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WAR AND DISEASE

War's heavy toll in killed and wounded does not exhaust the horrors of armed conflict. The bullet slays its thousands, but disease destroys its tens of thousands. Medical science is not only confronted with the heavy task of saving the lives of the wounded, but also of safeguarding the health of the physically whole. The steady progress in medical science robs war of many of its oldtime horrors, and a more extended knowledge of the laws of sanitation enables armies to keep the field under conditions which in former days would inevitably have ended in a plague. "Formerly an army marched on its belly; now it marches on its brain," says Sir William Osler, in an address to soldiers in the camps at Churn, England, and which has been published in pamphlet form ("Baecilli and Bullets," Oxford University Press). In the opinion of this distinguished medical scientist, one of the most aggressive foes the soldier at the front has to encounter is not simply the bullets, but "the much more important enemy the bacilli." Looking along the ranks of men who have recruited for active service, Sir William Osler adds: "I can never see a group of recruits marching to the depot without mentally asking what percentage of these fine fellows will die legitimately and honorably deaths from wounds, what percentage will perish miserably from neglect of ordinary sanitary precautions. Typhus fever, malaria, cholera, enteric, and dysentery have won more victories than powder and shot."

A century ago the British expedition against Antwerp was routed by typhus and malaria. In the last South African war, of the twenty-two thousand British lives lost, the bullet accounted for only eight thousand, the bacillus for fourteen thousand. The present war is the bloodiest in the history of the world, and the conditions will tax to the utmost every resource of science and medical skill to prevent the spread of disease. Fortunately there is a recent example of what may be accomplished by taking every possible precaution against disease. In the Russo-Japanese campaign the Japs went into the war "prepared as fully against bacilli as against bullets." The result was the percentage of deaths from disease was the lowest that has ever been reached in a great war. Dysentery, pneumonia and enteric are the three great scourges against which the medical staffs of the Allies will have to contend. Dysentery is one of the most terrible of camp diseases, and is believed to be conveyed by water. Pneumonia is a foe always on the watch when severe weather, from marches, and privation lower the powers of resistance. The more common foe is enteric or typhoid. In the Spanish-American war twenty thousand, or one-fifth of the effective field force, contracted the disease, and of these 1,580 died. Germ carriers are one of the causes of disease in camp, and it is difficult to guard against infection where the vital forces are impaired through long hours in the trenches. In the South African war there were fifty-seven thousand cases of typhoid alone. Of these eight thousand ended fatally.

By preventing enteric, the efficiency of the allied forces may be increased one-third. This, at a time when numbers tell, is a vital consideration. It is impossible, therefore, to overestimate the importance of the operations of the medical field forces. Those who are casting about for some means of aiding our soldiers at the front will find in the Red Cross one of the most practical and effective methods for assisting the allied forces, without unnecessary loss of valuable lives, to forge their way to decisive victory.—Toronto Globe.

PREPARATION IS NOT ALL

One does not know whether to deplore or admire the fibolical ingenuity displayed by the German militarists in preparing for this war. Their secret service agents have

been active for years in every part of the world. Some sowing disaffection in India, Egypt, South Africa and other of the British dependencies and dominions, where opportunity offered for its propagation. Some buying or leasing strategic positions under pretence of establishing peaceful industries, but really anticipating the advent of armies of invasion. Some establishing supply depots in obscure nooks and corners of the earth. Others ready with secret and guide the cruisers of the world that sought dominion over the world. Yet others spying and corrupting, all for the one purpose of reducing less gullible nations to practical slavery and subjecting them to German "Kultur."

No such well-ordered and highly organized campaign against peace and progress has ever been known. Now that its full scope and full purpose has been revealed, it has staggered humanity. That it will be defeated does not rest with the unscrupulous minds who devised it, or with the pertinacious agents that worked as efficiently as silently. Fortunately, in this huge conspiracy, as in all criminal enterprises requiring co-ordination of effort, the well-laid scheme developed what promises to be a fatal flaw, inability to understand the strength of free peoples, unmeasured confidence in war power and blundering diplomacy, all combined to undermine the result of years of persistent effort. Germany's endeavor after world supremacy is doomed to fail. Success depended on the speed and certainty of the first stroke. It failed of accomplishment and now, however long and strenuous the war, the end is certain.—Toronto World.

