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"We are fighting for a worthy purpose, and we shall not lay down our arms until that purpose has been fully achieved"—H. M. The King.
TO THE PEOPLE OF THE EMPIRE—Every fighting unit we can send to the front means one step nearer peace.

GERMANY'S PEACE SUGGESTIONS

In the German Reichstag, the other day, Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg made a carefully prepared statement setting forth what is believed to be the opinion of the German government as to the war, and in which he was at pains to declare that Germany would not be responsible for the effect of the prolongation of the struggle. He, of course, painted the Teutonic forces as triumphant on every field and prepared to continue indefinitely but, at the same time, quite willing to consider peace proposals.

The British reply to the hint from Berlin comes in the form of a distinctly stimulated interest in recruiting and a rush of men to the colors.

These facts speak more plainly than the opinions of all the reviewers and observers as to the sentiment prevailing in the warring countries. Germany is willing for peace if it can be obtained before her armies are forced back to her own soil, and without loss of prestige. She desires to appear before the world in the role of the magnanimous conqueror. But, as expected, Great Britain will have none of it, and the attitude of Britain will be the attitude of the other powers making up the Entente, for a document recently completed at London and signed by the representatives of the five great powers in the Entente plainly specifies that Germany can only make peace with one by concluding the same agreement with all.

There can be no peace until Germany, on her knees, asks for it. No one will deny that the task of humbling her to that state is a prodigious one, but neither can it be said that the power of accomplishment does not rest with the Allies. That Germany realizes her position is very evident from the fact that a representative clothed with the authority of the Chancellor admits a willingness for peace.

A year ago Germany posed as a conqueror who would not sheathe the sword until assured that she would forever dominate the world. She demanded a "place in the sun." After sixteen months of fighting she is willing to admit that such place cannot be won by her and claims a disposition to amend her desires.

Continuance of the war is a painful process for all concerned, but it must be gone through to the only possible conclusion. Any peace now would give to the Teutons a prestige enormously greater than before the war. Germany might well consent to withdraw her troops from every foot of conquered territory and yet she would be the victor, as she could brazenly claim that her magnanimity alone made possible the cessation of strife and that, had she wished, she could have carried the struggle to a conclusion where her superiority would not remain in doubt. The Allies would be presented to future generations in the light of supplants receiving from a generous master the prizes his troops had won.

The Allies now have attained to the strength they have desperately sought after since the war commenced and to conclude any peace would be like stopping a race after the challenged party had completed his training, and was on the line for the start. Britain, France and Russia have had no opportunity of demonstrating the effectiveness of their land forces as opposed to those of Germany. They started the war lacking in trained men, guns and supplies and cannot be blamed if they refuse to stop it now when the bugles are about to sound the charge. Germany was responsible for the commencement of this struggle but the cessation of it rests in other hands. Peace will come when Germany is soundly whipped and all the statements of Bethmann-Hollweg or other German apologists will not bring it one day nearer.

THE REQUEST FOR PROHIBITION.

That the Government of New Brunswick will enact a prohibitory law when the people desire it is evidenced from the opinion expressed by Premier Clarke yesterday in his reply to the request of the New Brunswick branch of the Dominion Alliance for the passage of such a measure. The delegation asked that the question should

be submitted to the people in a referendum to be held in February or March of next year and that the majority of the total vote cast should decide the issue. To this the Government promised the most careful consideration.

Already the Government of New Brunswick has placed advanced legislation on the statute book of the province and the temperance people are well pleased with that action. It may be said, however, that the present request for a total prohibition is in line with the sentiment expressed in other provinces and in accordance with the growth and progress of the temperance movement. At the same time it should not be forgotten that the men engaged in the liquor traffic represent a large vested interest and that their business has been legalized. Consequently they are entitled to the same treatment that might fairly be expected by men in any other line of trade.

If the majority of the people of this province decided that the use of tea or tobacco was injurious and should be suppressed by law, it is natural to expect that the men dealing in these articles would be given opportunity to dispose of their stocks before being legislated out of business. The liquor men should receive equal consideration in the event of a referendum being granted and resulting as the prohibition advocates believe it will. Temperance and moderation are synonymous terms and in the treatment of the question now before the Government the disposition will certainly be to act in the best interests of all the people.

