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Why Men Shouldn't Vote, According To 1915 Suffragette Satire

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Who says women's rights activists don't have a sense of humor? Judging from this satirical piece from 1915, posted on Twitter [by iRevolt](#), suffragettes knew how to make a good joke.

Writer, poet, activist and general badass [Alice Duer Miller](#) outlines five (obviously tongue-in-cheek) reasons why men should not be afforded the right to vote. These reasons include the fact that "men are too emotional to vote" and "because a man's place is in the army." The piece was published in Duer Miller's 1915 book of satirical poetry, "[Are Women People?](#)" based off of her *New York Tribune* column.

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Why We Oppose Votes For Men

1.
Because man's place is in the army.
2.
Because no really manly man wants to settle any question otherwise than by fighting about it.
3.
Because if men should adopt peaceable methods women will no longer look up to them.
4.
Because men will lose their charm if they step put of their natural sphere and interest themselves in other matters than feats of arms, uniforms and drums.
5.
Because men are too emotional to vote. Their conduct at baseball games and political conventions shows this, while their innate tendency to appeal to force renders them particularly unfit for the task of government.

- Alice Duer Miller, 1915 [via iRevolt Twitter](#)

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