At a meeting of the Women's Suffrage League, held last evening, Mrs. Hattie, in the course of an address, pointed out that the great reason why women would like to get the suffrage was because they would be able to alleviate the condition of women workers, and to give them a better chance in the battle of life than they had at present. Men were not so likely to move in this direction as women, partly because their sympathies were not so keen and partly because there were so many who shared the spoils derived from underpaying their women workers.

"It might be said," she remarked, "that men are underpaid as well as women, but in reply to that it could be truthfully said that whereas men it is the exception with women it is the rule. It is known that there are great numbers of women and girls working in Sydney for mere pittance—no, they cannot call them wages—and even some of the largest firms have no regard for making provision of the simplest kind for their comfort or conveniences. The condition under which they work, the low rates of wages and general surroundings cannot do either to health or morality. And yet this class of women is very valuable to the State, for it is the large one from which thousands of the wives and mothers of the people are drawn.

Women's Suffrage and Women Workers.