

Elizabeth Freeman is one of that group of brilliant and devoted women who in England have made the question of the Enfranchisement of women a vital issue for the English Government; to whom Woman Suffrage is a cause as well worth devotion, sacrifice and suffering, as ever was, to early Abolitionists, the freedom of the negro.

During her six years labor for Votes for Women in England, Miss Freeman has done very able work as organizer; she it was who planned and organized the foreign and American sections of the great Suffrage parades, but it is as a speaker that she is best known, having spoken with great success not only in England and Scotland, but in Germany and Holland.

As a speaker, Miss Freeman has rare gifts—sincerity, eloquence, a simple directness that goes at once to the heart of the issue, and that passionate belief in the righteousness of the cause which is the source of all true eloquence,

—*The American Monthly Review of Reviews.*

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She returned to America in September 1911, to work with the Woman Suffrage Party of New York and we have secured the privilege of arranging a limited number of engagements for her.

Her services are offered for lectures on Woman Suffrage, and she will be glad to speak on any phase of the question that the committee engaging her would like to have emphasized. As Miss Freeman can be spared from her work for only a few engagements, early application is suggested to those desiring to secure her.

A few days after Miss Freeman arrived from England she was invited to speak at the Fashion Show in Convention Hall, Buffalo, (September 29th, 1911.) The papers gave liberal space to a report of her speech from which the following are taken:

And then, after the brilliant exploitation of fickle fashion, a slip of a blonde young woman—sweet faced, eyes alight with the fires of resolution and consecration to a cause—came upon the stage. She had power and personality.

—*The Buffalo Courier, Sept. 30, 1911.*

“My she does not look a bit militant!”

The murmur went around Convention Hall last night as a slight, pretty woman of girlish figure appeared on the platform. Those who had come to hear Miss Elizabeth Freeman and had come early enough for the fashion parade, and those who had come to marvel at the beauty of the display of gowns and models and remained,

caught by Mrs. Springstead's introduction of a speaker who suffered the tortures of an English jail, grouped themselves together to listen.

And as she told of the conditions in England, and explained about her return to her home country, after an absence of six years of service in the militant suffrage movement, she seemed far removed from the Elizabeth Freeman whose speeches have been widely noted and who is known for one incarceration of a month and seven arrests for the cause of women.

The few months vacation abroad, which lengthened into the years, when she became interested in suffrage, have taught her much of affairs in England. Now she is identified as organizer with the Woman Suffrage party in New York City, led by Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, international suffrage president, and already has conducted several open-air meetings in this country since her return a fortnight ago.

—*Buffalo Express, Sept. 30, 1911.*