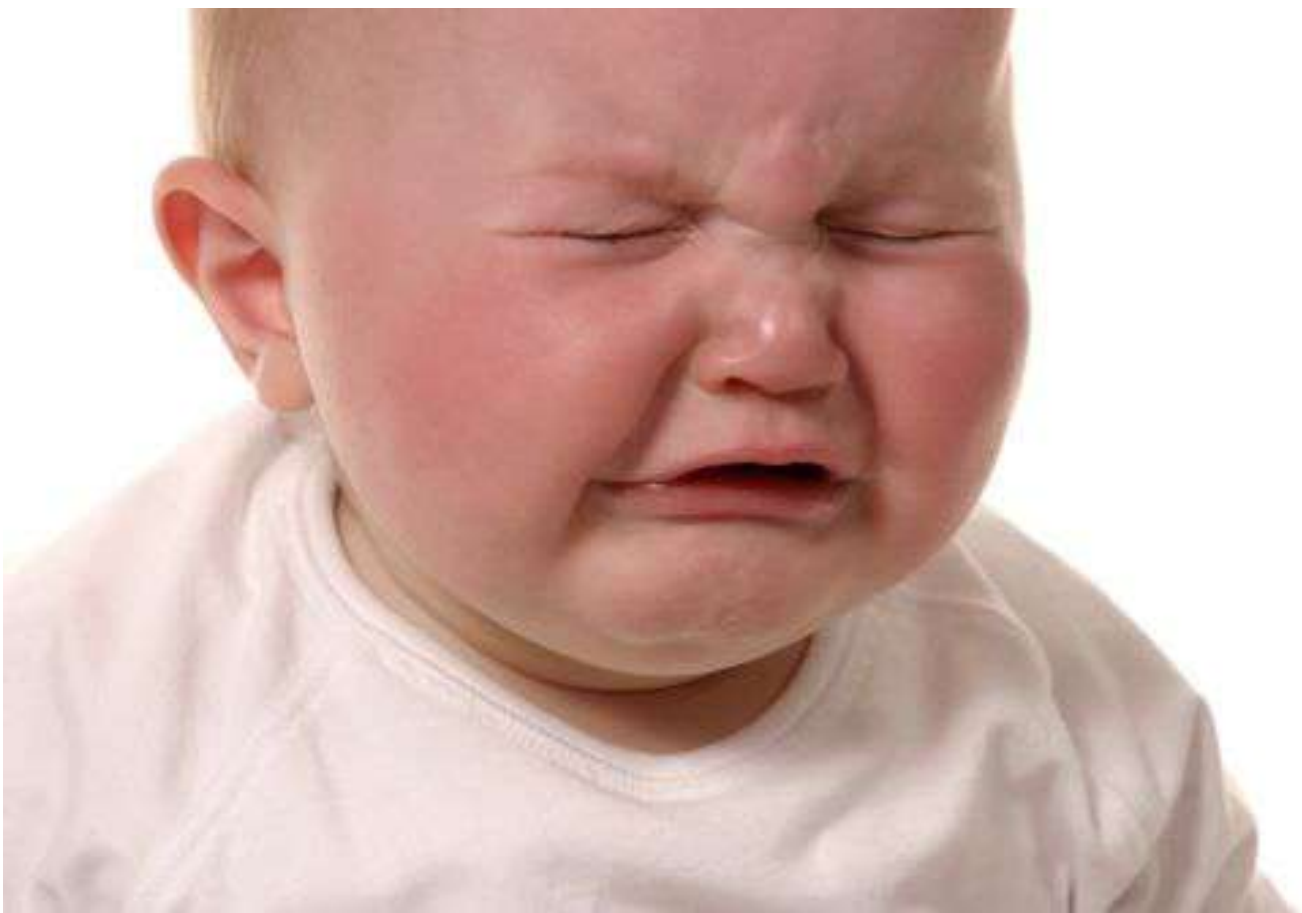


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Have you noticed the more liberties some people are given, the more they take? Let’s start with Charlotte Proudman; she was in the news recently banging on about some guy complimenting her photograph. Purely on account of that, she was given space by that favourite of the Islington set the *Guardian* to **spout off** about *sexism* in the law. Lord Justice Sumption had made some **very sensible comments** about women and the legal profession, with particular reference to the bar and the bench. According to Proudman this constitutes institutional *sexism*. This chimera is an extension of the dishonest semantics pioneered by the race lobby. What it implies is that if there is not a proportional representation of women, blacks (or whoever) in a particular profession at a specific level, this can only be the result of some form of discrimination, be it deliberate, *unintentional* or even *unconscious*. What are we to make of this?



