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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.

## OUR DUTY TO THE SEAMEN.

Fifteen thousand British seamen have gone to their death at the hands of the murdering Hun while serving Britain knowing that Britain would care for those they left behind. The hundreds of thousands more who are still braving the pirate-infested seas know that their death may await them over the horizon, but they also know that Britain will not fail to provide for their loved ones.

The people of Canada now have an opportunity to do their duty toward these heroes who have made German victory impossible. The Navy League of Canada has set aside this week as "Sailors' Week" in which to conduct a nation-wide campaign for raising funds for the dependents of the men of the navy and mercantile marine who have made the supreme sacrifice that this and future generations of Britons may be free. Canadians should need no urging to this duty. They can not let the debt remain unpaid.

It should be remembered when the appeal is made, says the Ottawa Journal, that while the men of the army and navy and their dependents are officially provided for through pensions and separation allowances, no such provision is made for those of the mercantile marine whose lives are given for their country just as much as if they fell on a warship or a battlefield. Without the services of these men in the particular work they are doing, Britain, the mainstay of the Allies, could not have "carried on." Germany's one hope of defeating Britain was the submarine. The seamen of Britain blazed that hope and made possible the present great victories in France that are surely crushing to impotence the German military machine and ringing the death-knell of German militarism. Had they not kept boldly to the sea, regardless of danger, had they not been ready to die by the thousands, the armies in France, including the Canadian army, would have been at the mercy of the enemy without reinforcements, without munitions and without food. Britain can never pay the debt she owes these men, but she can and will keep her honorable obligation to them by providing for their wives and children.

The Grand Fleet of Britain has kept the German high seas fleet bottled up in the Kiel Canal since the commencement of the war. It put the everlasting fear into the enemy at the very commencement of the war by the shattering it gave him in Heligoland. He has ventured out only once since, to get another beating at Jutland. Premier Lloyd George made clear the importance of this naval supremacy when he declared that "unless the Allies had been completely triumphant at the outset of the war at sea, no efforts on land could have saved them." Then, their costly cruisers and super-dreadnaughts, the Germans decided to wage war on the unarmed merchant ships of Britain. If their submarines could not destroy Britain's mercantile marine they could, they thought, by cold-blooded murder, frighten it from the seas. Germany's frightful policy never told so fast as against the British mercantile marine. British sailors are not of a breed that can be frightened. By keeping on, they have given the navy a chance to deal with the submarines, until now, when the continuance of ocean commerce is assured and victory certain, the U-boats are being destroyed faster than Germany can build them.

Speaking of the success of Britain at sea, the London Daily Telegraph said recently: "And in the forefront of the picture are the vessels of the merchant fleet, manned by men of heroic mould."  
 The St. John branch of the Navy League has set today apart for waiting upon the business firms of the city in the campaign for funds. Tomorrow will be a general day. The campaign has been well planned and if the citizens show ordinary generosity it should be a complete success. The people of this city have rallied loyally to every appeal made to them but their abilities in that line have not yet become exhausted. Remember our debt to the seamen and contribute to the limit when the collectors call.

## GERMANY'S LOST COLONIES.

Writing in the Kansas City Star, Colonel Theodore Roosevelt, ex-president of the United States, deals briefly with the future of Germany as regards her lost colonies and expresses the opinion that "We must stand by Great Britain precisely as we stand by our other Allies, in the first place by waging the war with all our strength, and in the next place by seeing that the peace is of a kind which justifies them for all the sacrifices they have

made. One item in making peace ought to be insistence that Britain keep every colony she has conquered from Germany both in the South Seas and in Africa."

Colonel Roosevelt's opinion is the opinion of all the public men of the Allied nations. Premier Hughes of Australia and General Smuts of South Africa, both of whom realize fully the dangers of German colonialism, speak quite as plainly as Colonel Roosevelt and the reason for their opinion is that Germany has shown herself to be utterly incapable of governing colonies and to permit her to try might constitute another menace to the world.

Germany has always believed in government by force with or without the consent of the governed. Also she has, for years, dreamed of a Germanized Africa, of a mighty black military machine, built up by German methods and German money and to be used when the opportunity arises in another effort to conquer the world.

This dream of an African kingdom is constantly being harped upon in Germany. Thus the notorious Zimmerman, writing in one of the German papers recently, drew a rosy vision of the conditions conducive to the creation of a great colonial empire in the heart of Africa. "In these rich territories," he wrote, "there may be constituted a compact Germanic group which will not run the risk of absorption by foreign nations, as is the case in the United States and in Brazil. In Central Africa, 500,000 Germans will find a free field of enterprise, and they can easily find 50,000,000 negroes from the Congo basin to work for them. A splendid fleet will float on the waters of this river and of its affluents. Roads, canals and railways will be created. On the banks of Lake Chad, of the Congo, and the Tanganyika great cities will arise; Wilhelmstadt will take the place of Brazzaville. A fine railway, the Berlin-Congo line, will convey passengers to the Congo in five days. In another decade the German colonial empire will not alone compete with, but even surpass in every respect, the unstable Empire of Great Britain."

This German writer pictures Germany with 50,000,000 black slaves trained to do her bidding as the nucleus of a force with which to once more attempt world domination. Such a situation would mean that the work of the past four years would have to be done over again and the world would again be subjected to a deluge of blood and tears. Roosevelt, Hughes and Smuts have the correct view. Germany must never again be permitted to get a foothold anywhere outside of her own territory. Africa and the South Seas must be British.

