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"We are fighting for a worthy purpose, and we shall not lay down our arms until that purpose has been fully achieved"—H. M. The King.

TO THE PEOPLE OF THE EMPIRE—Every fighting unit we can send to the front means one step nearer peace.

### AMERICA'S STRONG STAND

The American note to Austria in connection with the sinking of the Italian steamer Ancona is by all means the strongest pronouncement that has emanated from Washington since the commencement of the war. It is the sort of document the world expected but did not receive when the Lusitania was sent to the bottom, and in every line and phrase it breathes evidence that at last the great American nation has awakened to the fact that it cannot stand supinely by and allow the disciples of German Kultur to continue unchecked in their murderous attacks upon innocent and unarmed non-combatants.

It is not well, however, to judge the American case too severely, or to be too free of censure for the previous inactivity of Washington. No nation on the face of the earth, not actually engaged in war, has suffered so severely from the pernicious German policy of "peaceful penetration" as have our neighbors to the south. In times of peace Germans flocked to the United States by the tens of thousands and although a very large proportion of them complied with the formalities in the way of taking out their naturalization papers, yet to all intents and purposes they have always remained true subjects of the Fatherland, ever ready to work in Germany's interests, even though their efforts in that direction made it necessary for them to step aside from the path they had obligated themselves to follow as good citizens of the American republic.

These gentlemen, for the most part, have been little more than German agents, sent abroad, as were the emissaries of old, to spy out the land and secure for the advantage of the Kaiser all that might be worth taking. Thus it is that although the chiefs of the band, the Dumbas, the Boy-Eds, and the Von Papens have been removed from their sphere of activities, the multitude of private workers still remain to pursue their nefarious calling.

Those of the American people who are not pro-British are pro-German, and it may fairly be said that had it not been for the very large influx of German citizens into that country during the past twenty-five years the sympathies of the nation would be wholly British. As it is there are millions of hyphenated Americans who will never permit the obligations of their American citizenship to interfere with what they conceive to be their duty to the land of their birth.

This being the case, and indubitably it is the case, the President of the United States is to be congratulated on the very firm attitude his government has adopted in the note to Austria. It is now necessary to insist upon a prompt and satisfactory reply. The note itself does not permit of evasion and it is the plain duty of the American government to see to it that all its terms are complied with.

### THE VALLEY RAILWAY.

The call for tenders for the completion of the Valley Railway and its equipment in shape for operation, aside from rolling stock, which is made this morning by the directors of the company, is plain evidence that even in war times and despite the prevailing scarcity of money for all construction enterprises, the Government of New Brunswick is prepared to fulfill its bond to the people and provide railway facilities down the St. John valley.

The Valley Railway has had a chequered career but it does not lie in the mouths of the Liberal opponents of the Clarke Government to indulge in criticism or condemnation. If the Laurier government had done its duty when the National Transcontinental was being planned, and routed that road down the valley of the St. John, its natural and logical course, it would not have been necessary for any provincial government to undertake what under any circumstances must be a troublesome project. Premier Clarke and his colleagues did well to accomplish what they have and now that the construction work is to be speedily completed all will unite in the hope that the new line will have a most successful and prosperous career. Those portions of the line already in operation have shown that good business can be worked up and when the

whole system is completed there is no doubt it will prove a most profitable investment for province and people.

### THE ATMOSPHERE OF VICTORY.

The Times' editor is right when he insists that it is necessary to create throughout the city a "war atmosphere" and with that end in view, declares that "every minister in St. John should not only speak at recruiting meetings but deliver recruiting sermons and urge his people not merely to attend recruiting meetings but to organize them." Such a programme for the city clergy requires no defence, neither should it be necessary to make excuses for the holding of patriotic meetings on Sunday evenings.

The great recruiting meeting of last Sunday night was certainly an inspirational one. Some of the greatest church leaders in Canada, men of light and leading, such as His Lordship the Bishop of Fredericton, and Rev. Dr. Bruce Taylor, minister of the leading Presbyterian church in the Dominion, impressed upon their hearers that this was a most righteous war and that unless the Empire won it there would be an end for many years to all that is most valued in our Christian civilization.