HENRY FORD'S MISSION.

If Henry Ford were an Englishman and his peace ark had sailed from a British port to a foreign country to settle another person's business his mission would be an absolute failure in advance. The British press would never allow him to extract from them the amount of advertising he has succeeded in obtaining from American newspapers. It may also be questioned whether the British government would permit the British people to be made ridiculous the world over as the Americans will be as the result of Ford's wild-goose chase. Ford is a wealthy man; he has gained fame as a remarkably keen business man and he has earned the gratitude of mankind as a philanthropist. But his achievements in any of these directions do not excuse him for his present folly.

The war in Europe is a struggle of right against wrong, of liberty against oppression. Yet Ford is treating it as if it were a fence dispute and he the appointed fence viewer. Never in the history of the United States has there been quite so brazen and ill-considered a piece of folly as this Ford peace project, and the fact that a man of Ford's acumen can consider it at all merely shows how pitifully small a big man may become when taken out of his native sphere. As an automobile manufacturer Henry Ford has achieved success. As the High Priest of Peace he is a ghastly joke. The pity of it is that there is no provision in the laws of the United States whereby President Wilson, a sane and sane man, can prevent this eccentric from making a fool of himself and bringing ridicule upon a great nation. Mr. Ford should have his head examined.

EXPLOSION AT PLANT OF BETHLEHEM STEEL CO. ONE KILLED SEVERAL HURT

South Bethlehem, Pa., Dec. 10.—An explosion at the Redington Fuse plant of the Bethlehem Steel Company today resulted in the death of one person, a man named Adams, and minor injuries to several others. The injured were sent to a local hospital. The explosion was caused by a flash from a machine.

Eighty-seven per cent. of German War Loan Subscribers?

Berlin, Dec. 10.—(by wireless to Sayville).—Cash payments on the third German war loan now amount to 10,881,400,000 marks (\$2,645,250,000) or eighty-seven per cent. of the total subscription.

Installments paid with money borrowed from loan banks have decreased \$51,000,000 marks to \$79,100,000 marks.

SUNDAY'S MEETING

There will be a recruiting meeting on Sunday evening at Imperial Theatre, beginning at 8:30 o'clock. W. J. Mahoney will occupy the chair. The principal speaker will be Major C. G. Placombe of the 104th Battalion.
C. A. Munro will sing and an orchestra will give musical selections.

WILSON ADVISES NATION TO PRESERVE SELF POSSESSION

U. S. Bound to Exert Big Influence in Bringing Belligerents Together if it Keeps Calm in Present Crisis.

Columbus, Ohio, Dec. 10.—Preparedness by business men to mobilize the resources of the nation as a measure of national defense was urged by President Wilson here today in a ringing address before the Columbus chamber of commerce. His words were given added significance by the disputes pending between the United States and Austria and Germany.

The President's address was applauded by a non-partisan audience. His theme was the statesmanship of industry.

The President told the men that it was impossible to separate business and life. He declared that the two were inseparable. The history of business in the United States, he said, was tied up with the history of the nation.

The need of ships to carry the commerce of the nation was dwelt on. Since the war of 1812, he declared, the United States has purposely attended first to internal affairs. Some business men, he declared, sought foreign trade but many disregarded it. The banking and currency laws passed during the present administration were lauded by the President as a great aid to foreign commerce. Until it was passed there were hardly any foreign branches of American banks.

His criticism of the policy of protection. Business, he declared, should be efficient but it should not be organized in order to secure monopolies.

He opposed the injection of politics into business, and described himself as a "militant Democrat," and added that the Democratic party wanted to help business.

The President declared that if the United States preserves its self possession in the present crisis, it will have great influence in re-constructing the peaceful course of the world and in bringing the nations together again.

JAN. 1 BANK HOLIDAY IN ENGLAND AND WALES.

London, Dec. 10.—The following official announcement was made here tonight:

"At the request of bankers, Premier Asquith has decided that January 1, 1916, shall be a bank holiday in England and Wales in order that the banks, with their greatly depleted staffs, may attend, without interruption, to work that day, which is at the very one of the busiest days of the banking year. It is not intended that the day should be kept as a general holiday, as in Scotland."



