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The Storm and Its Lesson.

The storm has brought an acute if temporary crisis in the transportation situation. The roads are doing their best, but are able to accomplish little. Who can doubt but that under unified management, with one thoroly efficient system, we would have at least one transcontinental that indescribable intellectual laziness, in that profound slumber of the course horself with international train making its way across the continent and much better local service was always peculiar to the Osmans. The law.

than now is possible?

The competitive system, with its duplication of service and its desire for profit, proved inefficient in the great storm of war. It had to be abandoned in the United Kingdom and in the United States. Canada is mentally sterile Asiatic horde inflicted on all forms of practical intelligence, that the first of the first o the only belligerent nation which still clings to the handicap of railways Christian civilization still bleed after 500 he is destined to inherit all the fruits controlled and managed by private corporations. Canada will yet have to get in step with other civilized countries upon the railway question.

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A great storm like the one now raging would seriously tie up any system, however well managed, but the situation would be better handled by Christian Burope must not have the the former wrote before the muzzling or a national system under one supreme control. The lesson of the passing storm now raging about us, like the lesson of the great war storm now be destroyed; so that it may no longer services of German pamphleteers had be destroyed; so that it may no longer petitive management to deal with a big situation. Only public ownership subjects."

endanger the human rights of Christian benefitized by the government for and operation can ride on the whirlwind and direct the storm.

The Coal Situation.

Another and very serious interruption in the delivery of coal will be The result of the great storm of Saturday. The blizzard tied up railway he would be metaphorically pole-axed by the abuse and insinuation of partiality. service in every direction, and the intense cold that accompanied and fol- one more quotation. lowed the storm both intensifies the need for coal and retards the resump
a just claim on the part of the Russians, tual descendants, Dr. Wiedenfeld, who

of deliveries.

And Germany will not oppose it, if Russia has the strength to defend it with the selves to make Turkey strong we have cost in the large consumers' cellars, and this would be one way of relieving sword." the government of responsibility. We do not believe that surpluses are very common. Mr. O'Connor speaks of the surplus over two months' supthe brain of his greatest historian, system lies in this, that, if the need arose, ply, but that would only carry us to the middle of March, and in ordinary Treitschke! Treitschke, the great advertix would be the direct instrument for the seasons there are many weeks' wintry weather in large areas of the country tizer of the Hohenzollerns, the favorite exercise of pressure upon England."

We repeat that there is no system in handling the coal requirements of the country. The rule-of-thumb method might pull us thru if there more or less generous souls of youthful were plenty of coal. But coal supplies are notoriously short. The people and sceptical Germans, these potent not usually advertize in advance the of the United States are as badly off as we.

Some one raised the cry of an embargo against Canada. If it came from the coal dealers it was a malicious cry. The United States authori- Century." ties have been very fair to Canada, and the agreement to place the Dominion, in the matter of coal supplies, on the same basis as the Republic exhibits a large and friendly spirit on the part of our neighbors.

The point is, however, that we do not know how much coal we want, alien even to the least advanced Euroand that no steps have been taken, locally or federally, to make an equitable distribution of the coal that is received. All who have no coal should first be served, but who knows definitely who they are? Those who have not sufficient coal to carry them thru the season should be adequately supplied before any cellars are filled for next season.

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Prices are not a consideration in some cases, but no one should be should long ago have been purged from allowed to perish with cold on account of lack of means to buy fuel. We the system of Europe.

are making great efforts for the French and Belgians, but the Canadians at home need some consideration, too.

There are several things that must be done to remedy the coal situation, which will be worse next winter than this unless stops are taken. The tion, which will be worse next winter than this unless steps are taken. The nationalization of the railways, especially the Grand Trunk, is, indispensable. We said so last spring, but nothing was done, and we are suffering their seats in the Balkan Zug bound on the congenial mission of or-spanizing amicable little massacres of exploitation, moribund millionaires and eks and Armenians! Being a Prussion, so on, suddenly awake to the fact that We said so last spring, but nothing was done, and we are suffering sian apologist he would probably gulp there is an octopul by their death-beds, able. We said so last spring, but nothing was done, and we are suffering from the neglect. There must be a municipal reserve in sufficient quantity to tide over any possible deficiency thru the season by reason of failure of winter deliveries. It should equal one month's supplies. There should be a fairly accurate knowledge based on returns of the actual household and other requirements of coal for the season. The household consumption could be ascertained by the assessors with little difficulty. Factories and to the life of the community it is remarkable that this has never been done, and that we are content to live from hand to mouth and trust to luck. It is a phase of our inefficiency.

