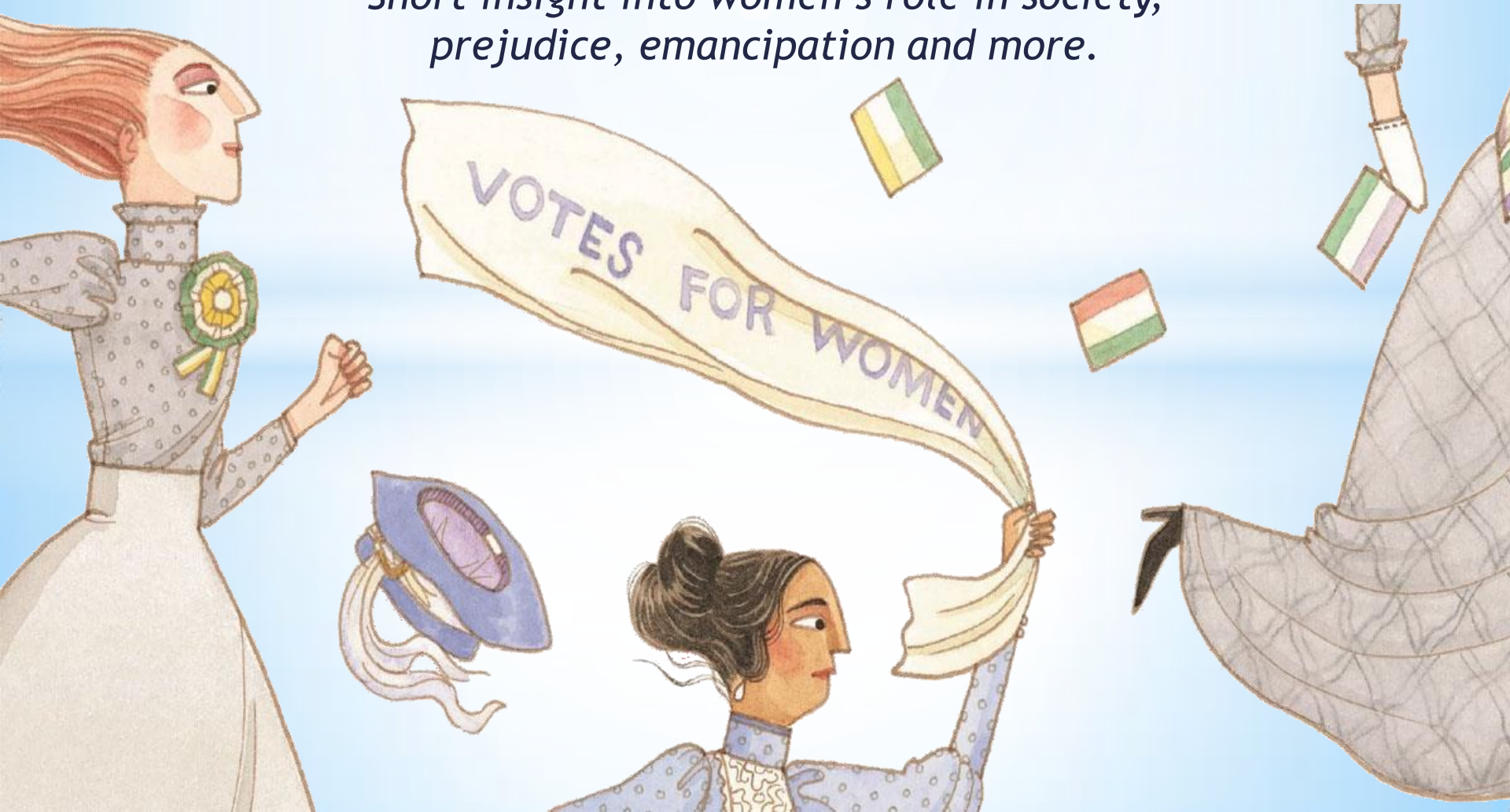


* THE RIGHTS OF WOMEN

Short insight into women's role in society, prejudice, emancipation and more.



You are used to
living in a world ,
where women have
practically access
to any occupation.

You can
even join
the army, if
you wish.

But it has not
always been so!