AN IDEAL XMAS GIFT

We are specializing on Eyeglasses this Christmas and have a scheme whereby they can be suitably presented as a gift.

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MIDLAND COLLIERIES LIMITED.

The Eastern Trust Company will until twelve o'clock on the fifteenth day of December, 1915, receive at its office 120 Prince William street, Saint John, N. B., sealed proposals (marked "Tender") to sell first mortgage bonds of the above named Company to be purchased by the Trustee sufficient to exhaust the sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars paid by the Company to the Trustee for the purpose of a sinking fund and for the redemption of bonds in accordance with the terms of the deed of trust dated the fifteenth day of July, A. D. 1912, under which said bonds were issued. The right is reserved to reject any or all tenders. Dated this first day of December, A. D. 1915.

THE EASTERN TRUST COMPANY, Saint John, N. B.

Little Benny's Note Book

BY LEE PAPE.

The afternoon as follows was talking about how to make money to buy furniture for our Club by giving a show and charging money to get in or something, and all of a sudden we heard Miss Winkel practicing singing in her parlor, with the duet every afternoon, and her parlor windows was down but we could hear her just the same, and all about of her being able to make a louder noise than any 4 of us folks put together for the benefit of the Club, said Puds Simkins.
Wat good wood that do, ev'rybody can hear her sing without paying for it, and anyhow, you can never tell wat she's singing about, sed Sid Hunt.
Maybe she wood sing plainer if peepil paid to hear her, I sed. And we awl went over and rang Miss Winkels door bell, Miss Winkel being a old maid without a husband, and she came to the door, saying, My goodniss, wat can awl you boys want, my goodniss.
We want to no if you will sing for charity, sed Puds Simkins.
Well, thata very nice of you to ask me, Im awlways glad to sing for charity, sed Miss Winkel, I suppose the Sunday Skool is giving a lile entertainment or sumthing.
No man, its jest for charity, sed Sid Hunt.
I never refuse to sing for charity, but wat charity is it, sed Miss Winkel.
Its to buy furniture for a Club, I sed.
Well, well, I suppose anybody is founding a club for poor children, how nice of you boys to work in such a good cause, wat club is it, sed Miss Winkel.
Ours, sed Puds Simkins.
Ov'r the place ware Sam Krawwases farther keeps his awtomobeele, I sed.
I thawl you sed charity, do you tm krazy, sed Miss Winkel. And she went in and banged the door, and Skippy Martin sed, Wats the matter with her, aint that charity.
G, I gess she must be krazy, sed Puds Simkins.
Wich she must be.

Action for Breach of Contract.

On the application to the Chancery Division of the Supreme Court, made by H. A. Porter for A. A. Gundry, in a suit for damages against the Telegraph Publishing Co., Chief Justice McLeod granted an injunction commanding the defendants to continue the publication of the plaintiff's advertisement re Wallihan switches until the fifteenth inst., when the case will be tried, and leave for the plaintiff to apply on that date for a further injunction. The advertisement had been running for some time, when the Telegraph notified the plaintiff that for reasons of its own it would discontinue the advertisement. The action is one for specific performance of the contract which was to be in force until Christmas. Mr. Gundry sues for damages which he claims to have sustained in his Christmas trade.

Funeral Yesterday
The funeral of Mr. James H. Venn took place yesterday afternoon at 2:45 o'clock from his late residence, 24 Pleasant. Services were conducted at the house by the Rev. J. Brookes Champion. Interment was in Fernhill cemetery.

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TRANSFERS OF PROPERTY
The following transfers of property have been recently recorded:
St. John County
Coldbrook Realty and Dev. Co. Ltd., to Geo. Stewart, et al, property at Glen Falls.
Eastern Terminal Realty Co. Ltd., to J. L. MacKinnon, \$1, property at Bay View.
James Elliott, et al, to Rupert Taylor, \$1, property at Simonds.
C. A. R. Kelly to S. C. DeLond, \$1, property at Simonds.
Kings County
V. R. Carson to Allaby Wheaton Co. Ltd., \$5, property at Northan.
Geo. Cochran to J. L. Cochran, \$100, property at Greenwich.



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