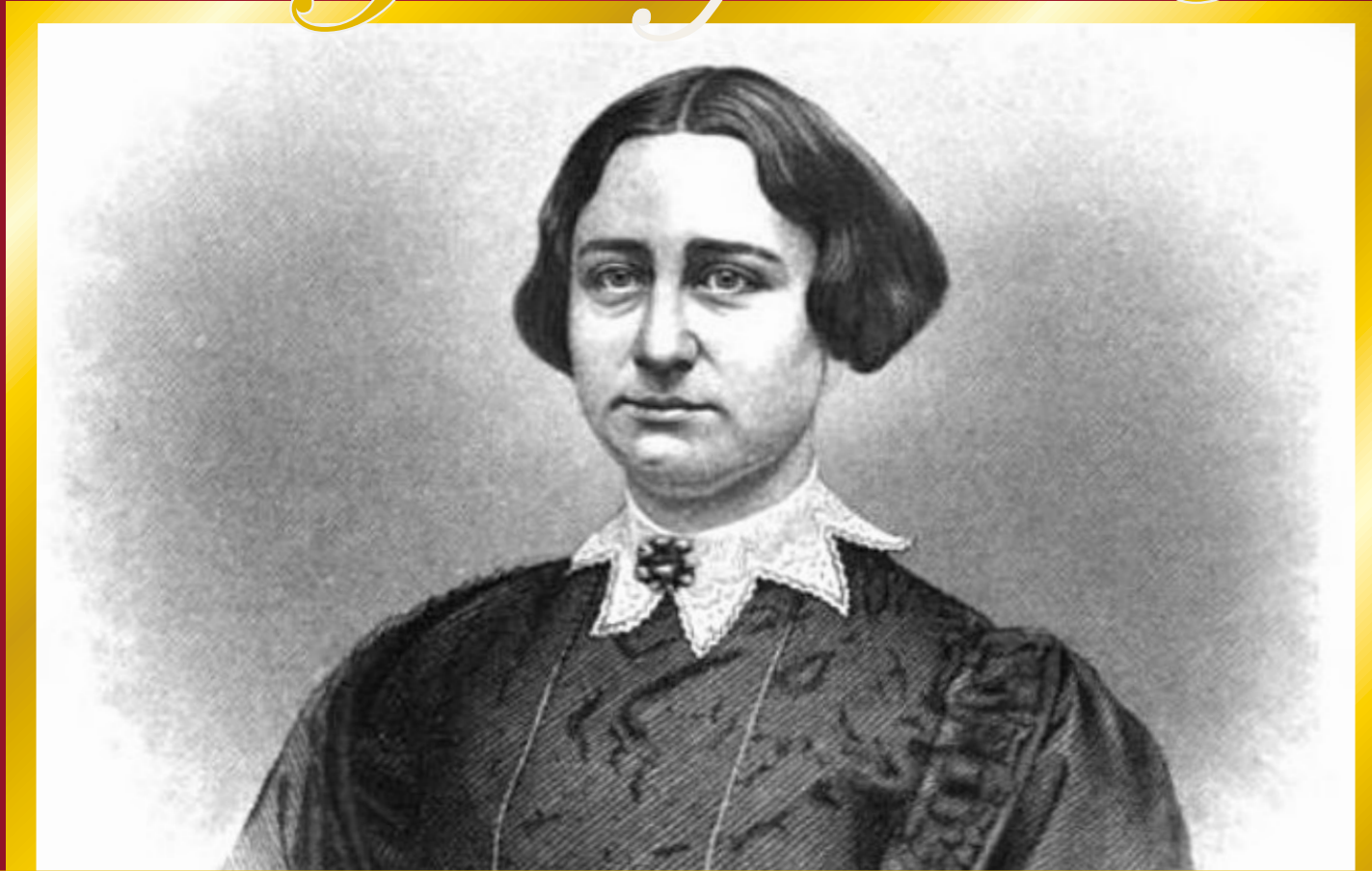


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- ★ Antoinette Brown Blackwell was a leading figure in New Jersey's suffrage movement. In 1869, she co-founded the New Jersey Women's Suffrage Association. She even toured nationally with Susan B. Anthony!
- ★ Antoinette was also the first woman to be ordained as a minister in the United States! She lectured on topics related to women's rights, abolition, and temperance. Although her ministry was in Elizabeth, NJ, Antoinette and her husband moved to Somerville in 1869.
- ★ At age 95, Antoinette was finally able to cast her vote! She was one of the only suffrage movement pioneers who lived long enough to cast her ballot after the passing of the 19th Amendment in 1920.

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