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May 15th, 1911.

Dear Miss Bompas,

Thank you for the handbills and cards. I shall try to use them all for the meeting on June 2nd.

I very much doubt whether the platform that you have secured is going to draw working women. George Lansbury is quite popular; Mrs. Fawcett is unknown to the working woman, so is Lady Frances Balfour. Whether Mr. Lansbury alone is sufficient remains to be seen, especially in view of the fact that he has been speaking so much of late, and there is not the attraction of novelty.

Do not think I am endeavouring to throw cold water: but it is better to look at these things dispassionately beforehand rather than to deplore them afterwards.

I shall try to use all the tickets, if I possibly can, that you have sent. I presume that, as before, you are prepared to pay fares, if need be? The 4d. or 6d. to a working woman often makes all the difference between the possibility of her coming to a meeting or staying away.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

*Bessie M. Stead*

AL/2811

15 RAVENSCOURT PARK MANSIONS,

W.

May 18.

Dear Madam,

I am afraid that as

most of our clerks belong  
to the W. S. P. U. they would  
not have time to do much  
for your meeting. If  
however you will send me