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"That's French enough for you," said the young officer who was riding with us, turning in his seat to speak-"putting up a monument to glorify three francs-tireurs. Germany the people would not be allowed to do such a thing. But it not humanly conceivable that they would have such a wish. We revere soldiers who die for the Fatherland, not men who refuse to enlist when the call comes and yet take up arms to make a guerrilla

warfare." Which remark, considering the circumstances and other things, was sufficiently typical for all purposes, as I thought at the time and still think. You see I had come to the place where I could understand a German soldier's national and racial point of view, though I doubt his ability ever of understanding mine. To him, now, old John Burns of Gettysburg, going out in his high, high hat and his long, long coat to fight with the boys would never, could never, be the heroic figure which he is in the American nagination; he would have been a meddlesome malefactor deserving of mediate death. For 1778 write it 1914, and Molly Pitcher serving at the guns would have been in no better case before a German courtmartial. I doubt whether a Prussian Stonewall Jackson would give orders to kill a French Barbara Frietchie, but assuredly he would lock that venturesome old person up in a fortress where she could not her country's flag nor invite anybody to shoot her grey head. For you must know that the German, who ordinarily brims over with that emotion which, lacking a better drains all the sentiment out of his soul when he takes his gun in his hand and goes to war. Irvin S. Cobb, in the Saturday Even-

DRAWING IN THE BAL-

KANS. may be merely a coincidence that the reported decision of Roumania the Tory Telegram and indorsed by o enter the war closely followed the other Tories in the party stronghold, we apture of Belgrade by the Aus- fail to see wherein the Liberals are at rians. There is much, however, fault. If they had joined with the ex-Europe to justify the belief that against the major-general, surely that it is the result of deliberate intent. Depite their terrific hammering at the ay against the Servians, and to secure | Canadian war lord's resignation, nor his ontrol of the Eastern Balkans would dismissal. With a Conservative Govgreatly hardicap Russia. That Russia ernment in power, some Conservative s behind Roumania's actions nobody will be minister of militia, and we water wagon, there is nothing for them mestions, and Russia, to head off Ausria's advance through Servia, must incumbent as any of his colleagues. In act at once. Therefore a new Balkan fact, we prefer him to one of those eague, consisting of Roumania, Servia, ree e and Bulgaria, is in the air. Such · powerful combination would be able o roll back the Austrians on the one and and keep the Turks cornered on his staff in the militia department are the other. The one doubtful element is working; and that he claims credit for Bulgaria. Bulgaria is splendidly equipped for war, with an army of veterans. Bulgaria and Greece, the price of her equestion so far as Bulgaria is connec Bulgaria hasn't the racial ties that naturally unite Russia, Roumania have been worse.

putting her money on the right horse. HE German press has for some Austro arms and Bulgaria would be ould be assured of a mighty slice of ring down the Muscovite ighly-organized army in fine fighting Bulgaria's decision will be

THE CALL FOR SOBRIETY.

olicy they had adopted, dragged into politics, it was not their truth, and the present attempt to place policy into the Legislature, Mr. Rowell perate desire to give the world a more offered it to the Government. He ex- favorable impression. But it is too late, pressed his willingness to support Sir and their case is too weak. Nothing cause the name and address of the sub-James Whitney, if he would only take now can convince the world that the scriber is written upon it, and will be up the matter, and introduce advanced invasion of Belgium was anything but temperance legislation. But the Pre- a wanton attack. fortunes to the reform he had ad mier refused and Mr. Rowell showed his sincerity by trusting his political

the Baroness Orczy's series of stories of Crown Prince must be fighting quences. Now he repeats the offer Flanders or Poland. NOON. EVENING.

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St. 100 Premier Hearst. Let the Government, he says, propose a temperance measure that will abolish the bar, or even go further, and the Liberals will give him their support. It is Mr of the Liberals he can afford to disre- his number, as it were. gard the opposition of the friends of the liquor traffic. He will be a stronger man than was Sir James Whitney. Mr. Rowell's proposition is one of selfsacrifice for himself and his party, for holidays, call
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they will be surrendering to their opponents weapons, which, though so far unsuccessful, will be growing more efficacious each year, and will finally win in the battle for sobriety. they will be surrendering to their op-

