

VICTIMISATION OF WOMEN

“MY BRILLIANT CAREER”

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Abstract

Women were being victimized by domestic, public, psychologically and physically by the society, and the women were ill-treated by their husband and their family members in Indian families. Women are victimized all over the world. The Indian constitution gave equal rights to women under the law of Indian government. The crimes were increased against women because of the lack of security. Education plays an important role for women but in this novel they couldn't give the education to the girl child at the right time and they gave much important to male child only. Because of the lack of education girl child is not aware of society. The cause of victimization of women in India is the Male dominance. Each year lot of women dies because of domestic violence. The women were victimization in rural areas is found more than in urban areas.

About the author Stella Maria Sarah Miles Franklin

Stella Maria Sarah Miles Franklin was known as Miles Franklin. She was born on 14 October 1879 in Talbingo, New South Wales and she was died on 19 September 1954 at the age of 74 in Drummoyne, New South Wales. She was died because of Coronary Occlusion. She was an Australian writer and a feminist who was best known for her novel *My Brilliant Career*. It was published by Black woods of Edinburgh in 1901.

Introduction

Miles Franklin was the famous feminist writer of the novel **MY BRILLIANT CAREER**, Miles Franklin draws out of her values and experience. In this novel the author reveals the pathetic life of young Australian girl Sybylla Penelope melvyn, portrayed her as a person in the man's world and her struggle with her drunken father. Whose life was with ups and downs, and she suffered a lot to live and lead her life.

The novel focuses on the three phases of women

- Strive for quality between men and women
- Independent personality
- Self fulfilment

The education plays a vital role in the lives of women. But in the novel, as she was a young girl she dropped her schoolings, because of their financial problem her Ma said that instead of going to school, she could do all the household work. Sybylla become upset because of her mother is not sending her to school Though she was born to a wealthy person; she faced lots of struggles in her life, even from her childhood days. Parents should be the supporters of their children. But in this novel, Sybylla said that “Parents have a duty to children greater than children to parents.” (MBC 204) When she was in young age she was more passionate about her life, but she was controlled by her parents. Her father's carelessness so that his business got in to loss,

so their family struggled a lot led their life. Her father got many amount overdue, but he is not able to repay the money on that interest, so their family was in trouble to live a life. Her father paid the interest on that money to the Bishop's agent but he cheated him. But literally they were economically poor and her father being the head of the family, he must take care of the family. But he didn't care for the family. Her mother decided to sent her daughters to her relatives home, because she is women, she is not able to take care of the whole family, So Sybylla's Mother said that, "I will have to give the little ones to some of the relative; the bigger ones will have to go out to service." (MBC 25) Sybylla felt hard to break the monotony of her life. At very young age she leaves her family and she went to her grandmother house to spend her Life at Caddagat, because of their financial hardships. If Sybylla had been educated, she would have lead a peaceful life. Since Sybylla was sent to work and she was longing for the love from her childhood, so she went there to find some happiness in her grandmother home but she was much depressed because of Frank Hawden her suitor who had misbehaved towards her and she refused the love proposal. Her Aunt was spoiling her name in the name of matrimony, and her grandmother arranged her for some suitors but she refused to get marry and she suffered a lot in her life. Everyone had a dream about their life, like wise here Sybylla too had a dream about her life; she has sacrificed her dream for her family.

Ambivalent attitude towards her life

At her age, the young girls were mostly interested in the outside world and they are always busy with their friends and they spend more time with their boyfriends, but Sybylla, had no friends, because she was always engaged with her work. Sybylla lives her life only for her parents, and the girls at young age, had a thought to live a luxurious life and they search for a perfect husband, but Sybylla doesn't had that thought of searching her life partner, due to her family burden she couldn't think of this, her mother was much depressed about her husband, who couldn't take part in their family, and she said that her husband is an irresponsible husband and father. Marriage is a platform for girls but here Sybylla doesn't think about her marriage, her only destiny is her family.

In the present society, parents should give more important to their girl children. And they need to take care of the girl child. Because the girl child, mostly sexually abused in their work place and even they may be given some mental torture also. But in the novel, their parents couldn't think about their girl child, because their objective is about to repay the debt on that money. So her parents they decided to send Sybylla to work as a governess to whom her father owes money. Here the parents even they don't care for their children, their only need are money, and because "Money makes many things". Sybylla was a girl whose life was very pitiful, because her whole life was spent only for the sake of her family, also she was uninterestedly sent to work because of her mother's will. The novel conveys that, how the young girl suffered a lot in her life. Her mother is her world and wisdom, so she obeys to her mother's words. Her father borrowed money from the people who were rich, but they lost their stations because they had heavy debts. So they had repay the debts to all except Mr.M'Swat. For that her parents they need to repay the debts to whom they bought, but instead of that, they decided send their daughter Sybylla to work as governess to Mr.M'Swat's family. Sybylla said that, she was not interested to go to Barney's gap to work as governess. Though she was young girl she might not be to go to her neighbor's home, but finally she accepted to go there to spend her life, by her parent's compulsion. But she felt sad to leave possungully and her grandmother, because to whom she brought up but she had no other way, instead of her family members she is the one who need to take care of the family.

