

ENGLAND.

Sir John Eldon Bankes, one of the Justices of the King's Bench Division, has been appointed one of the Lords' Justices of Appeal, taking the place of the late Lord Justice Kennedy. Sir Frederick Low, K.C., has been appointed one of the Justices of the High Court of Justice, replacing Sir John Eldon Bankes in the King's Bench Division.

War Notes.

THE UNITED STATES.

A correspondent in the United States, in speaking of a possible raid upon Canada from German reservists, says: "The situation which we have to deal with is not the usual situation of war. The Germans, owing to their repeated failures in the war, are stung to a mad fury, and care nothing what they do so long as it gratifies their insane passion for vengeance. We are dealing with madmen, and not with ordinary enemies." He also says: "The feeling in the United States is all that could be wished. The leading newspapers from the Atlantic to the Pacific are unanimous in their denunciations of the German Propaganda, and popular feeling is so strong against Germans and German sympathizers that it affects even their trade. The defeat of the Ship Purchase Bill reflects this strong public sentiment, and the Administration clearly understands that, should it favour the Germans, it will run counter to the current of popular feeling."

We are glad to note that the feeling of the people of the United States as a whole continues to be (and this feeling we venture to think will increase) very friendly to England and the Allies. It certainly ought to be, as we are fighting her battles without any assistance. It may be doubted, however, whether the present administration sufficiently represents this feeling. It may be that the President's message to the Emperor of Germany on the occasion of his birthday was a customary courtesy, but it did not sound well at this time to say: "In behalf of the Government and people of the United States, I have the pleasure to extend to your Majesty cordial felicitations on this anniversary of your birth, as well as my own good wishes for your welfare." A more intelligent sense of neutrality would seem to have required at this time the omission of this birthday message; but it must be remembered that Mr. Wilson has an eye to votes in the near future, and thinks this may secure him some.