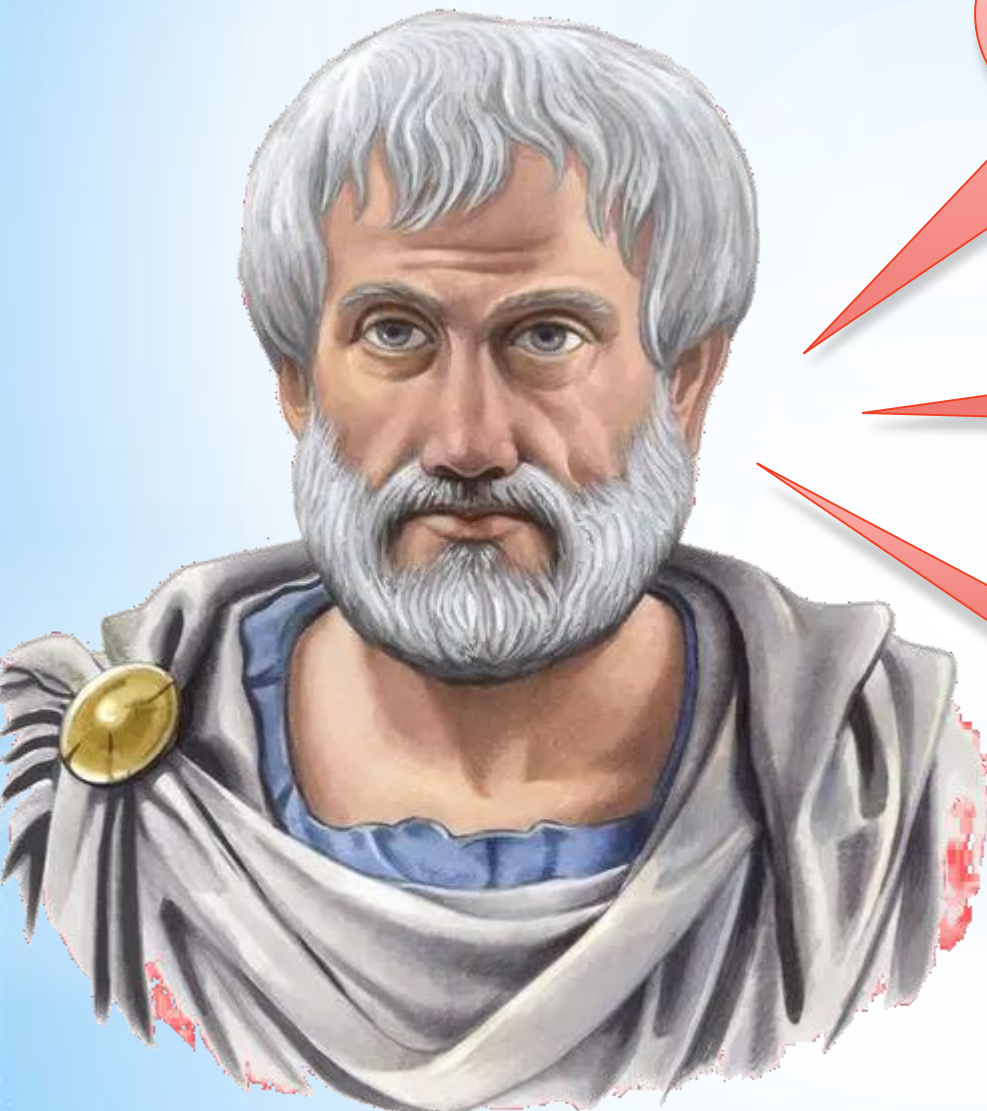
It has taken
centuries and
centuries to fight
the idea that
women were
somewhat.....

And you know
to whom are
we indebted
to this
prejudice?

.....inferior.

To this
man!





Aristotle

I don't care
about what
you think!

I firmly
believe, that
your world is
just a MESS!

A woman must
be guided by a
man. It is just
natural.

*The Chain of Being

According to
Aristotle
women were
«naturally»
inferior

Why?
Because
of this!



- Man's role is to tell a woman what to do.

WHY?

Because it is God's plan,

Hence

The Patriarchal vision of society is
NATURAL.

- That is why it was no scandal if men beat women.
- The Church eventually held the same view.





Women were supposed to be innocent and submissive....

...otherwise they would have been considered a threat.

Of course they had no access to the kind of education man could have. It was not necessary, since they had to look after the family.

