**Strengthened Democracy:**

**Abolition**

* Can petition, protest, and organize to appeal one’s opinion
* Attracted members of all race, sex, and color
* had some victories (list)

**Women’s Rights**

* Intermingled with abolitionist movement
* Different opinions encouraged debate
* Encouraged education, which would increase democracy

**Weakened Democracy:**

**Abolition**

* Resorting to violence in order to get point across
* Racism and discrimination within movement itself
* Hated by the public, attacked - resistance to change to tradition - Gag Rule

**Women’s Rights**

* Tradition set in stone, suffrage will take a VERY long time
* Cult of Domesticity, coverture - inhibited women from public speaking
* Split - many women opposed reform and most knew only the role of mother