CHRISTMAS GIVING THIS YEAR

The Montreal Star makes some timely observations on the subject of Christmas giving. It says that the problem of Christmas giving is naturally more acute this year than usual. The "Spugs"—the members of the beneficial and wise Society for the Prevention of Useless Giving, never had a better opportunity to preach their wholesome gospel, nor a congregation ready to give ear. Money is scarce—the demands for any surplus we may have will be great and pressing—extravagance and ostentation have become criminal and treasonable.

But it is perfectly obvious that those who are proposing to dry up the healing streams of Christmas love and charity altogether are quite as mischievously engaged as those who might plunge into wasteful, boastful and extravagant gift-giving. We have still enough left in this country to observe the Christmas-tide, even if some alleged Christian nations are not observing the Christmas spirit. That the gifts of this war-year should reflect the timely spirits of sacrifice and economy will be very fitting; and we may indeed, inaugurate this season a sensible and modest regime which will outlast the war and its terrible sequel.

But we all know perfectly well—no matter what any may say now—that we intend to observe Christmas, and that Santa Claus will be doing "business as usual" in the true patriotic spirit. Should we delude ourselves into the impression that we really intend to do no Christmas-giving this year, we will only change our minds at the last moment. The result will be that, having disorganized business by pretending to withhold our patronage, we will equally disorganize trade by dumping our orders and plumping our "Christmas shopping" on the under-manned merchants all in the last few days. Let us be sane about Christmas-giving both ways—shunning alike a forced extravagance and a forced abstention, sure to break down.—Sydney Post.

CANADA AND THE MONROE DOCTRINE

Former President Taft has put before the people of the United States his interpretation of the "Monroe Doctrine," and has specified the limitations that must be recognized in its application to the Dominion of Canada in the present war. The Monroe Doctrine, it must be borne in mind, has no legal, constitutional, or international binding force on any nation, even the United States. It has been evolved out of two passages in a message from President Monroe to Congress in 1823, one dealing with colonies established by foreign nations on the continent of America,

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The Hour Has Not Arrived For German Fleet to Show Up.

German Naval Critic Says Scheme for Wearing Down British Fleet Has Not Resulted in any Significant Weakening of Britain's Sea-Power

London, Nov. 29.—The Daily Telegraph special correspondent at Rotterdam reports: "Captain Persius, naval critic of The Berliner Tageblatt, in an article on the German naval position, says: Many German hopes at the beginning of the war were built on somewhat fantastic foundations. The British fleet was under-estimated, and it was considered that there was absolutely no reason why Britain should continue to rule the seas. The results had forced Germany in a great measure to withdraw this view. Even the greatest British losses must not be regarded as decisive events, he suggests. "An English newspaper statement that Britain is satisfied with what her fleet has done proves in a negative way that such complete satisfac-

tion does not exist. He contradicts the claim that there is evidence that German submarines have been more successful than British submarines, but admits that after four months the German scheme for wearing down the British fleet has not yet succeeded. The psychological moment has not yet arrived for the use of German battleships and large cruisers. "We must be careful, Captain Persius concludes, "not to buoy ourselves up with false estimates about the position of affairs. We must not forget that in spite of the glorious success of our cruisers in Chilean waters and the success of our submarines, there has not yet occurred any significant weakening of the sea power of Britain as the result of the war."

FINANCE COMMITTEE HOLD MEETING

A meeting of the Finance Committee of the Canadian Patriotic Fund was held in the office of Mr. E. A. McCurdy on November 28th, when the following collecting committee were appointed to solicit for and receive subscriptions to the said fund. Committee: A. H. Cole, J. Bryan Hennessy, Fred Dalton, Don Creighton, Warren Davidson, Willis Nicholson, Jack Creighton, David Ritchie, chairman and treasurer.

The town will be divided into districts and a systematic canvass for subscriptions will be made by the above named committee. All subscriptions will be duly acknowledged in the local papers.