"..any woman born with a great gift in the sixteenth century would certainly have gone crazed, shot herself, or ended her days in some lonely cottage outside the village, half witch, half wizard, feared and mocked at..."

"...a highly gifted girl who had tried to use her gift for poetry would have been so thwarted and hindered by other people, so tortured and pulled asunder by her own contrary instincts, that she must have lost her health and sanity to a certainty."



Virginia Woolf



Had Shakespeare had a sister as talented as he was, she would have never had the chance to express her talent.....


...or even develop it through intense studies.

Books and art were not for women, but there were a few exceptions...

I became
famous painter,
and I learnt just
watching my
father work!




Artemisia Gentileschi
1593 - 1656

A cartoon illustration of a woman with brown hair styled in an 18th-century fashion, adorned with a white flower. She is wearing a red dress with a yellow capelet and white lace cuffs. She is holding a small white card in her right hand. The background is a light blue sky with soft white clouds.

When we get to the 18th century the word «education» still meant something different whether you were born man or woman.

For a woman being «educated» meant to be accomplished, that is: dancing, drawing, embroidering, playing an instrument etc.. In short, whatever was believed necessary to be «emancipated»!

A cartoon illustration of a woman with brown hair styled in an updo with a small flower. She is wearing a red dress with a yellow capelet and white lace cuffs. She is holding a small white card in her right hand.

Well, even the word
«emancipation»
meant something
«slightly» different
at that time.

A woman's
emancipation
consisted in leaving
her own family to
marry.

All those
accomplishments were
meant to catch a
husband.

Women are not naturally inferior to men, but it appears to be so only because they lack education.

This is what I wrote in my «Vindication of the Rights of Woman» in 1792!

"I do not wish them [women] to have power over men; but over themselves." "My own sex, I hope, will excuse me, if I treat them like rational creatures, instead of flattering their fascinating graces, and viewing them as if they were in a state of perpetual childhood, unable to stand alone."



Mary Wollstonecraft 1759 - 1797

A cartoon-style illustration of a woman in 18th-century dress, including a blue gown with long sleeves and a large blue bonnet adorned with pink roses. She is carrying a large, decorated box in her left arm and a round, patterned basket in her right. The background is a light blue gradient.

Mary
Wollstonecraft
was right!

Women needed
to learn to
stand alone

Marriage was
but a «golden
cage»!

*MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY ACT 1870

ALLOWED MARRIED WOMEN TO BE LEGAL OWNER OF THE MONEY THEY EARNED AND TO INHERIT PROPERTY.

Before 1870, once married:

- Any money made by a woman became the property of the husband with the exception of the dowry.
- She had no legal custody of her children.
- Women were not recognized to be a separate legal being.
- A woman had no longer the right to do anything with her property even if it was still legally hers.
- She could no sue or divorce

Of course,
there were
exceptions.

Guess what ! I
am regarded as
the first
programmer!

A woman!!



Ada Lovelace

* ADA LOVELACE

- Her education was mostly focused on Mathematics and Science.
- She was introduced to British inventor Charles Babbage and became close colleagues.
- Ada studied and translated Babbage's work about the Analytical engine to the public.
- Included a method for calculating a sequence of Bernoulli numbers using the Analytical Engine
- Based on this work, Lovelace is now considered by many to be the first computer programmer.



Ada's «note G»: the first published computer algorithm

Diagram for the computation by the Engine of the Numbers of Bernoulli. See Note G. (page 722 of *sey*.)

