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Mrs. Martha McClellan Brown, Pres.,
cincinnati Harriet Taylor Upton Club,
Norwood, Ohio.

Dear Mrs. Brown:

As you know, the Toledo W. S. A. offered some months ago, to furnish headquarters for the use of the state, an offer which was gratefully accepted, and I extend to you herewith, most cordial greetings from the new State Headquarters.

We opened our new rooms February first with appropriate exercises. The state officers had been invited to be present, but several sent their regrets on account of the pressure of other business, and a letter from Mrs. Upton to this effect was read at the meeting. However, our vice-president, Mrs. Olds was able to be with us and gave a stirring address. Mrs. Sarah E. Bissell, for many years corresponding secretary of the Toledo W. S. A. presented, in a neat little speech, the keys of the new rooms to the state president, who accepted them on behalf of the state with expressions of thanks and appreciation for the generosity of the Toledo society, at the same time taking the opportunity to outline the work before us, which is a campaign of education for the purpose of arousing the men and women of the state to a greater sense of their responsibilities.

It is in regard to this work that I wish to address myself to you today, offering such suggestions as you may be able to carry out in your own city.

We are asking our Suffrage clubs to get in touch with other clubs for the purpose of securing an opportunity to present to them the coming constitutional convention, and to secure their co-operation in the way of endorsements and contributions to the campaign fund.

This may readily be done with a little energy and tact, as Suffrage has come to be such a live topic that no club woman can afford to remain in ignorance of the question whether she agrees with it or not. I am sending you some of our new leaflets, which will help you in outlining the constitutional convention to others.

I would also urge upon you to take the Woman's Journal. It has been reduced to $1.00 a year and contains so much important information that no good suffragist can afford to be without it.

Please let me hear from you in the near future, whether you have been able to carry out the above plan.

Wishing you all the success possible, I am

Yours for "ohio the Sixth",

Pauline P. Steinem

P.S. /H.