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President, Ladies & ~~Gentlemen~~, it has given me the pleasure to accept the invitation to come and speak to you today on any subject of such importance and which is very great indeed.

You have established an Organisation which I personally consider very much important, taking into account the aims and objects of your organisation I come to the conclusion that no aspect is more important to the African people themselves than their educational, ~~and~~ cultural and developments as a race, and <sup>a</sup> as people are only great when they rise higher than their material wants: and the greatness of a race can be measured only by its ~~sex~~ educational and spiritual advancement. You should strive to get the basic ~~minimum~~ <sup>minimum.</sup> of your bodily requirements: but you must ~~not~~ <sup>not</sup> stop here; you must not neglect to aspire to higher things. You have mind and soul, and it is your duty to cultivate them otherwise you will get weeds in them, weedy brains is an unhealthy and dangerous thing.

I say again that I realise that the highest quality in Women can be developed only after ~~the~~ her material wants have been satisfied.

The struggle for existence ~~is~~ <sup>out-</sup> is hard, and almost every other consideration for a time; but you ever remain the hewers of wood and the drawers of water if you do not make some effort to advance to higher things. Woman has a mind, woman has a soul, and they must not be neglected. Culture is not a monopoly of any race or creed There is no chosen race of intellectual giants. All races can attain to it, and no race is denied ~~the~~ its blessing. In the Bible a Book that should be read over for its wisdom alone, A certain race considered itself a chosen race, but Christ soon dispelled such a Nation when He said "Think not to say to yourselves we have Abraham to our father, for I say unto you ~~God~~ <sup>God</sup> is able of its stones to raise up children unto Abraham" Which means from the most unlikely, the most insignificant, the most backward people, God can choose his servants, and God can choose His way to carry out his work and to further his plans.

Culture is nothing more or less than the development of ~~my~~ beauty-beauty in all things.

All things bright are beautiful, all things both great and small and beauty is ~~is~~ still beauty even though it ~~is~~ it is found beneath ~~the~~ black skins. The skin is superficial, but the mind and the soul is Human itself. The diamond may be found in the mud, but it sparkles all the same.

You need training, development, you need culture some education, a little discipline, some education some spiritual knowledge-then and only ~~then~~ will you become useful and as precious to your race and community as a ~~rough~~ diamond. Knowledge is power and by so doing you shall ~~be~~ <sup>be</sup> become an asset to your <sup>peo</sup>ple; be helpful ~~your~~ to others of your race. Let your light so shine before them that they may share your treasures, that you may impart to them something of your knowledge.

I wish to warn you that a little knowledge is a dangerous thing.

Any woman who thinks she knows and does not really know and make use of ~~that~~ tiny knowledge may do her and her race a great deal of harm, a mighty injury to her people.

No Nation will ever advance without the assistance of its women-folks. The beauty of the Race lies ~~with~~ in the hands of its women-folks; also the culture, advancement and Christianity. The road is long ~~and~~ the road is hard and difficult; But remember Rome was not built ~~in~~ a day. Have patience equip yourself -ves for your duties, acquire information, seek more knowledge, for knowledge alone is power and supplies the key that will unlock all your problems.

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"Shall I say seek ye first the Kingdom of Heaven, the Kingdom of intelligence and righteousness and all things will be added unto you."

*Handwritten signature:* President Location Advisory Boards, Natal, Organising Secretary Location Advisory Boards, Congress, South Africa.

As women leaders you can uplift and help your nation by moving about, visiting kraals and other residences and teach your people such things as :-

- (a) Hygienic principles, good habits and general conduct.
- (b) To work on the principles of economy. & commerce.
- (c) To advocate the training of nurses and first Aidt Students, particularly, for the aid of clinic operations to combat V.D. & T.B. within ~~xxxxx~~ the ~~active~~ Population.

~~(d)xxxx~~ ~~(d)xx~~ Finally (d) To teach parents such methods as to bringup their children into the life of honesty, truthfulness, loyalty and respect.

Summary

From good mothers, we have noble men, women and people who have devoted their minds for the future interest of their country :- from bad mothers, we have criminals, habitual criminals and irresponsible peoples.

Have self - respect, advise others and gossip less about the deeds of other peoples

Out of a woman came men and women of <sup>all</sup> qualities, therefore, it is the duty of a woman to bring a nation into being as well as to rack the whole beauty and pride of the said nation.

God promised His children of Israel the next salvation which was to come to them through a Good Woman Who was to be the Mother of ~~the~~ Messieiah

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In conclusion, I wish you all a good time success in all your deliberations and a prosperous New Year.

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