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"I have already three sons and a son-in-law with the colors; now I give my dog—and vive la France!" wrote one father when offering his dog.

What that means one may not know until the real service dogs are rendering the tricolor in this war is told. When the story of the war is written the world may hear of canine herds as brave as the men in uniform.

France has three classes of dogs at the front, patrol dogs, linking dogs and ambulance dogs. The first class are always of the sheep dog breed, chiefly from Picardy or Flanders. The sheep dog's sense of smell is wonderful. He



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FRENCH WAR DOGS.

easily detects the presence of an enemy a hundred or even a hundred and fifty yards away.

The training of the dog for sentinel and patrol work, when he is always accompanied by soldiers, is simple and speedy. Of course there is, first of all, a selection of specially intelligent dogs, but when the dogs selected have been sent to the front it requires only four nights' teaching to make them fit for their work. The chief difficulty is to make them learn not to bark, but only growl. Violence is never used; a tap or two on the head is enough when they start barking.

The training of dogs for linking purposes—that is, keeping two bodies of soldiers in touch with each other—requires two months. The course for an ambulance dog is nearly a year. The ambulance dog, unlike the patrol or linking dog, must be taught to bark so as to give notice to the battle-line searchers when he has found a wounded man.

The patrol or sentinel dog works only at night. During the day he stays in the trenches with the men, most of his time asleep. Then when night descends he leaps with the patrol or listening party out of the trenches and passes the hours till dawn in the perilous work of patrolling the 400 or 500 yards of front the party is assigned to cover. Thanks to him, the party is insured against surprise by an enemy patrol.

KUROPATKIN REINSTATED.

Former Generalissimo in Manchuria is Appointed to Command Corps.

General Alexei Kuropatkin has been appointed chief of the Russian 12th and 13th corps. This shows a remarkable reversal of opinion in Russia regarding



GENERAL ALEXEI KUROPATKIN.

a military leader, who was disgraced because of Russian defeats in the war with Japan.

After the defeat at Mukden and the retreat of the entire Russian army to Tieling Kuropatkin resigned the command to General Linvitch, taking the latter's place at the head of one of the three armies in Manchuria. He was later retired from the army in disgrace.

General Kuropatkin was born in 1848 and entered the army at the age of sixteen. In the war of 1877-8 against Turkey he earned a great reputation. In 1892, at the age of thirty-four, he was made a major general and eight years later a lieutenant general.

SUFFRAGE WORK IN NEW YORK

State Has a Million Suffragists, Says Mrs. Catt.

By CARRIE CHAPMAN CATT.

WHEN our campaign opened two years ago we investigated first of all the causes of opposition to woman suffrage. We found that our opponents had certain claims upon which they based their opposition. They are, still standing by those claims and have never varied them much during the two years. They are, first, women do not want to vote; second, woman suffrage in operation in twelve western states has not brought good results.

We therefore set out to answer these two chief objections as best we could. We urged the women in villages, towns and cities to canvass among women and to learn how they regarded the proposal to give them a vote. In all the campaigns to enfranchise men there has never been any phase which has illustrated devotion to a principle so clearly as this canvass of the women. They have taken their baby carriages and gone out of an afternoon, stopping house by house to make their queries. They have done their household work and washed their dinner dishes and gone out for the two or three hours in the afternoon they have for rest. They have gone without dinner in the cities in order to go to the homes of the great masses of women who are only to be found at home in the evening.

While New York state has not been canvassed to the last man or woman, we are yet in a position to know that a very conservative estimate of the number of women who want to vote in the state of New York and who will avail themselves of that privilege as soon as it is granted is not less than 1,000,000. The largest number of men registered in this state at any one election was 1,764,352. Upon the supposition that the number of women eligible to vote would be about the same, it is



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clearly manifest that a good deal more than a majority are counted in the million women who want to vote.

At no time in the history of man suffrage and in no country has there been so universal a demand for the vote as among the women of New York. We note that our opponents, despite the demonstration which they themselves must have found among women, are hammering away at the old objection.

To answer the second objection we secured long ago the testimony of every governor of an enfranchised state and from many other men who hold positions which would make their word of value.

To complete the testimony we have invited prominent men from suffrage states to come to New York during the month of October and upon the platform of 50 mass meetings to give their testimony as to suffrage in actual operation.

As soon as we win we shall reorganize for the purpose of training the women in the new duties of citizenship which will come to them, and we shall maintain our non-partisanship in that work. We shall not teach women why they should be Democrats or Republicans or why they should belong to one of the other parties. We shall merely teach them the functions of citizenship, the object of our government, the duties of various political officers, and we shall teach them something of American history, and that history will be certain to include a phase not now taught in the public schools, and that is the evolution of woman suffrage in America. We shall teach them the sacredness of the ballot. We shall teach them that to sell a vote or to buy a vote or to get a vote by any dishonest means is a moral crime second to none in the Decalogue. We shall teach students to read the newspapers about all political matters and to learn how to sift and balance and judge whether statements are neutral or of political bias. We shall hold civic schools all over the state of New York for this purpose.

The law in the operation of man suffrage is that men are nowhere taught the sacredness of a vote, the patriotic service it means. Men ought to receive election day and the vote they cast—the holiest and most religious service they ever perform. This is not taught them. We mean that it shall be taught to women, and to men too.

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"The bosses, and in many cases the hummers are in favor of the Anti, so I am with the suffragists. Men legislators have either tolerated or ruled that women shall receive less pay than men for the same work; that they shall labor longer hours than men; that in the shops they shall have less protection from fire and for health; that they must be ruined by drink and their children degraded—so I am in favor of giving women a chance to influence legislation by the vote."—Editor Messenger of the Sacred Heart.

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