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● WOMEN IN VICTORIAN ERA :-

The status of women in the Victorian era was often seen as an illustration of the striking discrepancy between the United Kingdom's national power and wealth and what many, then and now, consider its appalling social conditions. During the era symbolized by the reign of British monarch Queen Victoria, women did not have the right to vote, sue or own property. At the same time women participated in the paid work-force in increasing numbers following the Industrial Revolution. Feminist ideas spread among the educated middle classes, discriminatory laws were repealed and the women's suffrage movement gained momentum in the last years of the Victorian era.

In the Victorian era, women were seen by the middle classes at least, as belonging to the domestic sphere, and this stereotype required them to provide their husbands with a clean home, to put food on the table and to raise their children.

women's rights were extremely limited in this ~~era~~ era, losing ownership of their wages, all of their physical property, excluding land property, and all other cash they generated once married. When a Victorian man and woman married, the rights of women were legally given over to her spouse. Under the law the married couple became one entity represented by the husband, placing him in control of all property, earning and money. In addition to losing money and material goods to their husbands, Victorian wives became property to their husbands, giving them rights to what their bodies produced: children, sex and domestic labor. Their mutual matrimonial consent therefore became a contract to give herself to her husband as he desired.

The rights and privileges of Victorian women were limited and both single and married women had to live with hardships and disadvantages. ~~When~~ Victorian women were disadvantaged both financially and sexually enduring inequalities within their marriages and society. There were sharp distinctions between men's and women's rights during this era; men were allotted more stability in finance and society than women.