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THE SITUATION

Still the great battle wages and will, without doubt, for some time, with varying fortunes, until an end is reached.

Lord Kitchener made an important statement in the House of Lords yesterday. Like all his pronouncements, it was terse and brief.

A country which prides itself on outdoor sport as does Britain should have no difficulty in finding men capable of making officers.

Lord Kitchener also paid a richly-deserved tribute to Sir John French when he pointed out that, in his despatches from the front, that splendid general had omitted one aspect of the situation.

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as binding as a treaty. So confident were the two nations of each other's support, that England, surrendered, in a great measure to the safe-keeping of the French fleet.

In these circumstances, both with regard to Belgium and France, Great Britain is at a disadvantage. If she had made herself a party to the shameful bargain proposed by Germany, she would never have recovered from the shame.

But the Kaiser reckoned without his host—Britain did not barter her right to defend her honor or her interests. Her people at home, and throughout the Empire, closed ranks and stood as one man ready to assist in the terrible consequences of war rather than that the flag should suffer dishonor.

Great Britain, the little island nation, no larger than one of our own larger provinces, whose ports and markets are free to the whole world, without a single conscript, and whose government is as free and democratic as her Republican ally, is fighting for the principle of honor between nations and that British pride, independence and enterprise the world over, shall not pale before the unbridled lust of a military autocrat.

A UNITED STATES TRIBUTE The New York Herald of recent date featured the following criticism of the present European war by "An American" military officer.

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the shutting up of French armies in Sedan and Metz as criminal, and he summed up his entire observations in the German campaign by saying, in effect, that Americans had little to learn from Germans in the active employment of troops in the field.

The mistakes of the French in 1870 are not being repeated in the present campaign. They have not allowed themselves to be tempted to take cover behind great fortresses, but unflinchingly they have kept the field, and despite their heavy losses in the retrograde movement from Belgium, they have maintained their lines intact.

The British military schools of Woolwich and Sandhurst have for years laid immense stress on the lessons of the American civil war, and the works of Colonel Henderson, of Sandhurst, on Jackson's operations to what the British and Belgium, if England had remained neutral, and France found herself unable to drive the Germans back into their own country, these doors would have been closed.

NOTES AND COMMENTS. Kitchener is the greatest military tactician since Von Moltke, and French one of the greatest cavalry leaders of all time.

FIERCE BATTLE (Continued from Page 1) have the brief despatches bringing this humor told whether their retirement was due to strategic reasons or a result of the onslaughts of the Austrians.

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PARIS DARK RE BATTLE

It is Only Known That Germans Have Fallen Back on Left.

PARIS, Sept. 18.—6.24 a. m.—The great battle of Aisne continues. All that is known officially of its progress is that the Germans are yielding slightly at some points on the left.

It is that movement across the allied front Von Kluck's right flank was thrown right up in the air. Think of what Sheridan, "John Stuart," or Wheeler would have done with such a chance before him!

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BATTLE OF AISNE

Great Work by French and British, But Germans Are Strong.

LONDON, Sept. 18.—Describing the battle along the Aisne, a Soissons despatch to The Express says: "French picked troops with heavy guns are endeavoring to outflank the German position.

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GENERAL KILLED

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BOYS FIGHTING

LONDON, Sept. 18, 9.15 a. m.—A despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company from Bordeaux asserts that boys less than 16 years old are fighting in the German ranks.

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LOCAL NEWS

Another Ward Done. The city assessors yesterday completed their observations upon the tax which is now assessed for current year.

Tennis Tea. The Duferin Tennis Club will have a tea to-morrow afternoon at club house when a good rally members is expected.

At the Front. Chief Slemen this morning received word that both P. C. Cobden and Blanchard, are at this moment at the front, taking their place in the activities now going on.

Golf Notes. The suggested field day for Saturday has been postponed in consequence of arrangements being made by the ladies for a visit from Paris ladies on that date.

Billiouness is Cured by HOOD'S PILLS

THE MILLINERY AND COSTUME DEPTS. HAVE BEEN MOVED FROM THE FRONT OF THE SECOND FLOOR TO THE REAR OF THE TIME BEING.

CUT RATE SALE OF ODDMENTS In White Granite and Semi-Porcelain PLATES, PLATTERS, TURENS, etc.

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