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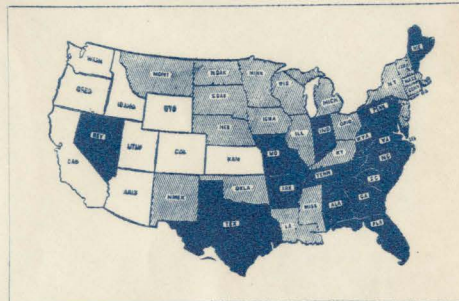
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October 16th 1913.

Mrs. M. McClellan Brown,
818 Hutchins Avenue,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dear Madam:-

There is no possible way to give you an accurate answer to your enquiry of October 13th. as to the number of women who are listed for the movement conducted by the National American Woman Suffrage Association. The best we can offer is a very general approximation.

The reports of membership are very inadequate because the local associations, that is the city and down associations, do not send in frequent or accurate reports of their members to the State Associations and, therefore, the State Associations have not exact data to turn over to us here at National Headquarters. The best estimate we could make is that the National Suffrage organization has about 250,000 individual members. But, if you are trying to get out the number of women in the United States who stand for equal suffrage the figure goes up tremendously. In the first place there are nearly four million women voters already and, aside from them there are perhaps three million other women who definitely stand for suffrage. This is estimated from the reported memberships of the various organizations which have endorsed equal suffrage, that is the National Council of Women, the W.C.T.U., the women of the Grange, the Maccabees, the Socialist women, the women of certain of the State Federations, etc.

If you quote this office as furnishing you with these approximate figures, will you please be sure that you emphasize the fact that they are approximations.

Very truly yours,

Mary Ware Dennett
Corresponding Secretary.

MWD/JC.