

# SPLENDID PROGRESS MADE BY LEADERS

## One Candidate in Canadian Courier Contest Has Passed the 100,000 Mark and Others are Very Close. A New Leader This Week at Sydney, N.S.

THE 100,000-mark has been passed by one candidate in The Canadian Courier contest, Miss Blanche Bourque, of Sydney, N.S., being the fortunate candidate to have the honor of first passing the hundred thousand stage in the contest. Miss Bourque's gain for the week was over 11,000 votes, and her friends will be all the more encouraged to keep her among the leading candidates in view of the fact that their candidate is making such a splendid race. Sydney is giving Miss Bourque the most loyal support, and doubtless will continue to do so.

The greatest gain for the week was made by Miss Olive Isaacs, of Cobalt, Ont., who had an advance of some 38,000 for the week. Miss Isaacs moves back into third place, from which she had been deposed a week ago by Miss Huestis, of Sussex. The Cobalt candidate has made remarkable progress and intends to keep her town right up among the leaders throughout the contest.

Another leader, Miss Huestis, of Sussex, made a good finish for the week, going ahead over 10,000 votes, and she holds fourth place by a good margin. Sussex is one of the big surprises of the contest.

Other candidates who show excellent progress are: Miss M. G. White, of Spy Hill, Sask., who gained over 5,000, and Miss Violet McKnight, New Liskeard, with a gain of nearly 7,000; Miss Lillian E. Holland, Halifax, N.S., with a gain of nearly 5,000; Miss Esther Dewney, Comox, B.C., with a gain of 5,000; Miss Margaret Campbell, New Waterford, N.S.; Miss Helen Bryan, Brandon; Miss Cecilia Pepin, Blind River, who gained 6,000; Miss Minnie B. Wentzel, Denholm, Sask., who gained nearly 8,000; Miss Velma Welch, of Vancouver, with a gain of 8,000; Miss Doris Sneyd, Welland, with a gain of over 3,000, and many other candidates who show decided but smaller gains.

East and West the candidates are making splendid progress, and the same may be said of Ontario. There is not so marked progress in Manitoba or Quebec as there is in the farther Western and Eastern Provinces. But the contest is young yet, and there will be plenty of time for candidates who have hardly started yet to catch up.

The new candidates this week are Miss Clara Cameron, Minnedosa, Man., and Miss Maimie Warner, Goderich, Ont.

It is not too late by any means for candidates to enter, as the contest will be extended for the latecomers, and they will have until the first of September if they wish to make up for lost time. The contest was originally to have ended the first of June, but so many candidates have come in late that it will be carried through the summer for those who have not completed the work. Candidates who have sent in the minimum number of subscriptions by the end of May will be awarded their college course or the trip as the case may be, and those who wish longer time to complete the work will have it.

A large number of candidates, who are at present in high school, have asked for a chance in the contest as soon as school closes, and these will be accepted and can do the work during the summer holidays. They will have a splendid chance to win their college course and will not be handicapped in any way, as they will have the entire holidays to plan their campaign.

So far no boy candidates have entered to work for the college course, but several are considering the matter and will enter later. Some are in high school and would rather not enter until examinations are over. They will then get to work in earnest to win the college course, and they can do it very readily.

All over the country readers of The Canadian Courier are planning to help some candidate, and if there is not a candidate in their own town or city, are helping the candidate in some place where they formerly resided.

Only the candidates themselves can tell how much they appreciate this unexpected help. It is a tremendous encouragement. A few votes or an extra yearly subscription, which is good for 2,500 votes, is a great help.

The candidates in this race are almost all working for the college course. They are ambitious to gain greater educational opportunities. Their ambition is the most commendable that could be entertained. The contest will mean a tremendous lot to some of the candidates. They will never forget the encouragement given them by their friends in this race.

Any candidate in the race can be made successful if the public take an interest in the contest. For instance, Prince Edward Island has but one candidate. There is no reason why the present readers of The Canadian Courier in Prince Edward Island cannot make it sure beyond all question of doubt that the Island candidate will be one of the winners of the college course. The same with the British Columbia candidates, or in Alberta, or Manitoba, or any other province. One new yearly subscription secured by each reader of The Canadian Courier from some friend or acquaintance will mean the success of every candidate in the race.

Some one at Courtenay, B.C., sent in a nomination blank, but neglected to fill it in. No name being signed the sender cannot be communicated with.

A bunch of ballots has been sent in from St. John without any name written on the ballots or other marks to show which candidate they are intended for.