We depended on the coal merchants. The government also depended on the coal merchants last spring. They could handle the situation, we were told. We have learned how they handled it. We trust the government has learned also. The experience for thousands has been a bitter one. There is need for a fuel department and, perhaps, a fuel minister to one. There is need for a fuel department and, perhaps, a fuel minister to
the government, or at any rate a deputy minister, as much as there is in
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panies, including the Canadian Pacific. any other national activity. Our fuel resources and our supplies from the Pacific Railway Company, sends us the States must be organized. It is no credit to our Canadian intelligence

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TREITSCHKE IN A FEZ

By H. WAKEFIELD.

"We think Turkey's rule ripe for destruction. She is Europe's most miserable state. The Osmanii are decaying, body and soul: their graphs are at its reatest period, lacked all moral sub-tance. If you enquire what it has rought for the well-being and civilization of mankind only one answer is pos-sible. Nothing. The ruination of the system of government did not consist in man is distributed someone must benefit. the brutal outrages of individual mag- Why not the Teuton? that profound slumber of the soul, which not concern herself with international

gallant ally were shown to that ungram- cess of enlightenment much assisted by matical entity, the "average German," well-timed bribes on the one hand, and he would probably exclaim tersely and well-timed concessions on the other. emphatically, "British lies!" And then Possibly this may be considered merely

panegyrist of all things Prussian.

Still today, when it is required to administer stiff doses of Prussianism to the villed exploitation. One can but wonder draughts are helped down by the reassuring candy provided by the author

That great writer obviously loathed the Turks. He regarded them as effete, barbarous, corrupt survivals, utterly tolerating this toxic invasion, which cajole and then nobble Turkey was seen

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preaching the mutual benefits of Prussia. If these rather forcible criticisms of his to Turkey and Turkey to Prussia; a pro-

scene of their future activities, but this The History of Germany in the 19th characteristic in all German pamphleteer naive and exuterant candor is a recessive ing; Bernhardi, Freytag-Loringhoven and other famous names are witnesses to

> It is quite certain that the views of Treitschke are still those of the intelliwhen Germany alone of all the great powers refused to protest against the

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their private owners, in the case of the C.P.R., and in averting serious financial difficulties in the case of the less prosperous lines.

GERMANS REVERTING TO ANCESTRAL TYPE

The following members have been nominated for the various offices for 1918 at the regular meeting of the Massey-Harris Toronto Employes M. B. Society: President, S. Banks and P. J. Hannigan; vice-president, E. Grey and John Roxburgh; secretary-treasurer, T. Carruthers and James Vahey; auditors (two to be elected), J. Appleton, Joe Coulter, J. Hibbard and Fred Walker.

GETS PAST CHIEF'S JEWEL.

Soing back to the pagan ancestors, from God to Odin. Her dream was a gospel of might. Her ideals were "wind than yorice." The Christian ideal was right at any price. "Let England go down to defeat and become lost to the nations of the world rather than worship the gods that Germany has set up," were the sentiments expressed by the speaker. "It is not fair to call Give that much, they did as well as last year and gave \$250,000, they would be doing all they could. But it is hoped frey will do better. "Oh, I think they will come up better than worship the gods that Germany has set up," were the sentiments expressed by the speaker. "It is not fair to call Germany a Christian nation after bearing some of her leading theologians freely criticize Christ with no reverence." he said.

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At the annual meeting of Strathclyde Camp, No. 17, S.O.S., in the LO.
O.F. Temple, Bathurst street, the officers for 1918 were duly installed by
Bro. John Roxburgh, D.D.G.C. On
behalf of the camp the district deputy
presented Bro. Jas. Duncan, the retiring chief, with a past chief's jewel,

"Why hasn't Christianity got a grip
on the world then?" he asked, and answered himself by saying, "All great
the movement depends entirely on the
willing surrender of the human heart."
He said the best cure for despondency
was to look back on history. Britain's
greatest battles had been for pure
ichter spess, he said, and the nationichter spess, he said, and the nation-

al ideals had always been Christian, and the Christian men and women should now stand by their Christ and help the nation to get back to its God.

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