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## THE FRANCHISE BILL

The War Time Election Act which is now before the House of Commons is the last important measure which is expected to come up during this session of Parliament. The outstanding features of this bill are three in number. The first is that the female relatives of soldiers are to be enfranchised. The act says nothing regarding any other women in the Dominion. Notwithstanding the fact that five of the provinces of Canada have adopted Woman's Suffrage, while they may vote in Provincial matters, unless they have some immediate relative in uniform, they are to have no say in the electing of the next House of Commons.

This on the face of it, seems to be quite unfair. There are many women in Canada who have no immediate relative in the ranks. They may be active in Red Cross work, or in the making of munitions, which is work of extreme importance to the nation, but they are to be excluded from exercising the franchise. Somehow or other, the Borden Government seems to be afraid of the Canadian women. And well they may, too. If it is good for the wife of a soldier to vote in the coming election, surely her sister, whether married to a civilian or yet a spinster, is as equally entitled to record her judgment at the ballot box.

In the second place, there are over fifty thousand foreigners in Canada who under this bill will become disenfranchised. They have been invited to come to this country, where they would have equal representation in the affairs of the nation with the Canadian born. They came at the direct invitation of the Government of Canada in past years. They have been admitted to the full rights of citizenship. They have become Canadians. They have had a vote. Yet—now they are to lose it. Even keeping in view the fact that this is a time of war, there does not seem to be any particular reason for this restriction, looking at Canada as a whole. They would be asked to record their vote the only way or the other. Either Liberal or Conservative. Conscription is no longer an

issue. It is now the law of the land. According to what Sir Robert Borden himself has said the Conscription law will be enforced before it is likely that the election will take place. The issues which will be judged by the electors at the coming election will be the record of the Borden Government. The question is not whether the war will be won or not. Canada will do her share to that end. The question that troubles the Borden Government is how the foreign element will vote. To remove that doubt, it proposes to cut off from the list of voters on the plea of national precaution apparently, those it is afraid of. It is hard to come to any other reasonable conclusion.

These foreign born citizens of the Dominion are amenable to the law. If they break the law, or become a menace, the law and its officers can deal with them. They are either Canadian citizens or they are not. If they are, then they are entitled to all the privileges of citizenship. If they are not citizens now, their nationalization papers will have to be cancelled. But it is impossible for a modern and democratic Government in a free country to take any such action without some very good reason, and get off with it.

The third feature of the bill is the disenfranchisement of those who are exempt from military service, such as the Mennonites Doukhobours, and other conscientious objectors. Never having undertaken the full obligations of citizenship so far as military service is concerned, there will be less objection taken to their not being permitted its full privileges. Nevertheless, Canada must not, indeed cannot break faith with her foreign born citizens, who are loyally living up to their oath.

## NOTES AND COMMENTS

"Come out, 'tis now September. The huntsman's moon's begun." The "frequent gun" that the poet sang about is becoming more and more in evidence. The sportsman and the pot boiler will be combined very largely this season owing to the high prices of meats.

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The German aviators are making a pastime of bombing military hospitals in France. There is one hospital on the Verdun front that has had bombs dropped on it several times now. The Hun can always find his way back. It is no accident either, for all hospitals are plainly marked with the Red Cross in huge marks on the ground, that even he who flies may see. Such acts make one more notch on the stock, which Fritz will have to answer for.

The United States War Department's plan is said to be for two million men on active service and in training camps by the end of next June. With this fresh weight thrown in the scale, there can be no hope for a successful finish of the war for Germany. If the rate of wastage the Central Powers are suffering now could be kept up, it will not be long till Germany is compelled from sheer exhaustion to sue for peace. But not so long as there is a chance left. Kaiser Wilhelm apparently sees some chances still.

Herr von Hydebrand, the Conservative leader in the Reichstag, is reported to have predicted that the war will not last through the winter but will be ended by the New Year. He has evidently given up the hope of a victorious Germany.

## MAIL SCHEDULE

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Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 9:30 a.m.

**From the East.**  
Sundays, Tuesdays and Fridays at 5:30 p.m.

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## TIMBER SALE X 1018.

Sealed tenders will be received by the Minister of Lands not later than noon on the 22nd day of September, 1917, for the purchase of Licence X 1018, to cut 6,835,000 feet of Spruce, Balsam and Hemlock on an area situated on Link Lake, Range 3, Coast District.

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Further particulars of the Chief Forester, Victoria, B. C., or District Forester, Prince Rupert, B. C.

## LAND LEASE NOTICE

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## MINERAL ACT

(R.S.B.C. 1911).  
Holly Fraction, Birch, Crocus Fraction, and Plum mineral claims situate in the Queen Charlotte District, located at or near Ikeda Bay, Queen Charlotte Islands, Province of British Columbia, lawfully held by Ikeda Mines Limited (Non Personal Liability).

TAKE NOTICE that I, John A. MacInnes, Solicitor for Ikeda Mines Limited (Non Personal Liability) Free Miner's Certificate No. 15485C intend, after the expiration of sixty days from the date hereof to apply on behalf of the said Company to the Mining Recorder of the said District for a Certificate of Improvements for each of the above claims for the purpose of obtaining crown grant thereof.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that action under Section 85 of the Mineral Act must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this 12th day of June, A.D. 1917.

J. A. MacINNES,  
Solicitor for Ikeda Mines Limited (Non Personal Liability). S10.

IN THE ESTATE OF CHRISTIE GIBSON (DECEASED)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claim upon the Estate of the late Christie Gibson who died on or about the 8th day of November, A. D. 1916, while on active service overseas, are required to send to J. H. McMullin, Official Administrator for the county of Atlin, on or before the 30th day of September, 1917, a full statement of their claims, or any security held by them, duly verified, and after that date the undersigned will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which notice has been filed with him.

DATED at Prince Rupert, B. C., this 12th day of July, A. D. 1917.  
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