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Adel. Sunday.

Dearest Millie

Thank you so very
much for your letter. I think
it is so very kind of you
to have written it to me.

- I hope to be - I intend
to be - at the next Ex:
Committee to ^{to all of them} come up [^] till
Christmas any how.

I quite see that to surmount
a Special Council now,

would be a mistake -

indeed I do realise that
just now is a most
difficult time -

I think it so very good
of you to say what you do
about the meeting & what
you will say - the idea of
a "compact".

But I would never really
never, be disloyal to
any course of action you have

down - at the meeting
I will say nothing that will
be of a disloyal nature -
I will do just what you
wish Millie -

Please say all that you
think - all you write to me,
about Germany, I shant
look tiresome - I shant
feel "hostile" dear Millie -
that's not the word - I shd.
So hate to think my
presence made you say anything
but what you wish to say -

I will not speak about
working women ^{schemes during war} ^{unemployment}
I was writing reports to the
fact that ⁱⁿ more of the
countries fighting have women
votes & yet women suffer
from war - ought to have their
opinions consulted: but that
our movement being international
& democratic, we are the
future hope of the world -
wh: can only be saved
from future wars by these
2 agencies - would far rather

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I didn't say that?
Well I've kindly said he
a p.c. to S. L. Hyde
Park Mansions. To say
if you think such a thing
would be unseemly. I
will just stick to ^{our work} ~~un-~~employment
- I feel others know more
of it than I do - for I have
have been engaged in a ~~social~~
stupid struggle with our City
Council - to have women on
their Committee - we have won.

I hate Prussianism
as heartily as you do -
I long for it to go -

But I do not think
that war ever destroyed
war - ^{real} salvation can only
come
^
to people nations from within.

But I do thank you
so much for your letter
Millie - I know you
will understand, if
I ever feel I must take

some other line than
what you approve - I ~~will~~
shall only do it because
I must - not because of
any other reason - I
will always tell you
ask you, first.

Please please say all
you were going to say
quite regardless of me -
I shall understand - I only
wish I could feel as you do -
very much love from your
loving J. O. Ford.