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### Could Britain Have Stood Alone?

A thoughtful writer in one of the leading papers says: "The outstanding discovery in international affairs has been that no one country is strong enough to stand alone. Great Britain would have been defeated, or at least severely handled, had she stood alone."

In that sentiment a fact, or is it a fallacy? If it is a fact, it is full of interest for the future, in spite of our close ties with our allies; but if it is a fallacy, it means the inevitable of our right little island and of the Empire of which it is the headquarter as well as the Motherland.

Let us suppose, then, that instead of attacking France and Russia, the German Powers of Central Europe had laid themselves out to annex the British Empire, and to do nothing else, and that the other nations of Europe had determined to keep out of the scrap and rest content with keeping the ring, how would the game stand today?

After two and a half years of war would the Empire have crumpled up? Would Germany be topdog, and would Australia and Canada and South Africa, as well as our vast Indian dominions, be under the rule of the Prussian Junker?

In the first place, how would the German Powers have set about the task of getting at us? What methods would they have tried to adopt during the past thirty months, or, adopting, have failed to make effective would have presented themselves?

Let us note some of the enemies' disabilities. The first is that the invasion of Belgium would not have taken place, and therefore presupposes the neutrality of Belgium, France also would be out of the fight, and therefore the main danger in this country would be non-existent—namely, the possibility of the occupation of the Channel ports.

The only exits from the Central Powers would have been the Heligoland Bight, the Skagerrak, the Atlantic, and the Bosphorus. The only case at present—a doubtful prospect—would have been the occupation of the Bosphorus and the Dardanelles.

Does anyone doubt the ability of the British Navy, especially after the exhibition of its almost superhuman might displayed during the past 30 months, to keep these narrow seas, under being crossed or lorked by anything but submarines?

They lay the grass grows on the deck walls of Hamburg and Cuxhaven, simply and solely because the British Fleet is in possession of the North Sea. Would it, or could it be otherwise, were opposing we stood alone?

Then we come to this: that the only method of an offensive against this country and the Empire at large must not be via the high seas, but via the high roads—where there are any!

It may be objected that the German Powers would have been difficult to blockade effectually, and that objection is sound. They would have had all the continent of Europe to buy from, as long as they had the money to buy with; but our Fleet could have prevented, as it prevents to-day, any overseas goods from reaching the Central Powers, and also have restricted all the neutrals to the goods required for their own consumption.

The result would be that the blockade would be a much longer job, and would never succeed in bringing the war to an end 'on its own,' as it may presumably succeed as things are at this moment.

But it may be further objected that the indefinite prolongation of the war would be ruinous to Britain, inasmuch as she would be economically unable to stand the strain, say, of a ten years' war.

But to that the answer is simple. What has caused the immense strain upon the resources of this country and Empire? Two things mainly. The necessity of financing and maintaining our allies, and the raising and equipping and transporting and maintaining an army of 5,000,000 men, and in addition another two or three millions detached from ordinary vocations for the supply of the Army with all the necessities of war.

Now, if Britain had been alone against the Central Powers, this tremendous armament would only not have been necessary, but would be actually hampering. There would then have been no question of finding an army on the Continent of Europe. We should be just as much precluded from breaking neutrally as the Central Empires, so that, as far as the soil of the enemy is concerned, we should be no more able to land an army than we are to-day.

The necessities of the case would be met by the establishment and arming of a sufficient force to repel an invasion in the form of a raid, with a good margin to spare for any mishap to the Fleet, for it goes without saying that if the Fleet is defeated this Empire falls automatically, and the basis of this article is the proved inviolability of the British Fleet.

This a million men would have been the limit of our requirements to make assurance doubly sure, by a couple of millions—for the purpose of home defence, the guarding of the road to Egypt and the road to Persia, whilst, having command of the Persian Gulf.

Even our food supply would be less precarious than at present, for the necessities would not be closed; of the Mediterranean—France and Italy could be our suppliers almost as in normal times, as they would be on the combat, and therefore able to deal with us.

Thus we could not be starved on the Continent, nor how would our Empire threaten its existence? As a matter of fact as Bismarck said, a war between Germany and Britain is like a battle between the whale and the elephant; and, while we could not stand aside and see France overrun and Germany established all along the line of the Channel, a declaration of war against ourselves alone would have been inflationary in its action.

And this consideration brings us to the inevitable conclusion that, as far as we are concerned, the chief term in the peace we all hope for in the near future must be the forced limitation of the naval strength of the Central Empires to such ships of war as they require for the protection of their coasts and harbours.

### Where it is Cold.

On the hottest day in summer a flying man may be in the Arctic regions a few minutes by mounting to a height of 10,000 ft., just as the climber may pass through all the shades of temperature by climbing Kilimanjaro, that giant peak which rises above the snowline from the Equator. He commences with the tropical jungle and ends amid eternal snow.

The fact is that the temperature is unvariable low at 10,000 ft. and over whether at the tropics or the poles, and it is quite likely to be lower at the equator.