Number of Operation.	Name of Operation.	Variables used upon.	Variables receiving results.	Indication of change in the value of any Variable.	Statement of Result.	Data											Result Variables.			
						Working Variables.											B_1	B_2	B_3	B_4
						V_1	V_2	V_3	V_4	V_5	V_6	V_7	V_8	V_9	V_{10}	V_{11}				
						1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11				
1	$\times V_1 \times V_2$	V_1, V_2	V_3	$V_3 = V_1 \times V_2$	$= 2 \times 1 = 2$	2														
2	$- V_1 - V_2$	V_1, V_2	V_4	$V_4 = V_1 - V_2$	$= 2 - 1 = 1$	1														
3	$+ V_2 + V_3$	V_2, V_3	V_5	$V_5 = V_2 + V_3$	$= 2 + 1 = 3$	3														
4	$+ V_3 + V_4$	V_3, V_4	V_6	$V_6 = V_3 + V_4$	$= 1 + 3 = 4$	4														
5	$+ V_4 + V_5$	V_4, V_5	V_7	$V_7 = V_4 + V_5$	$= 3 + 4 = 7$	7														
6	$- V_5 - V_6$	V_5, V_6	V_8	$V_8 = V_5 - V_6$	$= 7 - 4 = 3$	3														
7	$- V_6 - V_7$	V_6, V_7	V_9	$V_9 = V_6 - V_7$	$= 4 - 7 = -3$	-3														
8	$+ V_7 + V_8$	V_7, V_8	V_{10}	$V_{10} = V_7 + V_8$	$= 7 + 3 = 10$	10														
9	$+ V_8 + V_9$	V_8, V_9	V_{11}	$V_{11} = V_8 + V_9$	$= 3 + (-3) = 0$	0														
10	$\times V_{10} \times V_{11}$	V_{10}, V_{11}	V_{12}	$V_{12} = V_{10} \times V_{11}$	$= 10 \times 0 = 0$	0														
11	$+ V_{10} + V_{11}$	V_{10}, V_{11}	V_{13}	$V_{13} = V_{10} + V_{11}$	$= 10 + 0 = 10$	10														
12	$- V_{11} - V_{12}$	V_{11}, V_{12}	V_{14}	$V_{14} = V_{11} - V_{12}$	$= 0 - 0 = 0$	0														
13	$- V_{12} - V_{13}$	V_{12}, V_{13}	V_{15}	$V_{15} = V_{12} - V_{13}$	$= 0 - 10 = -10$	-10														
14	$+ V_{13} + V_{14}$	V_{13}, V_{14}	V_{16}	$V_{16} = V_{13} + V_{14}$	$= 10 + (-10) = 0$	0														
15	$+ V_{14} + V_{15}$	V_{14}, V_{15}	V_{17}	$V_{17} = V_{14} + V_{15}$	$= -10 + (-10) = -20$	-20														
16	$\times V_{15} \times V_{16}$	V_{15}, V_{16}	V_{18}	$V_{18} = V_{15} \times V_{16}$	$= -10 \times -20 = 200$	200														
17	$- V_{16} - V_{17}$	V_{16}, V_{17}	V_{19}	$V_{19} = V_{16} - V_{17}$	$= 0 - (-20) = 20$	20														
18	$+ V_{17} + V_{18}$	V_{17}, V_{18}	V_{20}	$V_{20} = V_{17} + V_{18}$	$= -20 + 200 = 180$	180														
19	$+ V_{18} + V_{19}$	V_{18}, V_{19}	V_{21}	$V_{21} = V_{18} + V_{19}$	$= 200 + 180 = 380$	380														
20	$- V_{19} - V_{20}$	V_{19}, V_{20}	V_{22}	$V_{22} = V_{19} - V_{20}$	$= 20 - 380 = -360$	-360														
21	$\times V_{20} \times V_{21}$	V_{20}, V_{21}	V_{23}	$V_{23} = V_{20} \times V_{21}$	$= 180 \times 380 = 68400$	68400														
22	$+ V_{20} + V_{21}$	V_{20}, V_{21}	V_{24}	$V_{24} = V_{20} + V_{21}$	$= 180 + 380 = 560$	560														
23	$- V_{21} - V_{22}$	V_{21}, V_{22}	V_{25}	$V_{25} = V_{21} - V_{22}$	$= 380 - (-360) = 740$	740														

Here follows a repetition of Operations thirteen to twenty-three.

