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Tenafly N.J. Dec 16th

Dear Cousin G.

We are to hold our seventh annual convention in Washington Jan 14th, 15th Susan arrived here last evening from Wash where she has been making the arrangements. We are now writing letters in all directions for speakers, letters, and contributions. We want a good letter from you, some money to help defray the expenses of the

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of the convention, which with Hall, Hotels, posters and advertisements are always very heavy in Washington. But we always have packed houses and very enthusiastic meetings there. Whenever you give \$10,000 to institutions for boys, I hope you will set aside an equal sum for the education, elevation, and enfranchisement, of woman. Civilization halts to day for the development of the

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feminine element in human nature.

With our wonderful material and intellectual conquests, the moral does not keep pace, because there is no recognition of woman; - who in her higher development would represent the moral, spiritual, aesthetic Our religion and government is essentially masculine hence violence, force, war, in every walk of life, and the only remedy for the many

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and varied evils of society is the education of the feminine element. We have no real women, the vast majority are simply reflections of men. We are trained after their ideas, modes and manners, to echo their opinions, and accept unquestioned their conclusions. The most discouraging feature of this reform is the ignorance of women as to their own degradation. But you see and appreciate all of this, and I do hope

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Like [bassus and sage] you will do something for the women of this republic and [by way] of preparation for a greater work. do send us \$50 or 100 for the coming con.

Affectionately your cousin Elizabeth Cady Stanton.

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Send what you can get for the convention to Mrs. Ellen C. Sargent
No 308 H. Street N.W.
Washington
D.C.

She is our treasurer. A very honorable honest woman, x we would like
Cousin G's to come to the convention beginning thus, Enclosed find
check for \$100

x wife of the California Senator