

Student Essay on Lucretia Mott

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Essay

Lucretia Mott was a woman born on January 3, 1793 who contributed her life to abolition of slavery and women's rights. She married James Mott 1811. She was involved in the abolitionist movement in the US before the Civil war and found two anti-slavery groups. Both her and her husband were active in the American Anti Slavery Society.

In 1840, Mott and her friend, Elizabeth Stanton, traveled to London as delegates to the World Anti Slavery Convention. They both were furious when they were refused permission to speak at the meeting. Stanton said at the meeting: "We resolved to hold a convention as soon as we returned home, and form a society to advocate the rights of women." That infuriated Mott and drove her to fight harder for women's rights.

Mott and Stanton didn't organize the Women's Rights Convention at Seneca Falls until 1848. Stanton's resolution that it was "the duty of the women of this country to secure to themselves the sacred right to the elective franchise" was passed. This became the main idea of their campaign for the next few years. Lucretia Mott remained active in the women's rights movements until she died in Abington on 11th November, 1880.