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Dear Miss Strachey

It was so nice seeing
you on Friday.

With reference to your
sister-in-law's book
"The Cause" published by
Bell for 1928

Miss Strachey says on page
377 that according to
Councils opinion in 1902
the Royal Society could not
elect women under their
present Charter; but in

1922 Council reversed
their decision thus Ayrton
was elected.

I don't know the exact date
when women were allowed
to be Fellows of the Royal
Society but as I mentioned
to you I am nearly certain
it was long after 1922 &
that Mrs Ayrton was never
an F.R.S.

I should be most interested
to hear the outcome of your
enquiries.

With all good wishes from
my husband & myself

yours affec.

Sibyl Hutton

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Royal Society + Admission of Women

This letter is from Mrs. Hutton
~~W. Hutton~~ (née Schuster) whose
husband is an F.R.S. + was
Professor (of Chemistry I think)
at Cambridge + was
the originator of A.S.L.I.B.
He convened a week-end
conference at which this was
founded, appearing as far
as I recollect, to
represent interests concerned
with non-ferrous metals.

It was here that I
made ~~their~~ acquaintance
with ~~the~~ Dr. + Mrs. ~~R.~~ In
later years she has been
active in the N. C. W.

P. S.