

Suffrage as a War Measure

SINCE THE WAR BEGAN WOMAN SUFFRAGE HAS BEEN SWEEPING OVER THE CIVILIZED WORLD.

Women are now voters in **Canada**, in **Russia**, **Norway**, **Finland** and **Denmark**; they are about to become voters in **Great Britain**; all constitutional liabilities have been removed from them in **Holland**; and government bills to give municipal woman suffrage are under way in **France** and **Italy**.

THE WOMEN OF NEW YORK STATE HAVE NO LESS PATRIOTISM, COURAGE OR ABILITY THAN THE WOMEN OF ENGLAND, RUSSIA OR CANADA.

THEY ASK THE MEN OF NEW YORK TO RECOGNIZE THIS AND VOTE FOR WOMAN SUFFRAGE ON ELECTION DAY.

Where Do New York Women Come In?

During the past four years the women of New York State have made a continuous campaign for Woman Suffrage. By sheer hard work a huge organization has been built up which includes every one of the one hundred and fifty Assembly Districts and extends into most of the polling precincts of the State.

There are over 5,000 women officers in the New York Woman Suffrage Party who are giving most of their time to the work, and more than 500,000 women in the state are enrolled.

During this time, with comparatively little effort, in

CANADA—Five great provinces, Alberta, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, British Columbia, and Ontario, have adopted Woman Suffrage. In the midst of war, and with the votes of her soldiers, Canada has given votes to her women.

UNITED STATES—Since January this year six new states have given presidential suffrage to women: Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Nebraska, North Dakota and Rhode Island, and Arkansas has given the vote to women in all primary elections.

ENGLAND—The bill to give votes to 6,000,000 English women has passed its third reading in the House of Commons by a vote of 385 to 56. It has the full backing of the British Government and it is promised that there will not be another general election without the votes of women.

RUSSIA—In Free Russia men and women are voting together. For many years women have worked side by side with men for Democracy. In forming a new government Woman Suffrage was accepted as a matter of course.

FRANCE—A bill is now before the Chamber of Deputies and has the support of the French Government to give the municipal vote to women at once.

DENMARK—Surrounded by war on all sides, troubled by a multitude of new problems, Denmark, in 1915 gave the full vote to all her women.

ITALY—A Municipal Suffrage bill is now before the Chamber of Deputies and has the support of the Prime Minister who says: "I do not think there can be either doubt or delay in giving it on the same conditions as it is given to men."

YUCATAN—Even little Yucatan, in darkest Mexico, has given the vote to her women.

IN EVERY COUNTRY AT WAR THE VOTE HAS EITHER BEEN GIVEN TO WOMEN OR IS UNDER CONSIDERATION. ARE NEW YORK WOMEN GOING TO BE CLASSED AS THE ONLY WOMEN AMONG CIVILIZED NATIONS UNWORTHY OF THE VOTE?

Give votes to women as part of the nation's defense

Men have denied votes to women because they said that women are not called on to serve the State, and therefore not entitled to vote.

This war has proved that women must serve the state equally with men.

The Census taken by New York State of its Military Resources included both men and women.

The government is calling on women to help in factories, in the production and conservation of food, to make munitions, and hardest of all, to give their sons to war.

Women are responding to the call. They are eager to serve. Either in war or in peace they wish to serve their country.

MEN OF NEW YORK STATE, DON'T WAIT UNTIL THE WAR IS OVER TO ADMIT THE JUSTICE AND NECESSITY OF WOMAN SUFFRAGE HERE. FOR THE SAKE OF THE STRENGTH IT WILL ADD TO THE NATION, VOTE FOR WOMAN SUFFRAGE NOVEMBER 6th.

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