

A Glorious End.

"WHAT HAVE WE GAINED? THE WHOLE WORLD'S PRAISE, FRIENDSHIP AND TRUST AS IT STANDS AT GAZE."

The armistice which was signed yesterday marks the end of the war and the complete and overwhelming triumph of the cause of right, which is the cause of the Allies. It is not the final treaty of peace. That may not be signed for some weeks or months. It is the end of the slaughter and suffering. The terms which we set forth in this page, though not hard, are such as to prevent any possibility of the renewal of the struggle. The British nation has every reason to receive them with solemn thanksgiving and gratitude.

"The mills of God grind slowly, but they grind exceedingly small." And to him who has so ordered events that as men look back this war seems like the culmination of all modern history and the final vindication of justice all will bow the head in praise. The Allies have triumphed, not because of their strength, though that was immense, but because they fought for a great and noble cause.

Our glorious soldiers and our Allies have endured to the end. With a constancy which is above praise, after years of agony and effort they have wrested triumph from failure. It is to the everlasting honor of our country that in the hour of decision she turned against the voices which bade her purchase ease with shame. Unprepared when war came, slow to realize what was required even when the Germans in their millions swept down upon Belgium, she yet rose to the emergency with a spirit more magnificent than she had ever before displayed. She has surprised even those who loved her most by the splendour of her efforts, the magnitude of her sacrifices, the unflinching tenacity of her purpose, the generosity and tolerance of her spirit, the matchless heroism of her manhood and youth. The living generation have seen her realise that great ideal of her greatest sons in the past, "of millions of men uniting to

form one champion of the oppressed all over the world, and casting aside all thought of self-interest." For our noble Allies no praise can be too high. France and Belgium faced the first shock with unfaltering devotion and steadfastness, and have borne without murmuring the wicked devastation of their territory and the cruel oppression of their peoples. Italy after many vicissitudes has achieved that complete union which was the dream of her teachers and poets. Serbia has risen, as it were, from the grave to take a glorious part in the final victory. The United States came to the aid of freedom in its darkest hour. Greece under M. Venizelos rendered precious help. Nor will the free peoples forget hapless Russia, who before German-subvented criminals overwhelmed her had accomplished so much.

In this day of rejoicing there will be one thought present in every heart and home—the thought of the dead who won for us this victory by their sacrifice, and now lie "dark to the triumph which they died to gain." Only the eloquence of a Pericles could do justice to their fame and make some payment of the immense debt which humanity owes them—they who, "when the shock of battle came chose rather to suffer to the utmost than to win life by weakness, and giving their lives to their country received each for his own memory praise that will never die." The bravest and best are under the soil in France. The redeemed land holds its redeemers. The spring has gone out of our year with the loss of that "swift and joyful generation" which welcomed the call and obeyed.

Proudly they gathered, rank on rank to war. As who had heard God's message from afar. All they had hoped for, all they and they gave. Mankind—themselves they scorned to save.

A Lover of Many Ladies.

(By a Neutral Secret Service Agent.)

Like Solomon, Dr. Richard von Kuhlmann, the Kaiser's dethroned peace emissary, about whom the whole world was not long ago talking, loved many strange women.

From his teens upwards, the most accomplished liar in the service of the Fatherland—for thus, I think, he may be described—has been a ladies' man. Girls and young women have loved their heads over him; rich old maids and impressionable elderly married women have lavished wealth upon him with a view to advancing his social and political career. Outraged husbands have thrashed him; he has paid breach of promise damages to more than one lady of the ballet; and, in addition to the scandal in which he figured not long ago, he has been the central character in many unsavoury episodes.

The first of Kuhlmann's matrimonial ventures was arranged for him after long and careful consideration. The hearts of the beauties of Berlin were throbbing wildly. Match-making mammas were spending anxious moments. The idea that this Lothario would marry any but a girl of striking beauty was scouted as untenable.

An Ironmonger's Ugly Daughter. But, unknown to these female aspirants, negotiations were taking place behind the scenes concerning

von Kuhlmann's marriage knot. The Powers recognised that one day von Kuhlmann would become a power in German politics. He was young and headstrong and a terror among the ladies. Also he was poor. If his undoubted talents were to be used to the best advantage for the glory of the Fatherland, he must marry not only money but a woman who would conveniently efface herself when necessary, and not covet even the reflected glory which is supposed to be the legitimate portion of the wife of a rising Hun statesman.

From personal knowledge I can state that his Majesty himself had a hand in the negotiations. It is, by the way, one of the Kaiser's pet pastimes to "arrange" marriages. He appointed a small but absolutely trustworthy committee with the delicate task of finding von Kuhlmann a suitable matrimonial mate.

They looked round. Their attention eventually centred on a family called von Stumm. August Wilhelm, the head of this house, was once a humble Westphalian blacksmith. Then he set up as an ironmonger. He became ambitious, went into society, and by the time he was forty-seven years of age, held an important position in the so-called "Anglo-American" department of the

German Foreign Office.

The Beau Brummel of Berlin! Now, von Stumm had a daughter. I have seen her hundreds of times and, without being unduly complimentary, I can say that she was the plainest and most unattractive specimen of the typical German hausfrau I have seen. And this was the woman the Kaiser's confidential advisers chose for the wife of von Kuhlmann, the Beau Brummel of Berlin!

The Kaiser's capital rocked with laughter. Von Kuhlmann himself was wild with rage. Then the ugly woman's great fortune was pointed out to him, and Majesty's emissary emphasised how vastly important a part the fat Frauellen could play in his political career. He married her with a set, amused smile on his features and "Pa" Stumm was ennobled.

