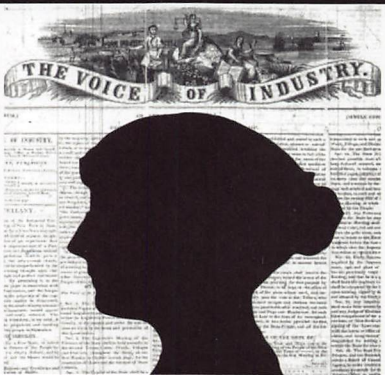


Lowell National Historical Park

Women Working for Change



Sarah Bagley
1806-1889

SARAH BAGLEY

Sarah Bagley became a weaver in Lowell in 1837. Within a few years, Bagley began protesting unfair labor practices and worked with other women to form the Lowell Female Labor Reform Association. Testifying before the state legislature in 1845, Bagley advocated for a shorter work day. As editor of the newspaper *Voice of Industry*, Bagley promoted women's and workers' rights. Bagley later became the nation's first female telegraph operator.

What is a cause that you care about?

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