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Dear Mrs Fawcett

We find, much to
our regret, that Mrs Taylor
intends to send in her resignation
of the Secretaryship of the Women's
Suffrage Society, I have tried
to persuade her to allow her
name to remain as at present,
Miss Biggs doing the work as
Assistant Secretary, but this she
calls a sham and wishes Miss
Biggs to be the nominal Secretary

in her place.

I have urged upon her all such objections as I could - saying that a Mrs is better than a Miss; that change should be avoided; that her name is a good one; but all she will promise is that if the Committee wish her to remain she will consent to do so.

It seems to me so good an arrangement that the Society should have the advantage of Mrs Taylor's name, even if she cannot do the work, and so very much to be deprecated that it should be

exchanged for that of Miss Biggs that I venture to beg you if you look at it in the same light, to use your influence in the Committee to prevent the change, and induce Mrs Taylor to remain nominally Secretary.

The reasons for this are the stronger because as I understand Miss Biggs is a very desirable Secretary for the real work, another Mrs can hardly be asked to take Mrs Taylor's place, as would otherwise have

seemed the best plan, if the
Committee think, as we do, that
it is best for the London Committee
to have a Mrs Secretary; and
Miss Biggs herself, I am told,
is both willing and desirous to
remain on the present footing,

With Mr Mill's best regards to
yourself and Mr Fawcett, I am

Yours very sincerely

Helen Taylor