24	$+ V_{13} + V_{14}$	V_{13}, V_{14}	V_{26}	$V_{26} = V_{13} + V_{14}$	$= 10 + 0 = 10$	10														
25	$+ V_{15} + V_{16}$	V_{15}, V_{16}	V_{27}	$V_{27} = V_{15} + V_{16}$	$= -10 + 0 = -10$	-10														
26	$+ V_{17} + V_{18}$	V_{17}, V_{18}	V_{28}	$V_{28} = V_{17} + V_{18}$	$= -20 + 200 = 180$	180														
27	$+ V_{19} + V_{20}$	V_{19}, V_{20}	V_{29}	$V_{29} = V_{19} + V_{20}$	$= 20 + 180 = 200$	200														
28	$+ V_{21} + V_{22}$	V_{21}, V_{22}	V_{30}	$V_{30} = V_{21} + V_{22}$	$= 380 + (-360) = 20$	20														
29	$+ V_{23} + V_{24}$	V_{23}, V_{24}	V_{31}	$V_{31} = V_{23} + V_{24}$	$= 68400 + 560 = 68960$	68960														
30	$+ V_{25} + V_{26}$	V_{25}, V_{26}	V_{32}	$V_{32} = V_{25} + V_{26}$	$= 740 + 10 = 750$	750														
31	$+ V_{27} + V_{28}$	V_{27}, V_{28}	V_{33}	$V_{33} = V_{27} + V_{28}$	$= -10 + 180 = 170$	170														
32	$+ V_{29} + V_{30}$	V_{29}, V_{30}	V_{34}	$V_{34} = V_{29} + V_{30}$	$= 200 + 20 = 220$	220														
33	$+ V_{31} + V_{32}$	V_{31}, V_{32}	V_{35}	$V_{35} = V_{31} + V_{32}$	$= 68960 + 750 = 69710$	69710														
34	$+ V_{33} + V_{34}$	V_{33}, V_{34}	V_{36}	$V_{36} = V_{33} + V_{34}$	$= 170 + 220 = 390$	390														
35	$+ V_{35} + V_{36}$	V_{35}, V_{36}	V_{37}	$V_{37} = V_{35} + V_{36}$	$= 69710 + 390 = 70100$	70100														

*OUTCOMES

- Ada's work with Babbage and the old analytic machine were rediscovered by Alan Turing
- The U.S. Department of Defence named its high-order computer programming language "Ada" in her honour.
- Every second Tuesday of October, Ada Lovelace Day is celebrated to honour women in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.



At the dawn of the
20th century we
were now ready to
fight for our
rights

During WW1
women had
replaced men
at work!

So they had
learnt to
enjoy the
power of
independence
and real
emancipation!



