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When I left my children and started from home yesterday to attend the Meeting at the Park Lane I had not the slightest knowledge that Mrs Pankhurst would be present.

On coming out I saw the police all round & realized that she was to be arrested I was so struck with horror at the thought of such a magnificent woman being taken back to prison to be tortured under the cat & mouse act that I tried by my presence to support her to her carriage

~~The next day I was taken to the Police Station~~
But I absolutely deny that I in any way assailed the police, nor was I ever asked by the police, nor by any one else to move on. On the contrary, without any warning, a constable in uniform seized me by the right arm & violently twisted it I believe it was this constable who conducted me to the Police Station.

{ I did not smack the Constable in the face
it would be beneath my dignity to ~~do so~~
do so to anyone,

When charged I protested to the Inspector
that the charges were untrue & he remarked
that I must tell the magistrate. I must
therefore ask your Worship to see that
Justice is done & not to a woman
The government are trying to use the
Magnificent courage of Mrs Pankhurst
as a tool with which to murder her
I feel that any self respecting woman
could not have done less than take
her stand by her side.
The days of Martyrs are not over
and the government are piling
up faggot round her stake.
But she has lighted a fire in
England which can never be put
out.