

THE COURIER

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THE WOMAN VOTE.

The Courier has already emphasized the fact that under the new franchise act the immediate female relatives of all soldiers on service, can vote, and whether the men are in Canadian forces or those from Great Britain.

However, the matter apparently needs to be further emphasized.

The official instructions to returning officers contain this clause on page 4:—

"The wives, widows, mothers, sisters and daughters of certain classes of members of the military and naval forces of Canada and of Great Britain have been accorded the franchise by the amended act."

In the instructions to enumerators there occurs the following:—"Female persons, being British subjects and qualified as to age, race and residence, as required of male persons, and being wives, widows, mothers, sisters or daughters of persons who are serving, or WHO HAVE SERVED, without Canada in any of the military forces of Canada OR OF GREAT BRITAIN in the present war, except such female relatives of such persons as have ceased service otherwise than in an honorable manner, are entitled to vote."

Surely nothing could be more clear than this.

THE SITUATION

The defection of Russia as a fighting force for the Allies, because of internal dissensions was bad enough, but the latest news from there has an even more serious aspect. It is announced that staff officers from Germany are now in Petrograd and are acting in an advisory capacity to Lenin, the Bolshevik Premier.

This may mean something worse than a separate peace, to wit an active alliance with the Huns. In such event, it would seem to be likely that the Japs may even yet have to be called upon.

The Italians continue to fight with undiminished spirit in the repulse of strong Austro-German attacks, and their lines are still holding in the main. The fact is now freely admitted that as the result of German propaganda, there was treachery in the earlier stages of the invasion, but that spirit would now seem to have been completely eliminated.

On the Western front the British are still advancing and overcoming enemy resistance with great stubbornness.

This is the last week of the Victory Loan drive and the enthusiastic response from all classes brought the total yesterday to \$220,360,000. That the total will run over the \$300,000,000 mark would now appear to be assured.

A DASTARDLY ATTACK

In the Expositor of last evening there appeared a letter signed by Frank Gould, 1 Usher street, Brantford, in which a most unfair, venomous and totally unwarranted attack was made upon the War Veterans and Mr. W. F. Cockshutt. Upon the War Veterans, because the insinuation is made that they have allowed themselves to be used for political purposes, and upon Mr. Cockshutt, because the inference is made that he was back of Capt. Cornelius when he attended a Macdoide meeting and asked him to withdraw from the field.

As a matter of fact, Mr. Cockshutt knew nothing whatever of any such appeal being made, or anyone else for that matter, as far as the Courier can ascertain, except Capt. Cornelius himself. His course was on his own initiative entirely. One of the assertions in the letter is the following:—"I remember reading of a meeting in the Y. M. C. A. when a man named Cockshutt said he did not think it was wise for the men to establish a soldier's home."

The innuendo is obviously against Mr. W. F. Cockshutt, when, as a matter of fact, he was not at the gathering at all.

Mr. Cockshutt has, from the first, been a warm supporter of the Home, and a contributor.

In July last he came up especially from Ottawa to help in the "Tag Day" on behalf of funds for the said home, and was one of the principal speakers at the rally in the same hall held in the drill hall that night. He was one of the purchasers of the flags then auctioned off at substantial figures, and here is an extract from a newspaper report of the speech he then made:—"Mr. W. F. Cockshutt congratulated the war veterans on the splendid gathering. There was a small army of them back in Brantford, he said, but each one was a host in himself. A faint idea was secured from the newspapers as to what the men had to endure at the front. He mentioned the air raid in London, and pointed out that there was a very faint idea in Canada of the war. Had all the parts of the Dominion done as well as Brant County conscription would not be necessary, neither would the ranks be thinner now than they were at the beginning. He expressed a wish that there had been a few returned men in the House of Commons to talk to some of the comparative slackers. More drastic means were necessary now, as the people were becoming war tired. He hoped that THE HOME WORKED FOR WOULD BECOME A REALITY."

