

but denied them even hope of Heaven excepting thru their marital ties.

Christ in preaching the Fatherhood of God and the equality of His children struck the fetters from untold millions, but even some of his professed followers still cling to the ancient tradition of the superiority of the male.

In its 320 years, since the landing of the Pilgrim fathers at Plymouth, this country has outstripped all others, not alone because of its virgin soil, its untold minerals, and the invincible courage and initiative of its men, but because American men had the cooperation and companionship of American women, whose minds were as alert and ~~their~~ hearts as strong as theirs.

Books have been filled with stories of the heroism of American women. Their part ~~here~~ was hard, but they, too, breathed the air of freedom and saw visions and dreamed dreams.

Even here with all of our intellectual freedom, it took us years to grant to ~~women~~ women the equal right to vote and to