Some of the city clergymen have rendered Herculean service in the cause of recruiting, others have done little or nothing and it may fairly be asked why? Some clergymen have gone so far as to make their churches uncomfortable for young men who should be in khaki and are not, but there are other churches in this city in which vastly more than has been done might be done in order to create that necessary war atmosphere.

Also there are several prosperous fraternal societies with large membership and flourishing exchequers. Why should they not participate in the recruiting campaign? Why not organize meetings, provide speakers and entertainment and do everything possible to assist the handful of men who have been carrying on the work? This war is not the business of a few, or of any special group of men; it is, or should be, the business of all and the most important business requiring attention at the present time. Until the Empire's problem is solved all other business should take second place. An atmosphere of war, yes, more than that, an atmosphere of victory is required in St. John and the clergymen and fraternities could well assist in creating it. There are battalions yet to be raised to which the youth of St. John must contribute very largely. The filling of these battalions is of the utmost importance. Are the leaders in the community doing their full duty?

### FORD'S JONAH.

The Old Testament story of Jonah relates that when the prophet reluctantly took ship for that very wicked city of Tarshish a hurricane arose and the crew, in terror of their very lives, decided to cast him overboard. But as nearly as can be gathered that old time hurricane did not commence to compare for fury and vigor with the "wind storm" which has arisen on board Henry Ford's peace ship.

Wireless reports are responsible for the information that the angelic evangelists of peace who are journeying to Europe at the automobile king's expense, are having a very lively time among themselves as to the manner in which they are to set about imposing peace on the benighted citizens of those pagan courts now engaged in settling momentous questions at the point of the bayonet or by the arbitrament of armed force.

What a pity there isn't a real old-fashioned whale in the North Sea, such as the famous old song told about. If he could be persuaded to follow the Oscar II, he might find a twentieth century Jonah with whom he could become intimate. Failing this means of appeasing the wrath of the peaceable peace people on the Ford craft the tender mercies of a German submarine might prove effective. Meanwhile it is interesting to note that no matter how the wind blows the Jitney man succeeds in securing a lot of valuable advertising at a very cheap price.

### The British Soldier.

The "Snapper" monthly magazine, published by the East Yorkshire Regiment.

Would you like to hear a secret?  
How the British Soldier's made,  
How it is there's naught can beat them  
Think you, sir, "die on parade."

When you see lads join the Army  
See them, round-backed, awkward,  
One, two, three, four, five, six, seven,  
It's a stiff mill they go through.

True, their parades, gymnastic training,  
Bring them out and make them smart.  
But what we aim at in the Service  
Is to train their head and heart.

Just before they join the Service  
All the Army seems the same,  
Every man is just a soldier,  
Every Regiment just a name.

Soon he learns that each brave regiment  
Has a pride that can't be beat,  
Knows that his own special regiment  
Means all other corps to beat.

Soon his heart is with his regiment,  
With his King and Country too,  
Sooner than see their name tarnished  
Worse than Hell's fires he'd go through.

On the sporting field in peace time  
On the battle field in war,  
'Tis the honor of his regiment  
Tommy knows he's fighting for.

Love of Empire, love of Regiment,  
Tommy understands their worth,  
And that's what makes the British soldier,  
The finest fighter on the earth.

ONE LEG AND A SWINGER.  
Hull, 6-11-15.

### HOTEL ARRIVALS.

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### Dufferin.

J. M. Spear, Sussex; Miss Hazel E. Winter, Fredericton; H. Trueman, Winnipeg; H. H. Carr, Truro; J. H. Corcoran, Moncton; H. M. Armstrong, Chipman; J. Cook, J. A. Hunter, R. G. Mac, C. Whitcomb, J. L. Cooke, F. E. Cummings, C. H. LeTourneur, Montreal; S. L. Gates, Port Williams; M. E. Price, Sussex; H. Warren, Toronto; B. E. Dakin, Halifax; F. C. Hinkley, Bangor; Dr. B. Lees Stevens, Hampton; Miss Doris King, Chipman; Capt. Davies, 140th Battalion.

