

# HEADQUARTERS

## Equal Suffrage Association of South Dakota

Room 9, Hills' Block, Huron, South Dakota, July 16, 1890.

### FRIENDS OF EQUAL SUFFRAGE:

Less than four months will elapse until the question of the enfranchisement of the women of South Dakota will be settled at the ballot box. We can settle the question rightly if we do our duty. The National workers headed by our Deborah, Susan B. Anthony, are with us, generously giving both time and money to our cause; but the burden of our work must be done by home talent. We wish to send our best speakers to every county and township in the state and put suffrage literature, weekly, into the hands of every voter, both native and foreign.

We wish to send German and Scandinavian speakers and literature where needed. We desire later in the campaign to hold tent meetings all over the state.

We can not do these things without money. Expenses have been cut down to the lowest possible limit. Friends contributing to the campaign fund, may rest assured that not a penny will be wasted. Our state treasury is empty. We therefore, ask every township club to contribute \$5.00 to the state fund. The workers all along the line are making noble sacrifices of time and money for our sacred cause, and now we look with confidence to local clubs for this help, well knowing that their loyalty to the cause will prompt them to make every reasonable sacrifice to carry forward the work.

Send all contributions to the state fund, to the Treasurer, Sarah A. Richards, Pukwana, or to the Secretary, Will. F. Bailey, Huron.

We urge you to keep up the meetings of your local clubs. Meet every week or every two weeks at the farthest. Carry on the campaign on the "Do-every-thing" policy, employing every honorable means to forward the cause. Call out your local speakers. Hold oratorical suffrage contests and send to the state superintendent of this department, Elizabeth M. Hammer, Highmore, for instructions in carrying out this great educator of public sentiment. Hold tagot parties, yellow tea parties, suffrage dinners and suppers, which will both agitate the question and replenish the treasury.

See that a report of every local meeting is well and truthfully written up for your county papers and all your meetings well advertised in all papers generous enough to give the space. Write at once to the state superintendent of press work, Elizabeth A. Wardall, Huron, for instructions in this important part of our work.

Every county President is expected to see that every township in his county is thoroughly organized.

Send to the Secretary at Huron for suffrage literature and song leaflets. They will be sent you free. Also send to the Secretary for information on any point or line of work.

Last but not least, SING suffrage to the people. Mr. J. H. DeVoe, of Huron, Chairman of the Committee, is compiling a suffrage song book which will be out about August 15th and will cost 10 cents. Let every club have a quartette of singers prepared to respond at every suffrage meeting. Drill the children in suffrage songs. Have THEM, as well as your quartette sing at every meeting.

Come to our state convention at Mitchell, August 25, 26, and counsel with us concerning the work that shall precede election. Our forces, both state and national, will be concentrated there at that time. It will be the opportunity of a life time for you, individually, to help plan and carry forward the grandest reform of the age. Come with your counsel and prayers and God will crown our labors with victory.

WILL F. BAILEY, Sec'y.

Huron, S. D.

PHILENA EVERETT JOHNSON, Pres.

Home address, Highmore, S. D.



of South Dakota -

Respectfully yours

Susan B. Anthony

Baron S. F. Jones

Dear Sir

It is impossible  
for me to comply with  
your request - I am  
here in the midst of  
the campaign - trying  
to <sup>to</sup> educate the rank  
& file of the men to vote  
for the Woman Suffrage  
Amendment on the 2<sup>nd</sup>  
of November next -

Can you not - will  
you not help on this work  
for justice to the women



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