That is where Mr. Cockshutt stood then with regard to the Home, and has always stood.

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Tooth Paste, Tooth Brush, Toilet Soaps, Shaving Soaps, Air Pillows, Wash Cloths.
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A BAD CAUSE?

Sir Wilfrid Laurier made a speech in the Russell Theatre, Ottawa, last night. During the course of his address he said:—"I disapprove of any interference with free speech, and I am sorry that the prime minister was not allowed to speak at Kitchener the other day. I want to have given to him every privilege that is due to his rank, due to the position he occupies and due also to the efforts he is making in support of a bad cause. I do not approve of any interference with free speech anywhere. The gas is the rag, whether it is applied by a turbulent crowd in public meeting or whether it is approved in parliament by the obedient majority of a cold-blooded government."

The point was not well taken. The reference of the Liberal leader was of course to the "closure" put in force last session. It gives the power to the presiding officer in parliamentary bodies to close a debate in the majority say that the subject in hand has been sufficiently discussed. Great Britain, the freest of all parliaments, found it necessary to introduce such an enactment as far back as 1882. The object is not to stifle free speech, but to stop the abuse of it. Under such circumstances, the Kitchener incident did not afford any parallel whatsoever.

Sir Wilfrid in his remarks on the subject made the statement that Premier Borden was supporting "a bad cause." Is it a bad cause to say that the boys at the front should be reinforced according to promise? Is it a bad cause to say that Canada must not shirk from the battle field? Is it a bad cause to say that Canadian honor must be upheld? Is it a bad cause to stand by the British Empire and the glorious tenets of human liberty? Surely Sir Wilfrid under the aegis of Quebec has forgotten himself and his duties as a statesman to an even greater extent than at first appeared.

NOTES AND COMMENTS

How can Laurier candidates anywhere talk of a referendum after the first 100,000 men have been drafted when Sir Wilfrid, at Ottawa last night, repeated that he would suspend the act pending a referendum?

The Courier is in receipt of another letter from Mr. J. T. Sloan. He says the answer of this paper to his first epistle is "perhaps all right, as far as it goes," but evidently not enough to suit him. This paper has already courteously answered his interrogations, and it is not necessary

to go into a lengthy wrangle over the subject. A subscriber queries the Courier with regard to the \$1.10 a day paid to soldiers, and asks if this is all they get. No, they have board, clothing and equipment. If married, or in case of a widowed mother, there is \$20 per month, and in the case of children, the wife gets from the Patriotic Fund anywhere from \$10 to \$20 a month, according to number. This paper considers that no remuneration is too much for those brave men and their services, and that an increase is warranted. However, even as matters stand, the \$1.10 a day talk is wholly misleading.

A vote for Cockshutt is a vote to enable you to look returned soldiers in the face when they come home.

Laurier's half-hearted repudiation of the Kitchener outrage will not do. In the meantime, why is he so silent with regard to the fact that Union candidates in Quebec dare not appear on a platform?

Laurier says that he is not bossed by Bourassa or any other man. At the same time Bourassa is endorsing Laurier candidates in Quebec, and they will have to do as Bourassa says.

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Christmas Displays at Brantford's Best Xmas Store!

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38c Stamped Pillow Cases for baby, several pretty designs, stamped on good quality cotton. 25c

85c Corset Covers, in easily worked designs, good quality material. Sale Price 60c

Children's Rompers, stamped in blue and linen. Very Special for this Sale 50c

Stamped Pillow Cases 69c a pair also day slips, stamped on a good quality circular cotton, all very new designs, Thursday, \$1.00, 85c and 69c

Large Size Turkish Towels

Stamped in several dainty designs excellent value at a pair \$1.00

Smaller size Turkish Towels to match at a pair 70c

Stamped pieces on pure linen, in pretty designs with new scalloped edge, all at special prices for this sale.

