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It has always been the opinion of broad minded statesmen that to take away the liberties of subjects is to incite the license of rebels.—G. F. Stirling.



## GUILTY OF SEDITION

At the time of writing the Editor awaits judgment. He has been found guilty of publishing two seditious libels, to wit: "The Price We Pay," and two letters contained in the Forward of Sept. 10th, bearing the signatures of Hazel Halliwell, and Rebecca Buhay. Strange to relate, the indictment in the first place states, "A seditious libel," but to our astonishment, seven seditious libels were enumerated in the indictment that reached the defending counsel the day before trial. The charge is now based on the following publications: "The Peril of Conscription," by J. Bruce Glasier. "Exposures of the Armament Ring," being a speech by Philip Snowden in the British House of Commons. "Platform of the Canadian Freedom League." "Social Revolution," published by the National Rep. Law Pub. Co., St. Louis. "The Call," British Socialist Party official organ, and the two before mentioned. The prosecuting counsel is evidently under the impression that (a) means (Flock). The first two charges were sustained by a jury of twelve workmen, and the Editor now awaits judgment upon the verdict. It may be said that seventeen charges of the same nature have been quashed in the United States upon "The Price We Pay." This is what is known as a "fair trial," we await the judgment with perfect equanimity.

More next issue.

## FLAVELLE FOREVER

(By J. B. in B.C. Federationist.)

Vote for Borden and embalmed ham! Borden's latest promise is that he will tax war profits.

What are war profits?

We are told the nation is fighting for its very existence and needs every cent, and every man, and must even stint on food to win this war.

Then Borden gives letters of marque to some pirates to prey upon us in our extremity and asks them to hand a tip to the government out of their successful robbery.

That is war profits.

We are told not to eat ham or bacon, as it is needed for the soldiers at the front, and before it gets to them, and after being already cured, it has extra salt injected into it to add to its weight. But that is war profits. Send the soldiers salt instead of ham, tax

the people to pay for it and let the supporters of the Borden government fill their pockets. That is war profits and Borden promises if you return him to power he will tax war profits a little.

We don't want any war profits. And if we have to make war, we want to do it in a business-like way. We do not wish to buy salt and pay the price of ham for it.

If you vote for Borden you vote for the whole gang of licensed pirates and hogs who impudently call themselves the "Win-the-War" government. We have more chance of winning the war without them; we can't afford expensive luxuries. To be head of a munition board is not reward enough.

"As high as Haman" would be a better elevation for any one who tries to make profit out of the greatest calamity that ever happened on earth.

If you are poor spirited fools, vote for Borden and ask him to wipe his feet on you again.

What was the use of decapitating King Charles to teach him the unhealthiness of autocracy if you give your premier autocratic power?

Borden has robbed you of your dearest liberty without giving the people a chance to vote on it.

He has shamelessly cooked the election lists, to make sure of getting in again.

But you will vote for him again. O sorry a doubt of it! It must be as Dr. Curry says. Men are all more or less doped all the time with alcohol or nicotine." You can kick them and trample on them and they won't fight. They will just soothe themselves with more dope. All they crave is dope. Dope in their pipes and dope in the newspapers.

The latest dope handed out to them is that they are fighting for liberty. They could not fight for liberty—they would not know it if they saw it. They did not even notice when they lost it. Their forefathers would have to come back to earth every few years and pick up their children's lost liberties and pin them on to them again. Who would be free himself must strike the blow.

You can strike a blow at autocracy in this election without leaving Canada. You can decapitate Borden with your vote. If you don't you will deserve to lose any liberties you still have left by them.

## LORD ROBERT CECIL

### And Proposed Armistice.

Under the caption "Britain Warns Russia," the British Minister of Blockade, in an interview with an Associated Press correspondent, is supposed to be speaking on behalf of the British nation. He says: "I do not want to indulge in any personal abuse, but if you will examine the Lenine proclamation carefully you will find it is to be a direct incitement by men who profess to be the government, to the soldiers to arrest their Generals and open negotiations all along the line across the trenches." We fully appreciate the fact that the Russian attitude in respect to the peace settlement is not relished by the Minister of Blockade, but we are of the opinion that such a statement as the one quoted is entirely unauthorized by the British nation, and we do not see anything in the Russian note which permits such an arrogant assumption. The Russian note emphatically declares against a separate peace. If a breach of relations is looked for by the British Cabinet all they have to do is to permit the honorable gentleman referred to a further license of tongue wagging with correspondents.