A package of ballots has been received for Miss Blanche Bourque from some Ottawa friend.

The standing follows:

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| Miss Blanche F. Bourque, Sydney, N.S. ....       | 100,700 | Miss Jean Blakney, Sunny Brae, N.B. ....           | 11,000 |
| Miss M. Augusta McLeod, Goderich, Ont. ....      | 96,000  | Miss Margaret Sutherland, Kingston, Ont. ....      | 10,950 |
| Miss Olive Isaacs, Cobalt, Ont. ....             | 83,500  | Miss Estelle M. Gow, Fergus, Ont. ....             | 10,900 |
| Miss Annie Huestis, Sussex, N.B. ....            | 62,850  | Miss Polly Affleck, Lanark, Ont. ....              | 10,850 |
| Miss Rhona S. Wright, Montague, P.E.I. ....      | 44,800  | Miss Hazel Haryett, Edmonton, Alta. ....           | 10,800 |
| Miss Violet McKnight, New Liskeard, Ont. ....    | 42,300  | Miss Emily Gillespie, Peterboro, Ont. ....         | 10,800 |
| Miss Alice E. Cooper, Richmond Hill, Ont. ....   | 41,400  | Miss Mabel Van Buskirk, Mouth of Jemseg, N.B. .... | 10,800 |
| Miss M. G. White, Spy Hill, Sask. ....           | 40,450  | Miss Myrtle I. Shaw, Collingwood, Ont. ....        | 10,750 |
| Miss Margaret Campbell, New Waterford, N.S. .... | 31,800  | Miss Minnie Dixon, Fort William, Ont. ....         | 10,550 |
| Miss Lillian E. Holland, Halifax, N.S. ....      | 31,100  | Miss Sophie Shriar, Montreal ....                  | 10,450 |
| Miss Esther Dewney, Comox P.O., B.C. ....        | 26,850  | Miss Alice Guilmont, Ottawa, Ont. ....             | 10,400 |
| Miss Mary E. Holland, Halifax, N.S. ....         | 25,250  | Miss Alice Hammond, Meaford, Ont. ....             | 10,400 |
| Miss Velma A. M. Welch, Vancouver, B.C. ....     | 23,400  | Miss Katherine Macdonald, Truro, N.S. ....         | 10,250 |
| Miss Minnie B. Wentzel, Denholm, Sask. ....      | 23,200  | Miss Edna Fraser, Canso, N.S. ....                 | 11,050 |
| Miss Helen Bryan, Brandon, Man. ....             | 20,000  | Miss Beatrice Booth, Lardo, B.C. ....              | 10,000 |
| Miss Jennie O'Brien, Athol, N.S. ....            | 19,150  | Miss Lillian L. Pettit, Hamilton, Ont. ....        | 10,000 |
| Miss Cecilia Pepin, Blind River, Ont. ....       | 19,100  | Miss Clara Cameron, Minnedosa, Man. ....           | 10,000 |
| Miss Ina Spilsbury, Peterboro, Ont. ....         | 17,400  | Miss Maimie Warner, Goderich, Ont. ....            | 10,000 |
| Miss Edna McLeod, Cookshire, Que. ....           | 16,200  |  |        |
| Miss Eva P. Whitman, Baildon P.O., Sask. ....    | 16,000  |  |        |
| Miss Julia H. Leger, Leger Corner, N.B. ....     | 15,750  |  |        |
| Miss Mabel Christie, Peterboro, Ont. ....        | 15,300  |  |        |
| Miss Dorris Sneyd, Welland, Ont. ....            | 14,650  |  |        |
| Miss George Mary Hunter, Toronto ....            | 14,500  |  |        |
| Miss Edna Coutanche, Toronto ....                | 14,050  |  |        |
| Miss Belle Dunne, Toronto ....                   | 13,400  |  |        |
| Miss Vivienne Geldart, St. John, N.B. ....       | 12,800  |  |        |
| Miss Etheline Schleifauf, Iona P.O., Ont. ....   | 12,700  |  |        |
| Miss Mary Dorcey, Ottawa, Ont. ....              | 12,150  |  |        |
| Miss Helen Barnes, Regina, Sask. ....            | 12,050  |  |        |
| Miss Elsie Cuff, Trenton, Ont. ....              | 11,950  |  |        |
| Miss Maude Chambers, Sudbury ....                | 11,850  |  |        |
| Miss Marie A. Hebert, Thetford Mines, Que. ....  | 11,850  |  |        |
| Miss Olivine Giroux, Pembroke, Ont. ....         | 11,700  |  |        |
| Miss Florence Sheehan, St. John, N.B. ....       | 11,600  |  |        |
| Miss Elizabeth Swallow, Edmonton, Alta. ....     | 11,550  |  |        |
| Miss Ruth Gregg, New Westminster, B.C. ....      | 11,500  |  |        |
| Miss Bessie Wilson, Tillsonburg, Ont. ....       | 11,500  |  |        |
| Miss Elizabeth Russell, Parry Sound, Ont. ....   | 11,400  |  |        |
| Miss Amy Reid, Meaford, Ont. ....                | 11,350  |  |        |
| Miss Ethel J. Smith, Montreal ....               | 11,200  |  |        |
| Miss Eustella Burke, Ottawa, Ont. ....           | 11,150  |  |        |
| Miss Olive Therien, North Bay, Ont. ....         | 11,000  |  |        |

