

## WOMEN AT THE BAR.

According to the interpretation placed on the existing law by our Maryland courts women cannot be admitted to the bar in this State, and if they are to be relieved of this discrimination the Legislature must come to their aid. This is the purpose of the bill now pending before the General Assembly, and it is a measure which appeals strongly to the general sense of fair play. There is no valid ground on which women should be excluded from the bar, and any opposition that still exists to their admission is the result of antiquated notions. Other States are far in advance of Maryland in this respect, and the Legislature should see to it that this reproach is wiped out. Women have the same right as men to make a living, and it is unjust to shut them out from any legitimate field of effort. They practice medicine in Maryland, and there is no reason why they should not practice law if they desire to do so. The Legislature should open the courts to them and give them a chance to show what they can do. Doubtless they will give a good account of themselves.