The British nation may think differently about this matter. One thing is apparent, however, i.e., That the Kerensky Bourgeois government has made its last kick, and has gone the way of the Romanoff regime and leaves with us only the undisputable fact that the Russian people want peace. Sooner or later our own government may also appreciate the fact that there are only two things facing them: "Peace or Revolution."

## APOSTLES OF DEMOCRACY

From a current reading of the big Union Press we are led to believe that Canada is to be blessed by a wondrous reform revival after Borden gets back. The following from the "Glasgow Forward" will help us to appreciate the fact:

"We are told that after the war the capitalists will combine to construct a higher standard of society. Don't forget that the saviours of to-morrow are the profiteers of to-day. Can it be really believed that the class who bound and gagged and robbed every section of the people during the war are going to devote their time in days to come in setting these people free and raising them beyond the reach of other robbers? Such teaching is only for credulous children or for adults prepared to believe anything that gives an appearance of justification to contentment in slavery."

## MOTHERHOOD AND WAR.

Dear Sister Women:

I have received a leaflet poem from Fannie Buxley, California, who is the author. It is called "The Spartan Mother." I think I will write and ask her permission to have it reproduced in full in the "Canadian Forward."

These things are all coming in answer to my crusade letters, and so I think they belong to us all.

"It has burst on her reeling soul at last,

The lie, the accursed lie;  
And her spirit leaps with a vibrant strength

To the new world mother's cry."

That is the first verse. I will not quote any more until I see whether I may quote it all, but I wish to dwell on the thought of "The New World Mother" to-day.

This war has proved, among many other things, that the Motherhood that is to save is something other than physical motherhood, something possessed by many who are not physical mothers at all. It is a deep, spiritual possession, a love for humanity, a glorious, self-giving longing to protect, conserve and guard and save.

I know mothers who would send their sons to war. I read with a shudder the other day of one who said she "would just push her son back into the trenches if he tried to escape." God help the world if such an ideal of motherhood were to triumph. But it will not.

We who love each other are finding each other one-all over the world.

We, who deplore the endless sacrifice of the innocent, both in peace and war, and getting down to first causes, and we find the universal enemy of humanity to be the strong power of

## Rheumatism

### A Home Cure Given by One Who Had It

In the spring of 1898 I was attacked by Muscular and Inflammatory Rheumatism. I suffered as only those who have it know, for over three years. I tried remedy after remedy, and doctor after doctor, but such relief as I received was only temporary. Finally, I found a remedy that cured me completely, and it has never returned. I have given it to a number who were terribly afflicted and even bedridden with Rheumatism, and it effected a cure in every case. I want every sufferer from any form of rheumatic trouble to try this marvelous healing power. Don't send a cent; simply mail your name and address and I will send it free to try. After you have used it and it has proven itself to be that long-looked-for means of curing your Rheumatism, you may send the price of it, one dollar, but understand I do not want your money unless you are perfectly satisfied to send it. Isn't that fair? Why suffer any longer when positive relief is thus offered you free? Don't delay. Write today.

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Mr. Jackson is responsible. Above statement true—Pub.

Gold wedded to Cruelty, the awful cruelty of the exploiter and oppressor. War, this awful war, is merely the symptom of the greater evil, the strongly entrenched foe that we must fight with our bloodless weapons until we have overcome.

I have so many letters now, but am endeavoring to answer all as quickly as I can.

I have just read an article by J. Ramsay MacDonald in the English paper to which I write "The Leicester Pioneer."

Last week he said he believed the war would end in December. This week he says he does not now think it possible, but that the authorities (who have all the money and power) are trying to beguile the people to endure through the winter and on into another year.

Comrades, do we realize what this means? Let us be brave and true and strong, I implore you, sister women. Come forward and help. They, our foes, have all; we have nothing but the stronger Power that can conquer all if we leave the path.

The women with tender hearts are responding—these are the ones we want.

Leaflets and manifestoes are now ready, and are being sent to all who ask for them. Will those who ask please try and contribute a little, even if only 5 or 10 cents towards the cost of circulation?

Let us help to swell the volume of revolt against the slaughter of the poor lads now being called up to be driven to the hell of horrors in Europe. The election is coming. Let us be firm in our resolve not to support any but those who will help to free us from this horror, those who will serve the people who suffer and toil forever.

I am very sorrowful to-day.

Hurled to the prisons by the thousand in every land are those who are true to humanity. The sceptre of the world is in the hands of evil. Yet a few days and our boys here will be dragged in the slavery of legal destruction. Shall we not be brave and true? Women, old and young—with mother-hearts, gentle, loving and strong—come forward and help send our pledges to every candidate for Parliament. Tell your friends of the "slaughter of the innocents."

Yours in loving service.

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