Until now, a woman fulfills an important role of different kinds, and of which she was a champion and a star, she also exerted a beneficial influence on a society with the power of her intellect and the force of her spirit. Women's rights were often recognized. Due to the contemporary system of democratic governance, her role on these pages of history was an extraordinary importance. Granting her the right to suffer by the leading peoples of Europe, their ratification by the American Federal Constitution, and individuals states which, one after another grant to the women the right to vote on an equal level with men, make her a great moral force, sometimes decisive, and impose certain obligations from which she is not allowed to evade.

A woman fought for these rights maintaining the sense her dignity and the needs of society, in the conviction that only the combination of physical strength, fortitude, unbending will along with the calming influence of the heart and affection, can produce a harmonious wholeness and relative perfection. From the ancient times to the present day, history has given us the names of great women from various spheres of life and professions.

In Poland, Wanda (in folk tales), who throws herself into the currents of the Vistula river to avoid a displeasing marriage, a victim of the cunning diplomats of the English army who floods the Polish lands with the English army and in flames in the city of Rouen on May 30th, 1431. Joan of Arc (counted among the sacred ones) is to this day an expression of unwavering faith, a symbol of the purest patriotism, chivalrous bravery and inborn courage. Scalpel and tears were marked, despite the fact that she could neither read nor write. Born in the small village of Domrem, gifted with a strong physical development, she learned by coincidence to ride brave horses that her own handwriting, by the splendor of supernatural bravery, by the swiftness of her mind, she mastered the art of fencing and other chivalry, using improvised wood weapons, so she was, in her plans, she was also a zealous advocate of the greatest. Men were her rivals, and at the end of her life the vanity of the world was overcome, she kept a modest number of 3,000 dresses in her wardrobe, as the tale claims.

Spain is represented in the person of Isabella Cattolica, known as the queen of Spain, because after setting various party disputes and the victorious war of the Moors, Spain became a powerful monarchy. Isabella held the court of the Spanish with her court of Christ, which was her name “Maid of Orleans.” The scattered Englishmen retreat and the city, hence her name “Maid of Orleans.”

In America, the work “Uncle Tom’s Cabin” by the eminent writer, Mrs. Harriet Beecher Stowe, became a coup by adapting the story of a slave against the slavery. In France, Armandine Lucie Dupin, known under the pseudonym George Sands, a friend of Fryderyk Chopin, an expert about science gave up the crown. In Sweden, the role played by women, good or bad, is very important. The measure of shame was completed by Tsarina Catherine II, of German origin, coming from the modest living conditions, being the daughter of a German prince. Mary Theresa, in the planned and mocked partition of Poland, which brought eternal shame to the infirm, devoted to Tsarina, king Stanislaus Poniatoowski, and plunged the country into a long-term slavery. This demonic role was played by two rulers (although completely different from each other) in the history of unhappy Poland at the end of the 18th century.

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succession on the basis of heredity. The measure of shame was completed by Tsarina Catherine II, of German origin; coming from the modest living conditions, having ascended the throne of All Russia, she adopted the careless manners of the court without any restraint, she committed endless crimes, the greatest of which was her alliance with Frederick II, Mary Theresa, in the planned and mocked partition of Poland, which brought her eternal shame to the infirm, devoted to Tsarina, king Stanislaus Poniatowski, and plunged the country into a long-term slavery. This demonic role was played by two rulers (although completely different from each other) in the history of unhappy Poland at the end of the 18th century.

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The history will pass on to the next generation the names of these famous and unknown heroines. Fearless during the hail of bullets, unwavering among the marauding epidemics, they went bravely in the name of God and the Motherland to bring an aid and rescue their dying brothers. Today, the white eagle has spread its wings over the liberated and emerging Poland, let us pay tribute to the fighting warriors and martyrs for the cause of freedom, and humbly honor from the bottom of our hearts those, who sacrificed their lives in carrying out the most glorious deed. They raised a woman's dignity by showing her bravery and resilience in moments of determination. They paved the way for their successors to the dignified Seym of the Republic of Poland, so that they, with a prudent voice, contribute to the building of the future Polish state. Today they ask: a Polish woman, who grew up in the free forests of American soil and live here, what have you done and what are you doing? What will you show in the presence of your troubled Motherland, in the presence of the ominous news about mothers and babies dying from hunger, about terrible diseases caused by exhaustion, about tuberculosis, the destructive germs that threaten the next generations in the future of Poland? Let us ask ourselves in the secret of our hearts, whether everything possible has been done, or whether we gave what was due out of the abundance of our earnings and situation. Let us not look back at the powerful and the wealthy, when the general self-sacrifice will flow again abundantly, softening the hard hearts, and selfishness will subside and will be awakened by the act of generous patriotism. Let us also fully use the rights given to us, whether at the ballot box or in political work.

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