In the place where she was send for work, her life was gone into some misery. Why because there she met with some other problem, she was forced by her master to get marry his son. But she refused to his words because she gone there to repay the debts only, but she was disturbed by them and she became upset. In the present society, the girls were ill-treated by their masters to whom they were working under, but they couldn't reveal the truth to anyone, because they went to work for their wages only. Likewise Sybylla she couldn't reveal the truth to her parents. As she was elder than them, they were teasing her in a badly manner. But she remained silent there, because she has to go there for work. As she was in the lack of starvation, she couldn't open her mouth to anyone. She wrote a letter to her mother but she couldn't reveal the truth to her mother, that she was ill-treated and she tell her mother, Grannie, and Aunt, that she was not interested to led her life. Though they were women, they know about the sufferings of women in the work place, but they couldn't understand her feelings and emotions, and this situation is like a very pathetic situation, because she had no one to save her and she was the only support to her family.

Feel sympathy about her life

In the case of the novel, she had to overcome all the troubles and pain, and she leads her life in a pathetic way. And she was humiliated in many places by various kinds of people in different character. Sybylla was victimized by the work place, and also that she was a girl, who had no support even from her family. For every adult girl, their mother will be the moral support. But in the case of Sybylla, she never tasted the fruitful taste of the love of her mother. So she missed the love of her mother.

Sybylla was much depressed about her life; during that night she was lack of sleep. So that she came away from home in order listens some music, which was wrongly noticed by M'Swat. If the girls came away from home, during night time for a ramble walk, Mr.M'Swat thought that, she had a lover, This is what the society's thoughts of young girls. After Sybylla getting bad name from him. She felt very bad, to be alone in Barney's gap, and no one can accompany her, and there she felt lonely.

Sybylla's life was full of struggles between the marriage and Career. At last Sybylla was in the deep miserable about her life, and she was been over thinking about her family and she became ill. After that Mr.M'Swat decided to send her back to her parents. She sacrifices marriage for career. The parents they need to guide their children in the right path but here. Even though she was matured and attained the age of marriage, she needs a man as her life partner. She was in love with man called Harold but she misunderstood that her sister was in love with him. Finally she sacrificed her love for her own sister. Her desires never fulfil by her parents. Throughout the novel, she lives a life with the lack of interest.

Ideal roles in society

In the novel My Career goes bung, was written by same author Miles Career. In this novel, Sybylla though she was young girl she helped her father in politics, at her age no one knows even what the meaning of politics is? But she stood for her father. Her father had invested a lot of money in politics, but he was cheated by his companions. After that they lost their possessions and they became poor, because of his carelessness he lost everything. As a woman, her mother went to work and took care of her family and she felt very bad about her husband because husband who has take care of the family but he failed to do that, because of those incidents in her life made her to think, that marriage that both need to balance their family and they must manage the situation together. But in the case of Sybylla's mother it was totally opposite. These kinds of incidents and situation gave her a bad opinion about marriage. When she was a young girl, she was interested in music, art, and readings books. She thought to write some articles about autobiography, and her Pa said you are girl so you are not supposed to write articles, if you were a boy I would have been allowed you to write such articles, her mother also opposed. She wrote an article which was published in the magazines without her knowledge they published the articles in magazines by the greatest Australian author. After that she came to know that the article was published, she was frightened. On the other side she was very happy about publishing. After that she began to burn her articles, because if her parents knew about these things definitely they will scold her, before that her parents noticed that. And they asked her about the magazines but she couldn't open her mouth. But in the present society if the children wrote articles, the family members they gave them supports to write such articles. But in the case of Sybylla she felt very sad because she had no liberty to write articles such articles about her own life.

Conclusion

In her village, the people had a bad impact on her; because she wrote about her own life and the sufferings which she had faced in at "Possumgully". Though she was writing articles, but she couldn't get any reputation for writing. There she lacks a peace in her life, so she feels distress about her work and also her family. The people in their village they started to speak bad about her, and they attacked her Pa by their words. The village people complained about Sybylla's works with her mother, but her mother also knows about her so she won't give any reply to villagers. After all the commotions, she left possumgully, to continue her work in fashionable Sydney. But in Sydney also the people were hurted her for her writings. As a girl, she wants harmony in her life but wherever she went, she was insulted by the people. In Sydney the people were living the high standard of lives when it compared to Possumgully. In the present society, there are many feminist writers but according to this novel author's opinion was he opposed the feminist writing in this novel. But now-a-days the feminist writers play an important role in the society. The people in sydney, they lived luxurious lives. She was ashamed

upon herself, because she lives such a life which was full of emptiness. Even she couldn't have a proper dress to wear; it shows how she led her life in such a way.

Sybylla says that her life was full of problem and no one can understand her feeling. The people of Sydney they were also talked bad about her writings, but she didn't bother about it, and she concentrated on her writings and she wrote many articles, and she was forced to marry a man, who was in love with her, but she refused to marry him, she had a career in her life. As she was a girl she overcome all the struggles in her life and tried to live a better life which she could live, it was possible only through her dreams and not in reality. Since the parents know the value of education, once they are educated, they May able to face society and are independent in various disciplines.

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