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WOMEN'S PENNY PAPER.

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ARGYLE CHAMBERS,

86, STRAND, W.C.

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Dear Madam,

We think you will be pleased to learn that far from having any "decided animus" against married women, we are so sensible of the importance of women securing their personal rights in order that they may use their political ones

that we intend publishing  
some articles on Coverture.  
With reference to the Bill  
before Parliament our attitude  
is this: - It is a measure  
wh<sup>ch</sup> has twice passed a  
second reading, it has the  
support of more than half  
the members of the House,  
it represents the principle  
that representation should  
accompany taxation, and  
it is a Bill which has a good

prospect of being carried.

We yield to none in our  
sympathy with the disability  
imposed on wives by the  
Common Law of England,  
and as we have intimated  
we are ready to work for  
its reform. Meanwhile, why  
retard another act of justice  
or refuse support to a measure  
(which until the greater reform  
is made cannot be more  
comprehensive) but which

will do more than any  
change has yet effected to  
raise the general status of  
womanhood?

We hope, on these considera-  
tions, you will allow us to  
send you our Paper at least  
until the end of the new quarter  
which is already begun. For in  
our efforts on behalf of all women  
(married or single) we value and  
are greatly encouraged by the  
support of one whose work and  
opinions we so much admire.

Yours very faithfully  
H. B. Temple & Co

Mrs Melburnham.

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