At these upper regions intense cold of those upper regions and they need the rig-out of a Shackleton if they would mount to 20,000 ft. above the earth's surface. In fact, there is little variation of temperature at these upper reaches of the atmosphere. It is much the same in summer as in winter, except for the difference which a high wind makes.

Even in the depth of a hot summer the airman will encounter forty degrees of frost at 10,000 ft., and at twice that altitude a hundred degrees of frost—the temperature of the South Pole—is not un-usual.

### Ministerial Pick-Me-Ups.

Mr. Lloyd George performed his remarkable feat of speaking for nearly two hours with an occasional sip of water, preceded by a voice lounge.

Mr. Gladstone was very partial to egg flip on the occasion of his great orations. The veteran statesman brought the nourishment in a bottle of handy size, and deposited it on the table in readiness for his needs.

Mr. Robert Peel generally prepared himself for any great effort by eating several custards, which were made in small white basins about the size of a breakfast cup. At the present time the same type of custard in the same type of cup basin is provided by the refreshment department of the House of Commons.

The great William Pitt delighted in a pork pie after a big speech. It is said that when he heard of Australia he said: "I am glad to hear that the pig has been sent to the top of Europe," but Disraeli gave it as his opinion that Pitt's dyking words were: "Oh, for one of Belgium's pork pies."

### Moose as Engineer.

A field mouse which had fallen into a hole dug to receive a telegraph pole displayed ingenuity and perseverance in affecting its escape. The first job or so he ran round the bottom of the hole trying to find some means of escape, but could not climb out, then he settled down to business. He began steadily and systematically to dig a spiral groove round and round the inner surface of the hole, with a uniformly ascending grade. He worked night and day, and as he dug farther from the bottom he dug little pockets where he could either lie or sit at rest.

The telegraph workers, who were curious to know how he would escape, supplied the little engineer with food. At the end of two weeks the mouse struck a rock. For nearly a day he tried to get under, around or over the obstruction, without success. With unflinching patience he reversed his spiral and went on tunnelling his way to the opposite direction. At the end of four weeks he reached the top, and probably afraid to enjoy his well-earned freedom.

How David Garrick Made His Fortune.

It is said that Garrick had had no more than his salary as an actor he would have had little to leave at his death. He made his fortune as a sole proprietor, and for a time as sole proprietor of Drury Lane Theatre, so that the amount set down to himself was practically nominal. When he retired from the stage in 1779 he sold half his share in the theatre for thirty-five thousand pounds. He was probably the only actor who consistently made Shakespeare pay, and like Shakespeare he was actor, author and proprietor.

It may be recalled that Garrick, who had no enemies outside his own profession, was the grandson of a Frenchman exiled at the revolution of the Hotel de Nantes, and that his father was a captain in the Army.

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"Many a man has come back in spite of the fact that he has burned his bridges behind him."

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### What is a Subscriber?

A court decision has lately been rendered in Massachusetts on what constitutes a subscriber.

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Robinson had received the paper for some time, he informed the collector, but he said that he never subscribed, and declined to pay for it.

Judgment was rendered in favor of the newspaper. The judge was severe in his criticism of the people who receive papers and do not think it worth while to pay for what they receive and make use of. It is an act of dishonesty, he said. One should acquit the publisher and pay for whatever number he receives.—W. J. Sandette, O. Union Republic.

### Torturing, Itching Eczema.

Mr. J. B. Huest, Painesville, Ohio, writes: "I have been completely cured of that horrible disease, eczema. I was held as if in prison from going among other people, for I was ashamed of the raw, flaming sores. Doctors could do nothing for me and I was almost despondent with suffering when I began to use Dr. Chase's Ointment. In one month I was completely cured and think that this was little short of a miracle."

### Punishment and Crime.

In the City of London Records of 1764 it is stated that a certain John Penrose, a taverner, was convicted of selling unsound and unwholesome wines to the contempt of the King, to the shameful disgrace of the officers of the City and to the grievous damage of the commonalty. His sentence was to be imprisonment struck a rock. For nearly a day he tried to get under, around or over the obstruction, without success. With unflinching patience he reversed his spiral and went on tunnelling his way to the opposite direction. At the end of four weeks he reached the top, and probably afraid to enjoy his well-earned freedom.

Our ancestors had a fine sense of making the punishment fit the crime. A man who surreptitiously tapped a London water conduit in 1478 was set on a horse with a vessel like a conduit on his head. Out of the vessel, which was constantly replenished with water, ran a number of small pipes. These played merrily upon the offender as he was led round to the nice conduits of the City where his guilt was publicly proclaimed.

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### The Bank of England.

The Bank of England now exceeds, in its busy with the War Loan, is 100,000,000,000, as most people think, a Government institution. It is a private company, but keeps a good profit by acting as the nation's banker. The remuneration paid to the Bank of England for the National Debt was fixed in 1906 as a yearly sum at the rate of £35 per million pounds of such debt up to the rate of 500 million, and at the rate of £100 for every million pounds above this amount. On this basis, assuming a total war loan of £500,000,000 pounds, the bank's remuneration will work out at about £50,000,000 annually, to say nothing of the income they receive for managing the old National Debt, which, on the outbreak of the present war, was something like £50,000,000.

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