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Dear Mr. Buxton,

I read with much interest your account of the Keightley Ye. Action in the Nation. It is impossible to me to suppose a liberal party which is part of a coalition which uses the sort of atrocious posters you describe. But I do not know [if there is any prospect of any other coalition being formed, which people like myself (and thousands of other new women voters) could support - people who may not be prepared at the moment to swallow the Shide J.L.P. programme, but who yet want to protest against

the methods - deary policy of
the Government coalition.]

I still count myself a liberal
not an out: & out: Socialist, so
I don't know if I could join
the S.L.P. as many of my
friends among liberal women
have done. But equally it's
quite impossible to outrun the
official liberal party - and one
feels this more & more strongly,
especially after the revelations
about the Austrian peace overtures
in 1917. 97?

I should not write you with
this personal affair, but that
I think there are an enormous
number of 'liberal women' who
are in the same position as my-
self - namely they do not
wish actually to abandon the
name & ideals of liberalism or
to label themselves as 'Labour'
voters, & yet they ~~are~~ are antagonised
by the supine attitude of the
present liberal party.

Yours sincerely
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