



Frederick Douglass On Womens Rights

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Da Capo Press. Paperback. Book Condition: New. Paperback. 190 pages. Dimensions: 8.3in. x 5.4in. x 0.6in. In their long, continuing struggle for equality, American women have had to rely primarily on their own resources, which have been considerable. Yet many men have helped advance their cause. Perhaps foremost among them was the great abolitionist Frederick Douglass. According to the women of the time, Douglass was their preeminent male supporter. As Elizabeth Cady Stanton said, He was the only man I ever saw who understood the degradation of the disfranchisement of women. This book collects the speeches and writings of Frederick Douglass on womens rights. Since suffrage was the major concern of the movement, the issue of voting was primary among Douglasss themes; however, he also spoke and wrote resolutely on the need for women to reach their full potential by participating in every phase of American society and in every aspect of decision-making. No one was more insistent that the oppression of women violated the principles proclaimed at the birth of the American Republic. He was, in short, in favor of absolute justice and perfect equality for women. And because of his pride in his own race, he never failed to...



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