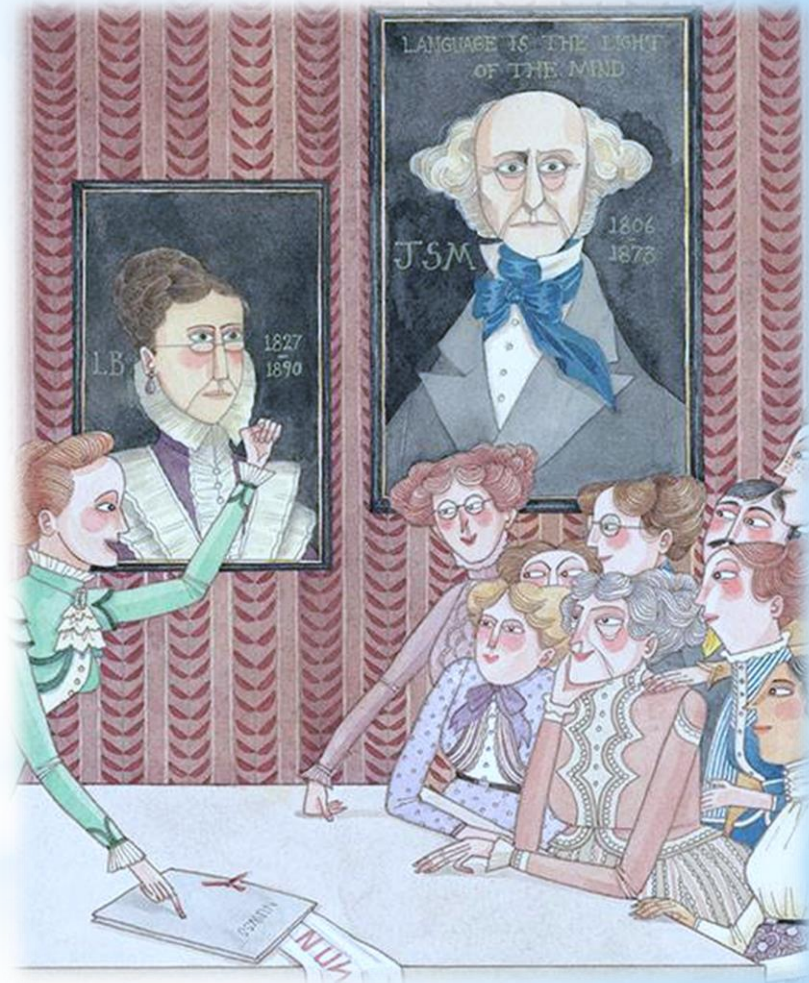


The Suffragettes

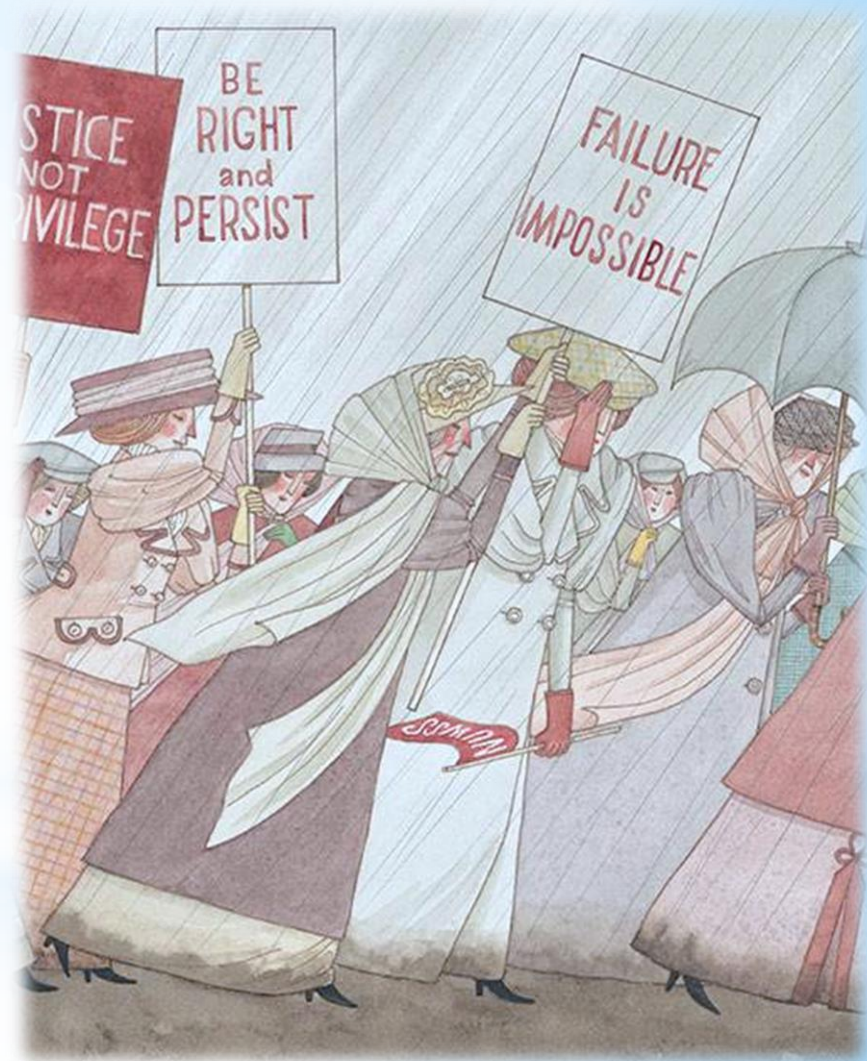
Millicent Garrett Fawcett

became an outstanding person in the campaign to win votes for women, and although she didn't much like public speaking (in fact it made her feel sick), **she gave many speeches, not only about votes for women, but also on education and the rights of working women.**

Millicent knew that if women gained the vote, it would be a stepping-stone towards changing many of the terrible ways they were being treated in the home and the workplace.'



