus, primaries and conventions. She didn't believe it. She knew better because she had done those things and never felt a particle degraded or less feminine. She had voted and liked it and would vote just as early and often for the principles and candidates of her choice as the law would permit. (Applause.) She had stumped the state of Colorado in every county and liked to talk for the political principles and party that she loved. The claim made by Mr. Roberts that women, the majority of them, didn't want to vote didn't apply to Colorado. In that state there were twice as many men as women and yet the latter cast sixty per cent of the total vote at the last election. (Applause.) Women loved peace even in politics and in her state they had made the politicians respect their opponents. There were none of those dreadful demoralizing conditions there that anti-equal suffragists so love to predict. On the contrary the effect was most wholesome. Woman typified love as men typified wisdom. The former was the centrifugal force of civilization and the latter was exactly the opposite. The women of Colorado believed that all stumbling blocks should either be gone around, climbed over or swept out of the way. (Applause.) They would soon put an end to municipal mismanagement. Hereafter, so far as the government of the city of Denver was concerned, politics and ethics would be one. Democrats, Republicans, Populists and Prohibitionists would prove to the country, through woman's influence inside of six months, that reform would win (applause). The speaker said that Mr. Roberts, whom she would so like to meet, was mistaken when he said woman suffrage would have a bad effect on the home. She had proven to the contrary. This was the twentieth year of her married life and all the time she had been a pronounced Democrat, had been one of the leading state office nominees of that party, while her husband was an uncon-