

Great Britain, but as a cold matter of fact they are having quite the contrary effect.

Were the protectionist Colonies to fall into line with the Mother land in regard to their trade policy, and thus place themselves in a position to share with Her the material benefit that the economic blunders of other nations are forcing upon Her; progress in population and wealth would be so rapid, and the union of the Empire become so real, that we should soon be able to guarantee the peace of the World single handed.

Until the Colonies do this, and other nations cease to tax their people for the purpose of paying part of the Englishman's sugar, butter, milk, bread, fruit, steel, and a thousand other bills, Statesmen need not worry over the supposed inability of the people of the Mother country standing the financial strain of defending the Empire; for whether foreign countries and the Colonies pay part of the Englishman's board and other bills, as they now do, or his army and navy bill, makes no difference to the Englishman's pocket. The wealth forced into the lap of the people of the United Kingdom every year, by this unique method adopted by foreign countries to ruin her, in all probability more than equals the vast expense of defending the Empire; the normal cost of which is about equal to 50% of the income of her people from foreign and colonial loans.

Danger to the union and continuity of the British Empire, need not even now be feared from the attacks of other nations, but lies in the fact,