Conditions should be more favorable for temperance legislation now than they ever have been. Hitherto, in peaceful times, industrialism and commercialism have condemned the drinking habit. They have demanded that their employees shall be sober men Now, in war, militarism for the first time ranges itself on the same side. The nations engaged in war are calling for sober men to defaul them. father's stale jokes if I didn't love you? Russia, by one act of legislation, has abolished the use of strong drink. France will not have any absinthedrinkers in its army. The military au thorities of Britain are warning their soldiers against the use of liquor, Some days the rooms are hot; other and taking measures to prevent its days they are cold." sale. Germany is not pehind in this respect. Liquor-drinking is discountenanced by them all,

And among neutral nations, the same movement is progressing rapidly. In the neighboring republic, among a people of one hundred million, prohibition has become the law in a large number of the states, while the Federal Congress has taken up the question and is considering legislation of general application

Everywhere public sentiment is turning rapidly against the drink habit. Everywhere prohibitory legislation is ecoming more radical.

Now, what is Ontario going to do Is this premier province of the Dominion to lag behind Russia in answering the call for sobriety?

WHO CLAMORS?

CONSERVATIVE paper professes

A to be indignant with "the larger Liberal papers," who have been poking fun at the Minister of Militia, and especially condemns them for clamoring for his resignation, "well knowing that such a course would be interpreted among the enemies of the empire as disapproval of the assistance given to the motherland." That sounds rather amusing. As the clamor for Gen. Sam's dismissal came from Tory Toronto, and was started by Jack Canuck and the present situation in cited Toronto Tories in the clamor ought not to meet with the disapproval would just as soon have the present to give up except cigarettes and polyg-"shoot-holes-in-the-British-flag" memwe will say two or three per cent sometimes, but he adds to the gaiety of nations at a sombre period, and as, in little eccentricities and weaknesses we the short intervals between his public are not calling for his resignation. He has some good qualities; he works like utterances, he manages to get in a lot of strong, worth-while work, many of us would regret to see the vigorous cam-If the Toronto Tories had secured his

few great successes by the German- time been hostile to Chancellor ably due to his admission that the invasion of Belgium was a wrong, which later would be remedied. If that is later would be remedied. If that is In the event of victory, she ably due to his admission that the inannexing Belgium, and that he is now address to his constituents, taking it back. To make this appear on that the defeat of the Liberals had plotted with France and England who intend availing themselves of the

many men who were fact leaves Germany under the cloud of London has organized a scheme where-When he first introduced his the blame on Belgium is due to a des-

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Dispatches say there's not a lobster and accepting the conse- left in Germany. That proves that t

Great Britain has been invaded fiftyfour times, but not since she became mistress of the seas.

A man who stole thirteen automobiles Hearst's opportunity. With the support has been sent to jail. Bad luck took

Madame Lamport, a French prophetess, save the ideal man will not appear until 2038. This should help reduce some swellings roundabout

USES FOR EVERYTHING.

[Judge.] The fellow with projecting ears Now finds them come in pat. They are in style, as it appears, For holding up the hat.

[Cincinnati Inquirer.] world won't always leave you flat. Don't curse it in your blindness; But there's no danger, my You will be killed by kindness

POSITIVE PROOF.

[Louisville Courier-Journal.] "Do you really love me, Willoughby?" "Hun! Do you suppose I'd be laughing my head off every night at your

SOMETHING WRONG.

[Louisville Courier-Journal.] "I got a thermometer with which to regulate the temperature of our house." "But it doesn't seem to work at all.

THE DIVIDING LINE. [Philadelphia Ledger.] "He's very fond of drawing fine dis-

"Why, he tried to differentiate between love and emotional insanity.

PEACE SONG. [Lusana Clark Shea, in St. Louis Globe-Democrat.] We are longing for the dawning of the day when war shall cease, When all over the earth's surface there shall reign the Prince of Peace;

Let Peace go marching on! Let those who war would favor heed the mother's moans and tears. Let them think of orphaned children,

wives whose lives are spent in Of waste and ruin war has wrought through long and bitter years:

Let Peace go marching on! Send home the absent warriors, their vacant chairs await. Return unto the foundries the guns and armor-plate. And use the men and money to build up home and state:

Let Peace go marching on! May friendly mediation settle all dispute May the ruler of each nation seek to save each subject's life, And receive the adoration of each mother, child and wife:

COMMERCIALISM.

Let Peace go marching on!

