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The findings in this research indicated that the textbook excluded a lot of information regarding the Women's Suffrage Movement. The textbooks usually highlight men that don't support suffrage, however, they hardly highlight the issue that many women also didn't support suffrage. Before 1920, one-third of the women supported suffrage, one-third opposed suffrage and one-third were neutral.

The second finding is that more women were organized against suffrage than in favor until 1916. Many women didn't see the importance of voting and how it can benefit them. Textbooks also didn't state that was male supporters of women's suffrage, when in fact they were the main supporters in the suffrage campaigns. According to the article, Anti-suffragists in 1985 had a great influence in the polls, which results in no one voting in fifteen-seven towns.

The third finding indicated that men were more progressive on the issue than women were. According to the article, many textbooks stated that men were excluded from leadership roles in the National Woman Suffrage Association. Mr. Henry Blackwell and Thomas Wentworth Higginson were very active in suffrage.

This article made me think, just like many topics discussed in class, that important parts of our history are excluded from the textbook. Why were they excluded, I guess we will never know? It's very interesting and mind-opening with this article. I never knew that many women opposed the Women Suffrage Movement. In school, we were thought that men were opposed to suffrage and many women wanted the right to vote, when that wasn't true. Women were

homemakers, and their roles were to cook, clean, and take care of the kids. Voting would empower women and that would lead them to fail or not focus on their responsibilities of being a wife and mother.

As a woman, I believe that all women should have the right the vote, and I cannot believe that women were not united together as one. Many it's in their upbringing to think that by voting, maybe they will make them superior to their husband, and that be a sin.

I also think that many women opposed the suffrage movement because then that meant that black women would have the right to vote as well. Black women voting would create more problems for the white dominant racial group.

In figure 14, it made we angry to think that women believed that if women had the right to vote would make their husbands lose some important rights. It's disturbing to know that women didn't want to vote and be independent, didn't want to own real estate, and made important decisions. I cannot believe that they don't think that the laws in 1915 didn't discriminate against women, they thought it was just.

I'm happy that the woman suffrage took place, and the movement was more powerful than the Antis. It paved the way for me to have an education, a good-paying job that makes me support my family, and the freedom to be part of the democracy by voting. I would like to show the Anti that women are powerful as women, and we should empower each other.