GERMAN ATROCITIES

Why should the women of Canada vote for the return of the Union Government? Because they are vitally interested in seeing that the war against Germany and all that Germany represents is carried on to the bitter end. Germany's triumph would mean the destruction of all the rights and privileges that the women of the world have won. Germany's attitude to women is that of the uncivilized savage. It is doubtful if the hordes of the Huns when centuries ago they swept over Europe treated the women of conquered nations as brutally, as inhumanly or as fiendishly as did the Germans the women of Belgium in their invasion of that country.

No woman can read the report of the Commission, headed by Lord Bryce, which investigated the German atrocities in Belgium, without a shudder of horror. Lustful and cruel, they violated women and girls, murdered their husbands, tortured and mutilated children, and murdered babies. The story of the Bryce report, all of which is absolutely authenticated, is alone enough to decide every woman in Canada to stand by a government which proposes to war to the bitter end for the defeat of such a civilization. The Union Government is at war for the protection of the women of Canada, and believes that the Canadian army which is carrying on this war should be amply reinforced and maintained.

Proven by Direct Evidence

The Commission comes to the following definite conclusions which it states are proven by direct evidence beyond a shadow of a doubt:

It is proved---

- (i) That there were in many parts of Belgium deliberate and systematically organized massacres of the civil population, accompanied by many isolated murders and other outrages.
- (ii) That in the conduct of the war generally innocent civilians, both men and women, were murdered in large numbers, women violated, and children murdered.