

# Many Will Hear Mrs. Hale Speak

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Actress Maxine Elliott

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Coming to the Normal to Dis-  
cuss Woman Suffrage.

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Who is Well Known to Theatre-  
goers—Comes Here Next Tuesday  
Evening

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Beatrice Forbes-Robertson was an actress and now she is a lecturer on woman suffrage and other things. She is a sister of Maxine Elliott, also an actress. Everyone who reads dramatic news has read of her. But only a few know her as Mrs. Swinburne Hale know that she has a lovely home. It is the kind of a home which is pictured on the Christmas cards, with lights shining through the windows onto the

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snow, and diamond panes, and chintz curtains, and a hearth with a dog and a pussy-cat in the fire glow, and babies upstairs, and a happy husband in the offing, and a garden out back, and all the aroma of homeyness floating in the air. It is the sort of home that makes you want to howl like a dog on a moonlight night when you think of a boarding-house or a hotel, even one as attractive as the Pontiac.

The suffragists in Oswego, under whose auspices Mrs. Hale speaks, want people to know about this home and the two babies, as it all goes to prove that the woman who keeps her profession after marriage and lectures on votes for everyone does not necessarily do so at the expense of husband, home or babies. The Oswego anti-suffragists, if there are any, ought to take a look at Clemency and Rosemary, the two Hale babies, only four months old. One look at them proves they have not been neglected. Rosemary wears a pink pin and Clemency a blue one, just so that visitors can tell them apart, as they are both fat and rosy in similar manner. Mrs. Hale says she can tell their cries apart,

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Tickets for Beatrice Forbes-Robertson's lecture on the 14th are on sale at the Butler Pharmacy stores and at the Hennessey drug store, as well as by members of the Oswego Suffrage Club.



Beatrice Forbes-Robertson Hale  
What Women Want: an  
interpretation of the feminist  
movement;

page 227, New York,

Frederick A. Stokes Co., 1914.

<https://archive.org/details/whatwomenwantint00haleuoft>

The woman anti-suffragists of England and America are distinctly differing types, the results of widely diverging circumstances, and it is necessary to consider them separately in order to gauge the value or detriment of either to the cause of women.

In England the "antis" are less thorough than in America. The complete anti is as extinct as the dodo, but the American variety adheres more closely to type than does the English, for a reason which I shall shortly make clear. The complete anti would of course be she who turned her back upon all the advantages she enjoys by reason of the Feminist movement, and was content to return to the status of her great-grandmother, without higher education, married women's property acts, professions, clubs, political organizations, or cheque-books.

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### **Questions from the article:**

1. What two things can a healthy and intelligent woman do well?
2. Who made that statement?
3. Why did she make that statement?
4. Where will she lecture?
5. Where can tickets be purchased?
6. What organization sponsored her lecture?
7. Why were anti-suffragists mentioned?

### **Questions for further research and discussion:**

1. Who was Mrs. Hale?
2. Did she give any lectures prior to getting married and having children?
3. What brought her to Oswego?
4. Who were members of the Oswego Suffrage Club?
5. What activities were promoted by the Oswego Suffrage Club?
6. What other information can you discover about the Oswego Suffrage Club?