Kuhlmann had exemplified the noblest traditions of the Prussian aristocracy by marrying money, and there the matter ended. His marriage did not in the least degree curtail von Kuhlmann's amours. He practised them all over Europe wherever diplomatic duty called him, and the wife whose money had made the pathway of his life so smooth remained neglected. Only occasionally, and for diplomatic reasons did she appear in the limelight.

But even a German woman cannot live without love. Frau Kuhlmann at last tired of being a wife in name only. She had ample evidence for a divorce, and at length she secured her freedom.

Now that he is dethroned, who will von Kuhlmann's second victim be?—Pearson's Weekly.

Cause of Early Old Age

The celebrated Dr. Michenoff, an authority on early old age, says that it is "caused by poisons generated in the intestine." When your stomach digests food properly it is absorbed without forming poisonous matter. Poisons bring on early old age and premature death. 15 to 30 drops of "Sage's Syrup" after meals makes your digestion sound, so

Days the Navy Will Remember.

(Daily Mail.)

On the evening of August 4, 1914, a British cruiser was carrying out a lonely patrol on one of our most important trade routes. For four days she had been at sea, and almost hourly her officers had expected to receive news that war had broken out.

German cruisers were in the vicinity, and their wireless had been intercepted from time to time—events which provided an interesting after-dinner talk at night. In the middle of a general argument on the relative merits of Marconi and Telefunken wireless systems the admiralty secretary appeared at the wardroom door and quietly read out from a paper in his hand: "War will be declared on Germany at 11 o'clock to-night. It is possible that fire may be opened in the meantime."

There was no cheering or outward display of excitement. Conversation ceased for a moment; one or two officers quietly slipped out of the mess, but the majority were content to await the next move. Five minutes later bugles sounded "General Quarters," and the decks resounded with the banging of hatches and hoarse orders shouted to gun crews and ammunition parties. "The Day" had arrived, but we at all events had not been caught napping.

On the night of December 12, 1916, the cruiser was in harbour, no longer a solitary ship miles from England, but part of a great fleet which anxiously awaited the day that the supremacy should be challenged. The wardroom dinner had just finished, and the wine was about to be passed to drink the toast of "The King" when a signal was handed to the commander.

After a moment's hesitation he called for silence and proceeded to read the message aloud. It was the Kaiser's famous peace proposal. On hearing the opening sentences some thought that peace had come suddenly in 1916 as war had come in 1914, but the next few clauses soon banished all such thoughts. Surprise, derision, disgust—in fact, anything but satisfaction—appeared on the faces of the mess.

After dinner the usual amusements were abandoned to discuss the import of the peace proposals. We saw that Germany, in spite of her olive branch, could have no real desire for peace, and had adopted this course to impress neutrals, encourage pacifists, and sow dissension among the Allies in the hope of gaining by diplomacy what she was unable to seize with the mailed fist. It was a relief to know a few days later that the country shared our views.

To-day we await yet another message—one that will tell of our efforts being finally crowned with success. There will be cheers this time and for a few hours at least we shall give vent to our feelings. But later in that night of nights many of us will wonder what the future has in store for the Navy and those who have devoted the best years of their lives to its service. The year 1919 may give the answer. —H. B. S.

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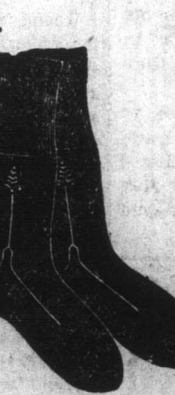
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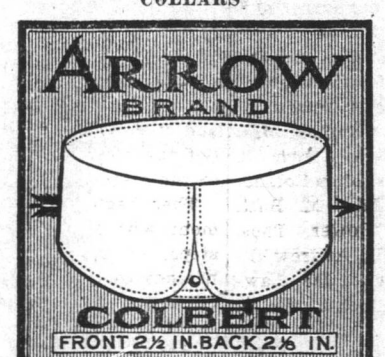


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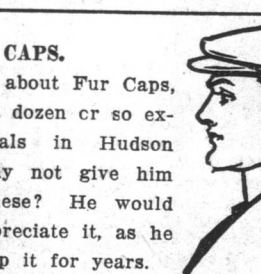


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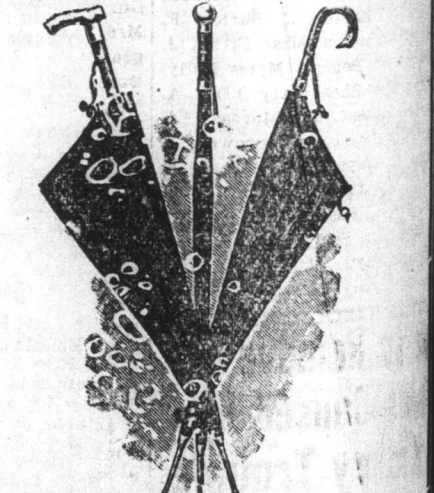
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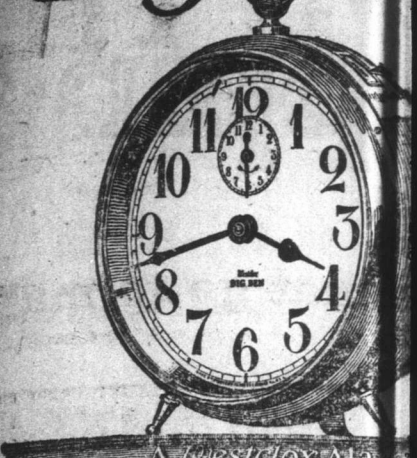
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