### Ballot No. 11

This ballot is good for 50 votes in the CANADIAN COURIER EDUCATIONAL CONTEST.

For Miss .....

Address .....

if forwarded to the CANADIAN COURIER to be credited in the official standing on or before June 17, 1913.

## Nomination Blank

I Herely Nominate .....

Address .....

whom I know to be over 15 years of age, of good character, and to be a proper person to enter "THE CANADIAN COURIER" CONTEST.

Signed ..... Countersigned by .....

Address ..... Pastor of .....

Church or Parish

The first nomination received for any candidate is good for 10,000 votes for the candidate named thereon, provided the nomination is accepted. The votes on only one Nomination Blank will be counted for any candidate.

### In Lighter Vein

Dirigible Dogs.

WHEN the aeronaut aloft doth fly,  
What pastime could be merrier  
Than to be followed, fleet and faithful,  
by  
His Skye or Airedale terrier?  
—Life.

Faith.—Lady. Reformer—"My good girl, do you believe in a minimum wage?"

The Girl Worker—"Why shouldn't I? Ain't I getting it?"

An Emergency.—When a certain ducky of Mobile, Ala., announced his engagement to the dusky one of his choice, the congratulations that were showered upon him included a note of wonder.

"Joe," said one of these friends, "I shore is surprized! We-all never thought you'd speak up. It's going on two years sence you begun to fool around Miss Violet."

"Dat's true," said Joe; "but de fact is, old man, I didn't lose my job until last night."—Judge.

His Business.—"You insist that the officer arrested you while you were quietly attending to your own business?"

"Yes, your honour. He caught me suddenly by the collar, and threatened to strike me with his club unless I accompanied him to the station house."

"You say you were quietly attending to your own business, making no noise or commotion of any kind?"

"Yes, your honour."

"What is your business?"

"I'm a burglar."—Lippincott's.

No Facilities.—"They say that Cupid strikes the match that sets the world aglow. But where does Cupid strike the match?—that's what I'd like to know."  
—Cornell Widow.

Variable.—Old Lady—"How old are you, little boy?"

Bobbie—"I'm under five years on the street-cars, and over sixteen when I go to the movies."—Puck.

Crafty.—Old Gent—"Well, sonny, did you take your dog to the 'vet' next door to your house, as I suggested?"

Boy—"Yes, sir."

Old Gent—"And what did he say?"

Boy—"E said Towser was suffering from nerves, so Sis had better give up playin' the pianner."—Tit-Bits.

A Limb and the Law.—A case wherein the law got its pound of flesh—or rather of papier-mache—without seriously incommoding the prisoner at the bar is reported.

A lawyer was defending a burglar accused of housebreaking. "I submit, your honour," he concluded, "that my client did not break into the house at all. He found a window open, merely inserted his arm, and removed a few articles. Now, my client's arm is not himself, and I fail to see how you can punish the whole person for an offence committed by one of his limbs only."

"That argument," said the judge, gravely, "is well put. Following it out logically, I sentence the prisoner's arm to twelve months' imprisonment. He can accompany it or not, as he chooses."

Whereupon the prisoner smiled, and with his lawyer's aid unscrewed his cork arm, and, leaving it in the dock, walked out.

Far Enough.—"And before we were married you said you would be willing to die for me."

"I know it."

"And yet you refuse to beat the rugs!"

"Sure. Dying is my limit."—Houston Post.

Wisdom.—"Every man ought to save up enough to buy himself a good big farm," said the thrifty citizen.

"Yes," replied Farmer Cornstossel; "and then do something else with the money."—Washington Star.