

Module 02: Should Women Vote? The Politics of Suffrage

Evidence 21: "The Suspect" From *Punch*, February 12, 1909



Introduction

The following cartoon responded to the series of arrests carried out by the police during the peak of the militant campaign. Many of those arrested were middle- and upper-class women, and some were middle aged.

Questions to Consider

- What is the point of placing an elderly woman in front of the four police officers? Is she the suspect?
- What is the crime?

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Caption:
The Suspect.

Source:
"The Suspect," *Punch*, 144 (12 Feb 1909):124.