# REASONS

# WHY THE WOMEN OF NEW JERSEY OPPOSE EQUAL SUFFRAGE ...

- 1. Because suffrage is to be regarded not as a privilege to be enjoyed, but as a duty to be performed.
- 2. Because hitherto the women of this State have enjoyed exemption from this burdensome duty, and no adequate reason has been assigned for depriving them of that immunity.
- 3. Because conferring upon the women who claim it would impose suffrage upon the many women who neither desire it as a privilege nor regard it as their duty.
- 4. Because the need of America is not an increased quantity, but an improved quality, of the vote, and there is no adequate reason to believe that woman's suffrage by doubling the vote will improve its quality.
- 5. Because the household, not the individual is the unit of the State, and the vast majority of women are represented by household suffrage.
- 6. Because the women not so represented suffer no practical injustice which giving the suffrage will remedy.
- 7. Because equality in character does not imply similarity in function, and the duties and life of men and women are divinely ordered to be different in the State, as in the home.
- 8. Because the energies of women are engrossed by their present duties and interests, from which men cannot relieve them, and it is better for the community that they devote their energies to the more efficient performance of their present work than to divert them to new fields of activity.
- Because political equality will deprive women of special privileges hitherto accorded to her by the law.
- office, and office-holding is inconsistent with the duties of most women.

### MAN'S GOVERNMENT BY MAN

Every woman knows that the INTERESTS OF WOMEN—wives, mothers, sisters, daughters—ARE DEARER TO THE MEN THAN THEIR OWN.

EVERY SUFFRAGIST, by demanding the vote, practically DECLARES THAT THE HUSBANDS, FATHERS, SONS AND BROTHERS ARE NOT TO BE TRUSTED BY THEIR WIVES, MOTHERS, SISTERS AND DAUGHTERS.

Should strife and conflict come to our shores, as come they may, TO WHOM BUT OUR MEN CAN WE TURN FOR PROTECTION?

If men alone can protect and govern in times of storm and strife, shall we not PLACE EQUAL RELIANCE UPON THEM WHEN WE ARE AT PEACE?

The power of the BALLOT RESTS ENTIRELY UPON THE POWER TO EN-FORCE THE LAW.

Man's government by women would be A GOVERNMENT WITHOUT THE POWER TO ENFORCE ITS DECREES.

Government without force behind it would be government merely in name, because unable to command obedience or respect.

Unless there exists behind the ballot the power to enforce its mandate, THE BALLOT DEGENERATES FROM POWER TO WEAKNESS AND WEAKNESS SPELLS ANARCHY AND RUIN IN GOVERNMENT.

THE MAINTENANCE OF PEACE, THE PROTECTION OF LIFE AND PROPERTY, DEPEND UPON THE EXERCISE OF PHYSICAL FORCE WHEN NECESSARY, AND BY MAN ALONE CAN IT BE EXERCISED.

Vote NO on Woman Suffrage, October 19th, 1915

New Jersey Association Opposed to Woman Suffrage
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# TO THE MEN OF NEW JERSEY-

Do you know that the women of this State were granted Partial Franchise under the Constitution of 1776?

Do you know why they were deprived of that franchise by an Act, passed on November 16th, 1807, which confined the right of suffrage to white male citizens twenty-one years of age and over?

#### BECAUSE!

A General Election in 1806 was carried by fraud and was declared null and void.

Women voters were convicted of committing these frauds.

In different districts they were detected in repeating under assumed names.

The same women dressed in men's clothing and voted again.

Some voted six times!

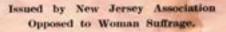
Does this go to prove that women's votes will purify politics?

Remember that within the past three years over 13,000 New Jersey women have declared over their signatures that they do not want the franchise.

Should suffrage be forced upon them?

Would this be justice?

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## Woman Suffrage and Its Allies

Woman Suffrage goes hand in hand with Feminism, Sex Antagonism and Socialism—doctrines which would abolish the marriage eeremony, strike a blow at the fundamentals of Christianity and revolutionize our social system.

If Suffragists deny this, ask them these questions:

Why is the National American Woman Suffrage Association publishing and selling the book entitled "The Case for Woman Suffrage"—a book filled with the most extreme feministic and socialistic arguments as reasons why women should vote?

Why has the National Woman Suffrage Association published and circulated "Bondwomen"—an infamous pamphlet attacking the marriage ceremony and characterizing wifehood as a species of slavery?

Why do suffrage organizations engage Charlotte Perkins Gilman, Winifred Harper Cooley, Rheta Childe Dehrr, Inez Milholland-Boissevain, Max Eastman and other radical feminists and socialists to speak and write for Woman Suffrage?

Why is every socialist and every feminist an ardent woman suffragist?

Why has the New York State Men's League for Woman Suffrage employed as its secretary Max Eastman, editor of "The Masses," a socialist publication, which printed the blasphemous poem "God's Blunder?"

Why has no suffragist leader arisen to contradict the statement of Braverman, a socialist writer, that "No two social movements ever had so much in common as Woman Suffrage and Socialism?"

Why has no suffrage organization ever repudiated Socialism or Feminism, and why has no suffragist leader of any prominence ever written or spoken against those immoral propagandas?

No one can afford to be neutral regarding Socialism or Feminism, and no one can do anything, directly or indirectly, to advance those movements without helping to lay the axe at the tap-root of Christian civilization.

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