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Lady Somerset's "The cause"?

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To the Editor of "The Transcript".

~~Dear~~,  
sir,

I notice that one of your correspondents has done me the honor to suggest that the large attendance of women at the State House on the occasion of the recent suffrage hearing was due not to a desire on the part of the women to obtain the suffrage but rather to curiosity to see a foreigner. Your correspondent does not desire to vote her-self and therefore perhaps the wish that such should be their motive is father to the thought.

I returned this morning, however, from Augusta, Maine, where the same hearing had just been held. I was not present, but learned from those who were that the House was thronged with women and that three hundred gathered from all parts of the State marched two by two along the streets of the city. Many could not obtain admittance. To what would your correspondent attribute this enthusiasm? Not to their desire to hear a speaker from another land; hardly to their anxiety to see each other. How would she explain it?

Yours truly,

Lady Somerset

~~The Abbotsford, February 1, 1895.~~

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