[Cleveland Plaindealer.] Commercialism knows no ties of blood. Ironmaster Schwab fails to show any hesitation in accepting a contract to

WARSOME. [Cleveland Leader.] If Emperor Francis Joseph has really

been rejuvenated by the war, its effect however, we are not aware that they in many other cases has been decidedly SURRENDERS.

HEALTHFUL, [Washington Herald.] Not long ago people were going to Europe for their health. Now they are

[Toronto Star.] Sam gets under

a trooper at times; he will do as well as paign against him succeed."-Ottawa demoniacal roar and shattering of their demented town. Little puffs of smok This expression of opinion from a Liberal paper is quoted by the London Free dismissal his successor might easily Press (Con.) as showing that one Lib-have been worse.

Press (Con.) as showing that one Lib-its vitals.

though an earthquake were tearing at across the sky as though some arti-

tion of Major-Gen. Hughes." The only two papers that we know of that Gen. Hughes should quit saying foolish things and should go ahead doing work which, all things considered, he was doing well and with a vigor and lse in sight seemed quite as well quali-

Voice of the People

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readers, that the Overseas Club of Old

a hero in khaki by filling his pipe, and giving him the eigarette which he so loves. Every quarter you subbattlefield and our gallant boys are wait-

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DAILY WAR PUZZLE



Battery hidden in brush. Find two more soldiers. ANSWER TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE .- Right side down in front Prince. Upper left corner down behind Prince.

English Press On the War

[London News and Leader.] A nation which can afford to spend million on war can scarcely shrink from advancing an fraction of that sum to insure that the hope of the coming generation shall not be blasted at the source.

HEALTH OF THE TROOPS.

[London Times.] All the evidence goes to show that patches from the American relief comdisease has not yet become a weighty mission in Belgium tells us that a Then tyranny and greed for gain shall factor in the war. Illness there must suffering ones release:

| The tyranny and greed for gain shall factor in the war. Illness there must be, as a matter of course, and probably dependent upon soup kitchens for daily there is a good deal of it in the aggregate. Among such vast bodies of men, hundred in our cities stirs all hearts. even though they are of picked age and What would be the answer if we could physique, illness of different kinds is see with our own eyes hundreds of inevitable; but it has evidently not got thousands standing for hours to get the eyond control, and we may assume bare necessaries of life? Those able to that the means of dealing with it are give must make the necessary sacrifice fairly adequate.

THE BAYARD OF GREAT BRITAIN. [London Express.]

the mind of the nation in its proposal to erect a monument to Lord Roberts. paper, are still larger than they may No man ever attained a great position have looked to some of our rivals, be nd remained more completely master cause we have been in the habit o of his soul. No man ever more beauti- estimating and using our real assets fully combined success with modesty, much more conservatively than personal glory with persistent self- We have also an advantage over all the sacrifice, eminence with the desire to other beiligerents in that naval power serve. Lord Roberts epitomized everything that we like to think is character- | tribution to the war), though its mone istic of our race at its best. He was cost is higher in peace-time than that the Bayard of Great Britain.

HARMONIOUS ALLIES. [London Times.]

The French, under Napoleon, used to fight for glory, glory of the nation if not of the individual; but glory, even more than ambition, is the last infirmity brotherhood that exists and increases early freeing of Belgium from the

liar national interests for the sake of the common victory.

> NEED OF BELGIUM. [New York Press.]

Before the people of this country is a thing!' double duty towards the suffering in But the young officer jammed his Belgium and the hardships that face armored helmet on his head and said he many thousands of them starving. Dis- general absolutely refused, thensustenance. A bread-line of a few and give both here and in Belgium

LARGER THAN THEY LOOK.

[London Chronicle. The resources of the Kingdom and (which must always be our main cor of a huge conscript land army, adds much less to its cost when war break out, and interferes enormously less with the economic lie of the nation

KING ALBERT'S PLACE,

[Westminster Gazette.] Never has a foreign ruler held such of a noble mind, and it may mislead a place in the affection of the British people to shed its blood for a shadow. people as does King Albert Leopold to-There is some egotism in the pursuit, day. He has the satisfaction of know even, of national glory; but there is ing that though the majority of his one in the spirit with which the French people must celebrate his fete in alien, between their troops and ours. There vader, and that he and his consort wi never has been a war in which allies have the task of guiding the work have worked together so harmoniously restoring the country to its former for a common couse, in which they had prosperity after having helped to win

