

of whom have largely and ostentatiously subscribed to Patriotic Funds, — the men who are now shooting down British troopers and, in a few weeks, will take Canadian volunteers as their mark, are fed with the produce of the soil of Canada!

"*Is that patriotic?*" could well ask that sturdy English trader.

The usurers of London who corner gold have been branded by Lloyd George as supporters of the enemy. Are not those Canadian politicians and traders, who feed the enemy, traitors to the Empire?

The question of maritime transportation rates should be taken up immediately and dealt with in the most energetic manner. Of course, the difficulty is largely increased by the fact that the British government has taken over for imperial service a large number of our so-called 'Canadian' vessels, and thereby struck a terrific blow to Canadian trade and industry. This in itself constitutes a direct and substantial contribution to Imperial service, of which very little has been heard so far.

But since we are deprived of a large portion of what we deluded ourselves into calling our mercantile navy, could we not follow the example of the United States? Could not our statesmen, jurists and leading business men put their heads together and devise some means by which Canada could control her sea-going trade and prevent Germany from getting our foodstuffs in preference to, or even in competition with, England, France or Belgium, the cause of whom we pretend, with such display of oratory, to have espoused so heartily?

### Canada helps German armaments

Some Ontario journalists have *discovered* recently that the Krupp factories are supplied with nickel extracted from our mines at Sudbury.

The fact was pointed out, more than five years ago, by Mr. Olivar Asselin, who demonstrated that the British and Canadian governments could put a stop to all German naval construction. If the parliament of Canada had then expro-