E. A. McCURDY, Chairman Finance Committee, Canadian Patriotic Fund.

the other with the contemporaneous proposal of Russia, Prussia, and Austria to intervene in South America for the purpose of enabling Spain to retain control of her South American colonies. The publication of the message and the action of Great Britain in the premises put a stop to the threatened intervention, and no other procedure of the sort has ever since been mooted from any quarter. The Monroe Doctrine was early invoked by the United States Government to hinder territorial extension on the part of Russia and Great Britain; the only important European powers that had already a territorial footing in North America. The dispute with Russia, then in possession of Alaska, was settled by treaty in 1825, and a similar dispute with Great Britain was settled by treaty in 1846, when the forty-ninth parallel was agreed to as compromise boundary line. Mr. Taft is beyond all question correct in his declaration that as Canada has become a belligerent country the Germans would have a perfect right under international law to land troops on Canadian territory and occupy it during the war. Such territory would have to be vacated after the war is over, not because holding it perpetually would violate any rule or principle of international law, but because the United States could drive them out of America, and would undoubtedly do so. As there is prevalent some confusion of thought on the meaning of the Monroe Doctrine, Mr. Taft has done good service by clearing it away.—Toronto Globe.

THE KAISER ON ROBERTS

Some years ago the Kaiser said of Lord Roberts: "I hold him the greatest of today's soldiers." Probably the Emperor would not even now change his opinion, for he is rapidly coming to think that the only good British soldiers are the dead ones.—Mail and Empire.

LOGGIEVILLE ITEMS

Nov. 20.—The ice bridge to the North Shore is fast nearing completion. The fishermen are busily engaged making ready for the season's work.

The mill pond has been the centre of attraction during the past week. The ice there is in good condition, and affords much pleasure to the young people of the town. The men in charge of the skating rink are doing all in their power to hustle the skating.

Miss Jessie Robertson is visiting Chatham friends.

Preparatory service was held in Knox church on the evening of the 27th. Communion was dispensed yesterday.

Mrs. Malcolm Watling of Black River is visiting at the home of Mrs. A. F. Marderson.

The illustrated lecture given by Major Coombs in the Temperance hall on Tuesday evening was well patronized. The pictures shown were good.

Dr. and Mrs. McKenzie are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a little son at their home this week. Miss Wasson of New Jersey visited relatives here recently.

The Ladies' Aid held last week's meeting at the home of Mrs. Simpson. Miss Groat of Chatham visited her sister here this week.

Mrs. Frank Gunn of Napan was the guest of Mrs. Duncan McDonald recently.

Mr. Kethro of Newcastle is spending this week in town, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. J. Loggie.

Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Loggie are home from a visit to some of the American cities.

J. D. Crowley has gone to Mulgrave for a while.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Young—a son.

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BLISSFIELD
The weather for the past two weeks has been very pleasant and the men have been getting along good with their work.
Mr. Chester Alexander was in Doaktown last week accompanied by Miss Mary Hurley.
Mr. Peter Doak, of Ashland, Me., and Mr. Miles Doak, of Vancouver, called on their cousin, Mrs. Walter Ward, on Thursday.
Our school is progressing nicely under the management of Miss Bessie Arbo, of Blackville, N. B. Miss Cassie Connors spent Saturday evening and Sunday with Miss Violet Sutherland.
Miss Violet Sutherland called on Mrs. Wordlow Gilks Sunday last.
Miss Cassie Connors, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. Chester Connors, has returned to her home.
Rev. Henry Waterton had service at the schoolhouse Wednesday evening.
Mrs. David Maroney called on Mrs. Ronald Hurley Tuesday last.
In the absence of Rev. F. A. Wightman, President of the N. B. and P. E. I. Methodist Conference, in St. John, attending the reopening of Zion church, his appointments in Bathurst and Tetagoche last Sunday were filled by local preacher, H. H. Stuart of Newcastle.
Liverpool, Nov. 28.—Philip Herbert Holt, ship-owner and philanthropist, died here today.

MOST PROMPT
From late letters received by M. R. Benn, Nordin, N. B. Lounsbury Co., Ltd., say—"Thank you for prompt cheques covering your three policies in our late Moncton fire."
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