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PALL MALL GAZETTE
NORTHUMBERLAND STREET,
STRAND.

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Dear Madam

How can I thank you
sufficiently for your most convincing
letter in the Spectator which you can
imagine I am only too glad to
publish.

The kindness of good women fills me
with ever increasing gratitude & joy.
I never expected and am very far indeed
from deserving all the generous praise
so freely lavished upon me.

May I ask that my debt may be
made still greater?

I am entangled with the arrangements
for the Conference at St James Hall.

Is there any possibility that you could
be there to speak at the meeting at
night? On many grounds, some of which
must not be mentioned here or indeed
anywhere, I am most anxious that
you should present the woman's
suffrage side of the movement

incidentally, of course, but not less
prominently at the evening meeting.

I know how inconvenient it is to
interrupt a holiday. I can well
understand your reluctance to speak
at St James Hall. But if you do not
interrupt your holiday and will not
speak, the work will fall to some
one else who is not so well qualified
as yourself for the task. And just now
I think the work demands the best there is
to offer. Believe me to be yours most
gratefully
William J Stead