

LUCY STONE DAY OBSERVED BY 1,000

**Suffragists Erect Tablet to the
Memory of Pioneer Fighter
for Votes for Women.**

GATHER IN EAST ORANGE

**In 150 Automobiles, Visit House
Sold in 1858 Because She
Would Pay No Taxes.**

Lucy Stone Day was observed by more than a thousand suffragists yesterday at East Orange, N. J., where a bronze tablet was unveiled on the little house in which Lucy Stone lived and which was sold, with its furniture, fifty-seven years ago for the taxes she refused to pay, because taxation without representation was tyranny.

Lucy Stone was born in 1818, and was the first woman in Massachusetts to take a college degree. She was graduated from Oberlin College in 1847. She headed the call for the first National Woman's Rights Convention, held at Worcester, Mass., in October, 1850. About five years later she married Henry B. Blackwell and made a home in Orange. It was here in 1858 that her household goods were sold to pay taxes, and when the sale was over, with Alice Stone Blackwell, one year old, on her lap, she wrote her burning protest.

The visiting suffragists met at pilgrimage headquarters, the old Hawkesworth mansion, a Colonial house with huge white pillars, set on a green lawn, studded with towering horse chestnuts. Here they found ice cream and coffee at prices calculated to swell the fund for suffrage, and then proceeded in 150 automobiles to the little house where Lucy Stone had lived and written and where she held her little daughter, Alice Stone Blackwell, on her knee as she wrote in behalf of votes for women.

Many Sections Represented.

The units of the parade came from widely different sections. Dr. Anna Howard Shaw made her debut in the new yellow suffrage car, presented to her at 10 o'clock yesterday morning at 505 Fifth Avenue by the National Woman Suffrage Association. There were no ceremonies, but a crowd had gathered about the gaily decorated car and was so insistent that Dr. Shaw finally made a brief speech. Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt came down from the Empire State Campaign Committee rooms to inspect the new car and to congratulate Dr. Shaw, and then the car started for Orange.

Miss Edna V. O'Brien of Tarrytown was the chauffeur. She, together with Miss Amie Hutchinson, were the chief instruments in raising the funds for this new car, named the Eastern Victory II., and also for the original little Eastern Victory that was sold in Pennsylvania for the non-payment of taxes and bought in by suffragists and again presented to Dr. Shaw. The new car seats five and bears the owner's monogram.

A number of other autos went from New York. All were gayly decorated. The New York delegation included Mrs. Charles T. McCutcheon, Mrs. Katherine Walker, the Misses Portia Willis, Lucy Anthony, Eleanor Ewing, Rose Bower, and Mrs. Norman Marsh and Mrs. H. A. Grant of Tarrytown.

The procession also included an old-time "bus" of huge proportions from Middlesex County and several sight-seeing cars, one quite filled with golden-rod, and all of the cars carried more or less floral adornment in the suffrage color.

That part of Orange in which Lucy Stone made her former home is now the Italian quarter of East Orange, and the house itself is occupied by Matthew Masi, an Italian druggist, and his garden is kept as near as possible the same as it was in former years. The druggist and his wife, and the three children, all in white, did all they possibly could to make the suffragists welcome.

Tablet Unveiled by Her Daughter.

Alice Stone Blackwell unveiled the tablet to her mother's memory, but said her voice was not fitted for outdoor speaking and that she could best prove herself intelligent enough to vote by refraining from a speech. The tablet bore the following inscription:

In 1858, Lucy Stone, a noble pioneer in the emancipation of women, here first protested against their taxation without representation in New Jersey.

It was erected by the New Jersey Woman Suffrage Association.

Dr. Shaw told how her grandmother, an Englishwoman, refused to pay tithes to the English church near her because she was not a member of it, and how year after year small pieces of her property were sold to pay the tithes. Turning to Miss Blackwell, she said:

"It was on this very sloop that your mother rocked you in the cradle that was sold for taxes."

Ex-Governor John Franklin Fort also made an address. He was the only male speaker, and he said woman suffrage was a matter of necessity as well as of justice, and also that the burden of proof was on the shoulders of the "antis."

Mrs. Feickert of Plainfield announced that President Wilson had promised her he would declare himself on woman suffrage before the New Jersey elections on Oct. 19.

After the unveiling exercises and speechmaking were over the suffragists returned to the headquarters at 5 o'clock, where Mayor David Standish of Glen Ridge made an address. The cars then went on through the Oranges, Bloomfield, Montclair, and Glen Ridge to Newark, where, in Military Park, a public meeting was held and where some of the women took occasion to criticize James Nugent, the Democratic leader, for his stand against woman suffrage.

TAFT GOES WEST TODAY.

**At McAlpin Ex-President Talks of
His New Grandson.**

Ex-President William Howard Taft arrived in New York from Montreal yesterday afternoon and is staying at the Hotel McAlpin. At dinner on the roof last night, Mr. Taft told of his vacation of seven weeks just completed at Murray Bay, Canada, and of his contemplated trip West which starts at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Mr. Taft received a letter from his son, Robert Taft at Bar Harbor, Me., telling that the ex-President's grandson, born at Bar Harbor last Saturday, had been named William Howard, and that the parents were in doubt as to whether the boy should be called "Junior" or "Third," in view of the fact that the ex-President has a nephew named after him, who is called "William Howard II."

"That's a point that will have to be decided later," said Prof. Taft, "and although I am a doctor of laws, I am not prepared to make the decision off-hand."

Mr. Taft will stop first at Rockville, Ind., then go to St. Louis for a two days' stay, speaking before the Chamber of Commerce at luncheon. In Salt Lake City he will address the American Bar Association. He will then continue on to San Francisco, and as President of the Unitarian Conference, will address their convention. He will also speak before the Red Cross Conference there.

On Sept. 9 he will address the American Bankers' Association at Seattle. On Sept. 18 he will sail on the steamship Kronland from San Francisco, returning by way of the Panama Canal and reaching New York about Oct. 5.