Charlotte Proudman

Let us take something micro, the town of Pinner in North West London is the birthplace of three famous songwriters: **Charlie Dore** – the least famous; composer Tony Hatch; and by far the most famous, **Elton John**. How many towns with a population of less than 20,000 can boast this? How did it come about? Was there perhaps a sinister conspiracy to promote these three people above other, undiscovered songwriters?

Undoubtedly all three had luck as well as talent; Elton's luck is well-documented, in particular how he met Bernie Taupin, but so is his talent, ditto the other two. Now let's talk about professions. How many women aspire to become sewage engineers, or sewer cleaners? Very, very few. Women don't like getting their hands dirty, nor do many men. The reality is that the sexes, races, nationalities, ages...are distributed differently across the professions. Probably half the small retail outlets in Britain are owned by Asians. That being the case, is it that surprising there should be so few of them working in say farming? Even Trevor Phillips has **acknowledged this reality**, but those of a certain political persuasion will continue to spout selective statistics whenever they seek to further their agenda while ignoring those that don't support it.

If there are so few women at the very top of the legal profession, that is because the vast majority of them either can't hack it or don't want to, but what is she really complaining about? If and when she takes silk, she will be earning more than a High Court judge anyway. Isn't that the bottom line?

In view of her incessant whining, it should come as no surprise that Miss Proudman is a fan of Yvette Cooper, who looks forward to serving under Jeremy Corbyn in a future Labour Government. If she wants to know what that will feel like, she should ask Diane Abbott who was apparently **under Mr Corbyn** thirty years ago without ill effects.



Yvette Cooper

Like Miss Proudman, Yvette Cooper's latest whine is also about the chimera of *sexism*; she calls for a crackdown on the on-line form lest it discourage women from joining the Labour Party. Does the Labour Party or any party really need fainting couch feminists in its ranks? What Miss Cooper is really calling for is censorship, and that should be a no-no, even if she does call it a **commission on women and technology**. If you can't stand the heat, go back into the kitchen and leave running the world to men like your husband, Ed Balls. But is it true that women are put off politics by *sexism*? There may not be as many at the national level as Miss Cooper would like, but at local level they are far from scarce. Currently, Ealing Council in London has 69 councillors, 23 of them women, while at the other end of the country, in Newcastle which elected its first woman councillor in 1919, there are 25 women out of 60. Is that really so unrepresentative?

This brings us to another self-styled feminist, Maryam Namazie, one who has been hoist by her own petard, because while normally feminists seek to ban all opinions they don't like, Miss Namazie has been banned from talking at the ultra-politically correct Warwick Student Union due to her views on Islam. As you might have guessed, she was born a Moslem, and apostates being the worst bigots, she has been taking pot shots at Islam and other religions for many years.



Maryam Namazie

While most feminists don't like men staring at their breasts, currently she has a couple of photographs on her blog that make it difficult not to stare at hers. Be warned, this is not a pretty site. So what does she say about religion?

“Islam, like all religions, despises women” – hmm, what was that about sweeping generalisations and stereotyping? One is entitled is she has even heard of Catholicism and the cult of the Virgin Mary, but does Islam despise women, really? Here is [one view](#).

Another of her rants concerns what she calls gender segregation at a public event held at University College London. According [to her](#):

“Gender segregation reinforces negative views about women, undermines their right to participate in public life on equal terms with men and disproportionately impedes women from ethnic and religious minorities, whose rights to education and gender equality are already imperilled.”

Does it really? It might also protect men from [demented females](#) who thirty years and more down the line claim to have been groped at some event or other. Keeping the guys and gals separate might make it a shade more difficult to believe the “victim” on those occasions. Even *sexism* has its good points.

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