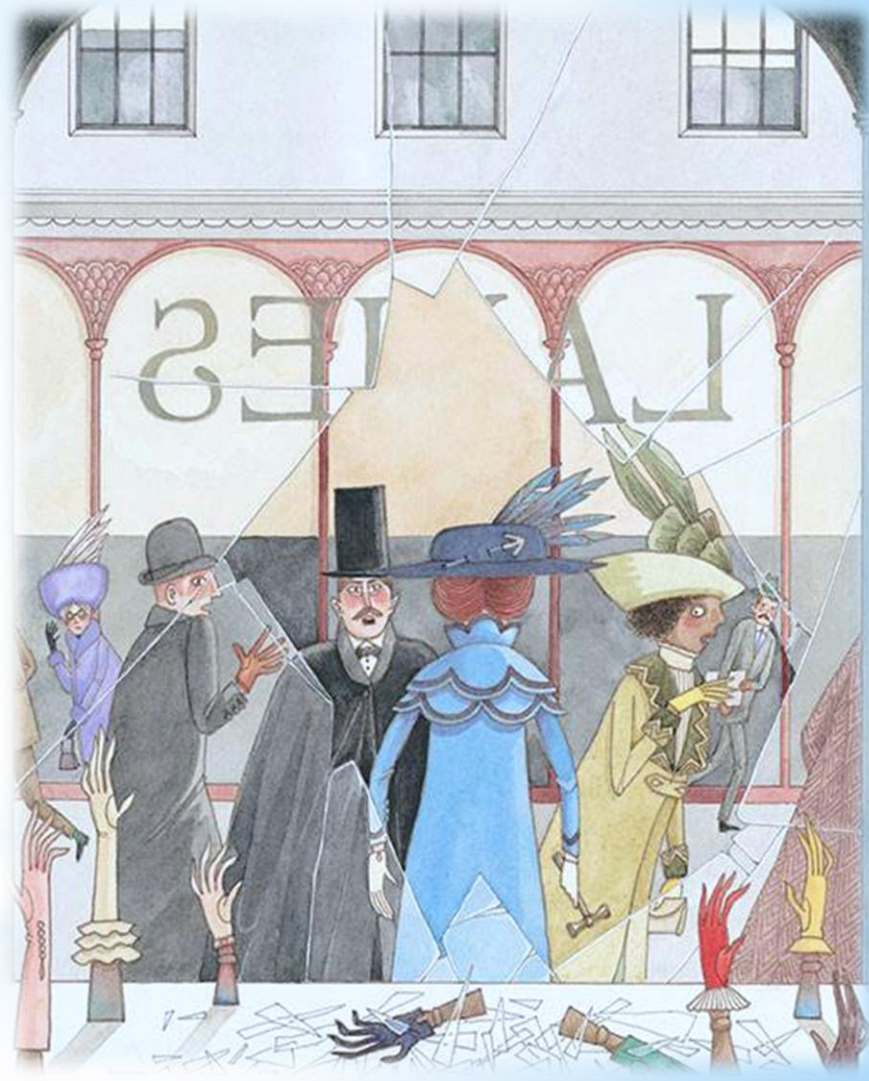
When the newspapers revealed the appalling conditions in which the match girls worked, the factory bosses tried to force the women to sign a statement saying the reports were nonsense and that in fact they were all having a lovely time at work. Some refused to sign, and when the leader of that group was sacked, **1,400 women and girls walked out on strike.** The strike lasted three weeks, but by the time the women returned to work, their demands for better working conditions were granted.'



'On 30 June 1908, two suffragettes, Mary Leigh and Edith New, went to Downing Street armed with stones. When they arrived at Number 10, they flung the stones at the windows, smashing and shattering the glass. Of course, **they were both arrested, and were sent to Holloway Prison for two months.** On their release from jail, Mary and Edith were treated as heroines by their fellow suffragettes, who met them at the prison gates and took them to a celebratory breakfast held in their honour.'



'On 1 March 1912 at precisely 5.30 in the afternoon, elegantly dressed ladies whipped out miniature toffee hammers from their muffs and handbags and proceeded to calmly smash shop windows in London. Up and down Oxford Street, Regent Street and the Strand came the piercing sound of metal hitting glass, followed by the angry shouts of shoppers and shopkeepers.'



When a large enough crowd had gathered to see what all the fuss was about, hundreds of 'Votes for Women' leaflets were let loose that fluttered down to the streets below.'





There are
no rights
with no
fight!

In England
women over
the age of 30
were allowed
to vote in
1918!

In France
in 1944
and in
Italy in
1946

Things
started to
change even
for what
concerns
education.

From that moment
on boys and girls
started to get
the same
educational offer.

And that was
truly a
radical
change!



The fact that you, boys and girls, are sitting in the same class together....

.. is the proof that you are now given the same chances, at last.

Think about how fortunate you are!



SUFFRAGISTS ON THE WAR PATH.



JUMP ON HIM,
HE IS ONLY A MERE MAN.