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Finest Irish Linen Handkerchiefs, hem-stitched, dainty embroidered corners. Very Special at 25c

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Always an Appreciated Gift

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In this collection you will find just the coat you want for street, for motoring for general utility wear. There are plenty of sizes for women and misses. These coats are made from Chinchilla, Zebeline and tweeds, in navy, brown grey and black, with large collars, belted and buckle trimmed, body and sleeves lined. Values up to \$16.00. Sale Price \$13.50

New Winter Coats \$16.50

A great saving when you consider that the price of these coats has already advanced many Dollars over our regular price. The coats themselves are made from all wool fancy tweeds and chinchilla cloths, in several shades large cape collars; with hand of mole plush, pockets trimmed and belted, with fancy buttons. These are excellent styles and values up to \$21.00 Sale Price \$16.50

Bath Robes Are Such Snugly Things

Soft and warm even to the colorings are these comfortable Bath Robes for women. They are in very pretty designs grey, copenhagen, blue red and rose with square or round collars, trimmed with self colored ribbons, finished with cord at the waist. Special Sale Price \$4.75

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Fine Wool Plaids, 42 inches wide, in clan, Tartans and mixed plaids. Very special value at per yard \$1.25

Fine Soft finished all wool Serge that cannot be replaced to sell for \$2.75. Black and navy only. 50 inches wide, extra good value at a yard \$1.95

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Fancy Dresden and Roman stripe ribbons six inches wide, suitable for fancy work bags, camisoles, Children's Hair bows and many fancy things for Christmas Gifts, regular 50c value Thursday 35c

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Scene from Daniel Frohman's big military comedy drama, "Seven Days' Leave," at Grand Opera House Friday and Saturday, Nov. 31 and December 1st.

Electoral District of Brantford.

NOTICE is hereby given that Harry F. Harrup of Brantford, Machinist, is the duly appointed Official Agent of Morrison M. MacBride, a Candidate in this election. Thos. S. Wade, Returning Officer.

TORONTO MARKETS

By Courier Leased Wire Toronto, Nov. 28.—Export cattle, choice \$11 to \$12; bulls \$9 to \$9.50; butcher cattle, choice \$10.50 to \$11; medium \$9.50 to \$10; common \$8.50 to \$9.50; butcher cows, choice \$8.50 to \$9.50; medium \$7.50 to \$8; farmers \$5.75 to \$6.25; bulls, \$7.50 to \$8.25; feeding steers \$8.50 to \$9; stockers, choice \$7.50 to \$8.50; light \$6.50 to \$6.75; milkers, choice, each \$100 to \$180.00; springers \$90 to \$120; sheep, ewes \$11 to \$14.50; hucks and culls \$7.50 to \$9.50; lambs, \$16 to \$16.25; hogs, fed and watered \$17.75; calves \$14.50 to \$15.50.

The boys at the front are busy. Vote for Cockshutt and help keep the munition factories busy to help them.

LOCAL

VICTORY BONDS

Soldiers in Canada chase a "Victory Bond" given until Sept. make their payments. a soldier purchasing a ly assignment on his be made at the rate month. For a bond of signment of course w led.

DELINQUENT DISAL

Only one of the two rested by the police evasion of the Militia appeared before tribu at the armoures this liam Smuck, Kennedy ben medically exami had not appeared bef appear dthis morning for exemption was Frank Larian, 54 R had not been exami board, and he will be fore his status is dete

APPEAL BOARD

Arrangements have ed for the sittings o board that will hear a nection with the votin ing complied by the The board will come on Friday, December will consist of Messrs (chairman), W. A. cal registrar, Crown Wilkes, Clerk of the Sheriff John W. We statutes provide that registrar of deeds, a this board, but owing ty to act, Magistrate been selected to repa

KILLED IN ACTION

News of the death Sapper Charles Porty son of the Rev. J. R. reached the city S met his death in the duty on November was a member of the tional Signal Company gneers, and was the Rev. J. R. and M The Rev. Mr. Patton ily pastor of the W Methodist Church of left here about seven left Brantford to ta Centennial Church, T now pastor of the S Church.

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