Daring Work of Airman

open country beyond Ypres. The val- rest for a brief few minutes to cool iant stand of the British continues. their flaming throats The Germans have been bringing up Over callbre, urged on by the idea that if just possible to see, in distant miniathey cannot drive us back they can ture, aspects of the maelstrom which demoralize us with the never-ceasing whirled there, round about and over the

I was well behind this battering yes- in trembling haste were flicbing ochr

Little ground has been gained by to make beauty and peace of the No-either side in the incessant battle which is still depring and reasons the is still flaming and roaring across the never tire and never sleep, but only

more blg guns of the "Jack Johnson" most persistent. From my hill it was huge missiles. Awful is the clamor of jerking up into the quiet air-drifting it; it never stops, and for miles and drifting, and then breaking, to vanis miles around the country shakes as into nothingness; streaks of fire, lite eral journals throughout the country I was well behind this battering yes-in trembling haste were flicking other that have been demanding the resignational terday, in a little town perched upon our lightning across his landscape can a fortified hill, within a bowshot of the vas, only to lose them again at the frontier line. What little wind there instant of impact; and then the daylight that have been demanding the resignation of Gen. Hughes are the Toronto brought the tumult nearer. It was the bectic cough of it long after the Telegram and Jack Canuck, neither of superlatively clear, the sky a serene faintly. Mostly the sky was too clear

-and the Worst Is Yet to Come



blue the aeroplanes were hawking the air in loops and circles and darting

The English birds were up, and about their pretty game as avid and untiring as swifts on a summer's evening. I saw nothing of the German machines; too many of their wings have to dismantle further an already been clipped the last week or two for

doing so much aerial damage of late.

Our Crack Flier. Our own air work was magnificently young — officer. Every day and all day—from dawn to sunset—he is up and about, doing the most wonderful things with the sunset—he is up been flogging us so mercilessly earlier in the day. ahead of the lark, he vo'planed from ahead of the lark, he vo'planed from right great height like a falling arrow right away and fled across country.

The general, who had been watching them-or, at least, make a brief morn- his field glasses, clapped his hands and ng call for breakfast. The Germans danced to and fro along the veranda. vere too astonished for the moment to o anything but gasp and gape at him. He was not only within point-blank range of infantry fire; a wide-calibre opgun could have easily plugged him. le impudently stopped his engine, dropped half a dozen "puffs" (as our Tommies call the aeroplane bombs) into a cavalry cluster, waved his hand, and off and up he went again. Hundreds of rifle shots whirred around him as h fied; two of them struck him, and three minutes later he was down in the Brit ish lines once more with blood trickling through the rents in his tunic. He was patched up and bandaged, had a good hearty lunch and before tea time he was up again in one of his mad frolics in the air.

"Silvely you've had enough for one day," said General —. "Have a rest at least until tomorrow. We don't want to lose these matinee performances of yours: they're too fine for any-

the unemployed at home. There are couldn't resist it. It was great fun, 7,000,000 war-wrecked Belgians, with and kept him fit. Of course, if the

The Signal. "By all means go if you are so keen on it," replied the general with a laugh. off he went, and the general and his staff watched the show. This particular afternoon the young officer excelled himself. An extremely well-screened German battery was doing nasty work

plain enough. And ever below the slam, plain enough. And ever below the slam, of the huge guns, with the slam of the huge guns, with the airman's quarry. Up and up he went in quick, climbing spirals; and when he hughing officer when he came down in quick, climbing spirals; and when he had been to mother earth once more, tired, but still jubilant. He congratulated him feet he poised for a spell to spot the lurking place of the battery. His first "You're almost too

signal was —gunners to plant their shells immediately below him. They fired; the shells fell some distance the right and did no more damage than mantled camp. The airman next sigtheir venturing anywhere within range nalled to tell the range-finders to swing of our snipers, our pom-pom shells, and their guns more to the left. Again it the new anti-aircraft shells, packed was too far. Again he signalled, and this time the light shrapnel, which have been this time the limber of the the limber of the foremost Prussian

gun, smashing up horses and men alike Good! Instantly the airman indicated that the range had been found a in the day. In five minutes all that was and about, doing the most abandon and things with the utmost abandon and left of it broke away from the cunning dare-devilry. The other morning, up accreen, at the making of which so thead of the lark, he vo planed from a much craft had been employed—broke

ough he intended to settle among this with tremendous interest through "Splendid, magnificent!" "The best show I've ever witnessed.

"You're almost too good to last!" h

The airman only laughed,



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