

VOTERS' AND VOTERS' LISTS

Two things are absolutely essential for the casting of a legal vote :

1. The person must be qualified.
2. The person's name must be upon the voters' list.

Qualification is not sufficient ; the name must be on the list. Having the name on the list is not sufficient ; there must be qualifications.

Qualification of Voters

Subject to certain minor modifications the persons entitled to be entered on the list of voters and to vote in the approaching referendum shall be every man and woman who :

1. Is a British subject by birth or naturalization.
2. Is twenty-one years of age.
3. Has resided in Canada for twelve months and in the electoral district for three months next preceding the day fixed upon which enumeration begins in such electoral district.

Who May be Entered on Lists

1. Every person in possession of the qualifications already set out.

2. Nurses, soldiers, and sailors may vote. Every man or woman who is a British subject of whatever age and who is not entered on any other list or is not otherwise disqualified and who has served or is serving in any country in the naval or military forces of Great Britain and any of her Allies and who at the time he or she enlisted was even temporarily a resident of any municipality in Ontario.

3. A student in attendance at an institution of learning and not entered or entitled to be entered upon any other list may be entered upon the list for the polling sub-division in which he or she resides if otherwise qualified.

4. A woman who has become a British subject by marriage or by the naturaliza-

tion of her parent when she was a minor and in either case has done nothing to forfeit or lose her status as a British subject, and has obtained a certificate under the signature of a judge certifying that she has personally appeared and has satisfied him that she is of the full age of twenty-one years, has resided in Canada a sufficient length of time and is possessed of all requirements as would be necessary to entitle her, if unmarried, to be naturalized as a British subject, and that she has taken the oath of allegiance to His Majesty.

5. Every man and every woman who is or is qualified and will within fifty-six days after the day upon which the enumerators shall commence to make up the list, be of the full age of twenty-one years.

Q.—If a qualified person's name is left off the list by the enumerators can it be afterwards added ?

A.—Yes, full provision is made by the law for Courts of Revision. Section 38 of the Ontario Election Act, 1918, reads :

"Every list shall be subject to revision by the revising officer at the instance of any voter who complains that the names of any persons who are entitled to be entered on the list have been omitted, or that the names of persons who are not entitled to be voters have been entered on the list."

Q.—Will due notification be given ?

A.—Yes. At least fifteen days' notice shall be given by public advertisement of the date of the sitting of the Revising Officers.