### LOGGIEVILLE NOTES

Loggieville, N. B., Dec. 13.—The past week was one of great social activity in the town here. On Thursday evening "Starlight" lodge celebrated its first anniversary by holding a social evening in the lodge rooms. A number of guests were present. Enjoyable games of various kinds were indulged in and lunch was served by the members of the society. Speeches, solos, etc., were given during the evening. A good time is reported by those who attended.

The above mentioned society, which is a branch of the Rebecca Order, has made marked progress during its first year of existence. The membership of the lodge has been increased considerably of late, and even better things are looked forward to in the incoming year.

On Thursday evening the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Loggie was the scene of a social gathering, when the Ladies' Aid Society of Knox church met to spend the evening. The members of the society were accompanied by a number of friends. Interesting games were enjoyed by the company. Delicious refreshments were served at the lunch hour.

Mrs. Wm. Edge entertained the Missionary Society on Wednesday afternoon. A recruiting meeting is to be held in the Temperance Hall on Thursday evening of this week. This will be the first meeting of this kind held in the town here. All the citizens are deeply interested.

Miss Jennie Noble, who spent some days at her home in Hardwicke, recently returned to town last week.

Miss Eva Deady returned home from Bathurst last week. Horatio Smith, who spent the past week at his old home in Black River is loud in praise of the reception given him by his friends there. It is some time since Mr. Smith visited that section of the country and he reports

### Little Benny's Note Book

BY LEE PAPE.

I had a fearful tooth ache last night and pop had to tell me to get up and put olive oil down it. With she did, saying, Now you go to bed and you had to go to the dentist tomorrow morning, don't you?

Yes, I said, to the dentist, I said.  
And no mummy blinies about it, either, you've got to go, and pop.  
I'll go, I'll rise, this beats fear, I said. And I went back to bed holding my face and wishing it was morning so I could go to the dentist, and this morning when I woke up the tooth ache was all better, and I went down for breakfast I didn't say anything about teeth or anything, and ma said, Well, Benny, I suppose you remember where your going before school this morning.

Wah, I said.  
To the dentist, that's what, and I want you to go with him, farthir, to make sure he goes, and ma.

It's a pleasure to make sure that somebody else goes to the dentist, and pop. And after breakfast he and I walked around to the dentist's house, me saying, I might be late for school if I go to the dentist now, pop.

That would be a unusual calamity, wouldn't it, and pop. Meaning I am jennelly late for school anyway. And when we got to the dentist's house, pop said, Now, I'll stand outside here till I see you go inside, I haven't time to wait any longer, the office calls to me. With I wawked up the dentist's front steps and a sine sed, Wawk I without ringing. With I did, only a bell rang when I opened the door and keep awn ringing till I closed it again, and the dentist came to the top of the stairs and saw somebody standing there, being me.

Wy, hello, Benny, sed the dentist, come awn up. With I did, saying, I eist want to see you about something.

About teeth, I sippose, sed the dentist.  
No air, I sed.

Wait, then, sed the dentist.  
I want to go to the dentist to buy a dawg, I sed.  
Have you got wun to sell, sed the dentist.

No air, I sed.  
You hop into this chare, sed the dentist. With I did, and he looked in my mouth, saying, Ah hah, ah hah, I see a hole, I'm going to fill it up. With he did, herting farse for a wile, and then I went to school and let any fello look into my mouth that would to, about 10 wanting to.

tion of the country and he reports  
many changes.

At the Sunday evening meeting in the Young Peoples Society their new lantern was used for the first time. The meeting was of a missionary character and interesting slides on the life of Livingstone were shown. An address on the life of this great missionary was cleverly handled by Rev. W. J. Rosborough. A paper bearing on the women's missionary work in Canada was read by Miss Bertie Logie. The two illustrated hymns were heartily rendered. A missionary male quartette was sung by Messrs. Simpson, Dempsey, Herby and Hornbrook. The devotional exercises were led by the president, J. W. S. Babbick.

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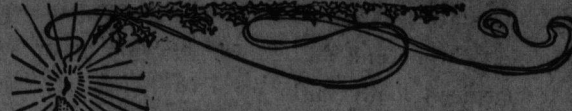
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No Boy or Girl must be over fifteen years of age. The solution must be in this office by Wednesday, and will be taken into account in the next issue. The correct solution, I shall send in the next issue of merit will receive a prize. These are the jumbled words:

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