

hour than 11 a.m. cannot persuade the rest of their brethren to conform to their wishes, so that there may be a uniform rule, then it does not seem too much to suggest that the minority in this, as in other matters, should conform to the practice of the majority and not seek to be a "law unto themselves."

War Notes.

MESSAGE FROM THE KING.

The following is the message from His Majesty The King calling for more men to fight the battles of the Empire:—

"To My People.—At this grave moment in the struggle between my people and a highly organized enemy who has transgressed the laws of nations and changed the ordinance that binds civilized Europe together, I appeal to you.

"I rejoice in my Empire's effort and I feel pride in the voluntary response from my subjects all over the world who have sacrificed home and fortune and life itself in order that another may not inherit the free Empire which their ancestors and mine have built.

"I ask you to make good these sacrifices. The end is not in sight. More men and yet more are wanted to keep my armies in the field and through them to secure victory and enduring peace. In ancient days the darkest moment has ever produced in men of our race the sternest resolve. I ask you men of all classes to come forward voluntarily and take your share in the fight. In freely responding to my appeal you will be giving your support to our brothers who for long months have nobly upheld Britain's past traditions and the glory of her arms.

"GEORGE, R.I."

This appeal must surely stir the hearts even of "slackers." Some of these are "degenerates" and are not wanted. Others are not, and still hold back. If the King's call does not stir them, perhaps a perusal of the account of the dastardly murder of the heroic nurse, Miss Cavell, might breed indignation and a desire to punish her German butchers. Loyalty and righteous anger should be strong incentives.

War was declared by Great Britain against Bulgaria from October 15th, at 10 o'clock p.m.