

Mrs. G. Monroe to Governor John Martin

Mrs. G. Monroe, of Topeka, Kansas, writes Governor John Martin, also of Topeka, requesting he veto a bill that would give women equal suffrage in municipal elections. Monroe claims women do not want additional rights and suggests that women should not participate in political affairs. The author claims to speak for thousands of women, and states that [white] women do not want to vote with women of other races. Women in Kansas appear to have overwhelmingly supported the bill and Governor Martin did sign it. Women did not achieve full suffrage in Kansas until 1912. As this letter demonstrates, many people considered women's suffrage in light of issues of race, immigration, and prohibition. See Frances Elizabeth Willard to Governor John Martin, March 13, 1888.

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To Gov Martin

Dear Sir

Ten thousand
Woman who have enough rights
without voting - and also plenty
to do, too attend to their own affairs
without meddelling with mens
business, ask you to Veto this
Suffrage bill - we dont want
to vote, and go too the polls with
niggars - and all kinds of woman

Mrs G Monroe
and thousands of others



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Against-Woman Suff. *Shaw,*
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From *Mrs G. Monroe,*
Place *Topeka,*
Date *Feb. 11*
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ABSTRACT.
*Against-woman
suffrage.*