In July 1848 in company with my father I attended the first Women's Rights Convention at Seneca Falls, that was ever held, as far as I have any knowledge. There was quite a large assembly of intelligent & noted people present; that seemed deeply interested in the movement. Many suitable resolutions were resolved & adopted. Many interesting addresses & short speeches were made. The Convention was held two days with James S. Mott of Philadelphia as Chairman. The first day women only were speakers, the second day men also took part in the deliberations. The meeting
was deeply interesting throughout the Convention. Many fine speakers being present, among them Lucretia Mott of Philadelphia, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Frederick Douglass, Thomas M. Clingston, and many others, who took a deep interest in the meeting.

Good results have followed this first suffrageist gathering. The seed fell on good ground. But the end is not yet. We will not be until women can claim what rightfully belongs to them. The time is not for dis
tant when this will be accom
planted. The world progresses not backwards but forwards.

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