## THE WORLD FAMINE

#### and

### THE DUTY OF CANADA.

We reproduce herewith extracts from a pamphlet written on Dec. 4th, 1917, by John S. Ewart, Esq., K.C. of Ottawa, Ont.

FACTS.—In my recent pamphlet, "The Disruption of Canada," I quoted authority to prove:

- 1. "That the world faces a food situation that is nothing short of appalling" (Dr. Robertson).
- 2. "That the world's supply of food is not sufficient to feed the world's armies and the civilian population ttoo" (Lord Northcliffe).
- "That it is now vital for the United Kingdom and the Allies in Europe to obtain from Canada foodstuffs in far larger quantities than under peace conditions" (Lord Rhondda).
- "That unless the Allies in Europe are able to import the supplies necessary for feeding their armies and their civil populations, victory may slip from our united grasp" (Lord Rhondda).
- 4. That "the fighting efficiency of the Allied forces will be impaired unless Canada awakens to the seriousness of the food problem" (Mr. Hanna).
- 5. That "what we ask from the United States and Canada, we cannot procure elsewhere" (Lord Rhondda).
- 6. "That the Allies are depending on the continent of North America to a far greater extent than ever before" (Can. Food Bulletin No. 3.)
- 7. "That there are difficulties in the way. One of them is the shortness of help, which is a very serious question" (Mr. Crerer).
- 8. That the shortage of food is "owing to the shortage of labor caused by the war.....labor has been taken away from the farm, which has produced varying harvests with the result that there is a world shortage of food" (Lord Northcliffe).
- 9. That the shortage in the wheat crop of thewesteern European allies for this year is 570,000,000 bushels; that Canada and the United States together can supply only 200,000,000; and that the allies' shortage is therefore 370, 000, 000 bushels.
- 10. That, notwithstanding those well-known facts, the Borden government had, to the 30th June last, enlisted for service in Europe 45,797 farmers, of whom 24,592 came from the western Provinces.
  - 11. And that, in view of the fact that the United States

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### FINANCIAL FACTS AND FIGURES.

Facts are indisputable easily verified and confirmed.

Figures cite the cold facts and cannot lie.

Net Public Debt of Canada, Sept. 30th, 1911.. \$313,508,376 Net Public Debt of Canada, Oct. 31st, 1917.... \$948,236,872

Increase...... \$635,000,000

Actual War Expenditure of Canada to October 31st, 1917-included in above approximately \$640,000,000.

#### Result Actual Facts.

Despite the increase of Revenue due to business prosperity,

Despite the Special War Revenue

Act, 1910

Despite the extra 7½ per cent en

Customs Duties,
Despite the Business Profits War Tax of 1916 and 1917, even with the Revenue from War taxation, Canada has only paid \$5,000,000 of the War expenses out of her own pocket. We have borrowed every cent of the bal-

The Minister of Finance takes credit for the wonders Canada has done financially but he should hang his head in shame instead that he has done so miserably with the enormous funds entrusted to him by the citizens of Canada.

He tells of large advances to the Imperial Government for Munitions and other items but they are all shown in the Balance sheet and are all taken off the debt of Canada, as an asset, before the net debt is shown.

The figures quoted above are from the statements published in the Canada Gazette and can be verified by every

person,

# THE WORK OF THE ENUMER-ATORS.

From East Simcoe comes a report: "We find that the Enumerators in this County are merely acting as Umonist agents, urging and canvassing the women to vote for the Unionist Candidates, and in addition to that they are deliberately dodging a great many of our women. They have the matter, to a large extent, in their own hands, and it may be difficult to satisfy the Enumerators that certain women are entitled to be on the Voters'