## THE BAN ON CHILDREN.

The New York Globe reports that Marguerite Sylvia, the opera singer, seeking rooms in a hotel she had once patronized, found she would have to pay an additional hundred dollars per month because since her last visit to the hotel she had become the mother of a second child. Mme. Sylvia rejected the proposition and set out to canvass apartment houses in the section of New York in which she desired to reside. Everywhere she found the presence of two children a bar that could not be overcome and at length she was forced to send the little ones to the country and take an apartment by herself. Mme. Sylvia, as the wife of an American officer in France, naturally feels that she and her children should receive better treatment from the landlords of the largest city in the country for which her husband is fighting and has given interviews to certain New York newspapers deprecating the ban on children which is gradually becoming a regular custom with owners of renting property.

The reasoning that leads owners and managers to object to children is clear enough, but it is none the less a kind of reasoning that should not be permitted. Col. Roosevelt is quoted as commenting on the case in question: "I will unhesitatingly approve any law making it a criminal offence for any landlord to take such an attitude as you have described." The ban on children is contrary to public welfare, but it is not peculiar to New York. Canadian cities have the same sort of landlords and while the situation in St. John is not yet as bad as in some others yet even in this city there are many properties the owners or managers of which will not rent to families with children. It is a situation for which a remedy should be found by law.

## YOUNG MAN DROWNED.

Pictou, N. S., Sept. 3.—Wendell Cameron, son of Gus Cameron, of Sootsburn, was drowned while swimming. He was 20 years of age.

## A BIT OF VERSE.

A TRIBUTE.  
 (New York Herald.)  
 Britain and French and Belgian,  
 Stalwart and strong and fine,  
 Brothers, we would a tribute pay  
 To you who have held the line!

You fought when the fight was fiercest,  
 You spilled your blood like wine,  
 Bleeding and dying and almost done  
 You fought—but you held the line!

We are coming hundreds of thousands strong,  
 We will fight till we reach the Rhine,  
 But, comrades, we know the debt we owe  
 To you who have held the line!

## A BIT OF FUN.

### Easy Magic.

Wigg—Young Gotrox is a mighty entertaining fellow. He can perform a lot of tricks of magic.

Wagg—Yes, when I have been out with him I have frequently seen him make a \$20 bill look like 30 cents.

### Pretty Soft Job.

At the lunch hour he heard this conversation between the office boy and his evidently unattached friend:

"Gee, how long you been workin' here?"

"Ten days already."

"Good job?"

"Swell."

"When do you haffer get to work?"

"Any time I want to."

"Aw, go-wan! Watcha tryin' to do, kid?"

"Nope. I can go to work any time I feel like it, just so I ain't no later than 7 o'clock."

—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

### Knew the Location.

Three-year-old Sydney had the measles and was a real sick little boy. His anxious grandmother bent over him and asked sympathetically:

"Can't you tell grandmamma where you feel bad?"

"Without a moment's hesitation little Sydney answered:

"'Wright here in bed.'—Indianapolis News.

### Then and Now.

She—Here is a picture of my grandmother. She was a great hand at spinning.

He—Oh, that reminds me. I once took a spin in my new car.—Florida Times-Union.

### Prevented.

Brooklyn Citizen.—That novel has had a remarkable sale, commented the book store man.

Have you read it?

Oh, no! I wouldn't dare read it, as my duties require me to be enthusiastic in recommending it to others.

## POLICE COURT.

### CASES YESTERDAY.

Charles Jennings Charged With Having Liquor in His Possession Testified He Purchased It From Mrs. Thompson.

Four men appeared yesterday morning in the police court on a charge of being drunk and were remanded for further hearing.

In the afternoon Chas. Jennings, of West St. John, appeared to answer a charge of having liquor in his possession contrary to the Prohibition Act. Sub-inspector Garnett gave evidence telling of the arrest of Jennings, and the information gained from him leading to the arrest of Mrs. M. Thompson, whom the prisoner stated he procured liquor from.

Jennings told the court of purchasing the liquor from Mrs. Thompson last Friday.

Mrs. Thompson testified that she kept a little shop at 672 Main street. On Friday last she met Jennings and invited him to her residence on Brussels street where, she stated, a parcel addressed to her residence bore another name, and she wished to know if Jennings knew the person to whom parcel was addressed. At her residence witness and Jennings had a lunch. She then went to her shop on Main street. Jennings was on the same street car. About half an hour afterwards Jennings arrived at the shop for a package of cigarettes. Witness said she did not have them, and she and Jennings chatted for a time and she denied supplying liquor to Jennings.

Mrs. Thompson admitted she did not know prisoner when she invited him to her residence, and further admitted that her husband was now in Fredericton awaiting discharge from the army. This ended the session which was postponed until 10 o'clock this morning, when judgment will be given. Jennings was remanded.

## Old Ideas Die Hard

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## Little Benny's Note Book

BY LEE PAPE.

Ma was setting in a rocking chair rocking and thinking of something else, and all of a sudden pop sed. Look out mother, that chair's moving in both directions. And ma quick jumped up all excited, saying, Wait! For goodness sake wait the matter?

I measily stated that your chair was moving in both directions, ha ha, ha, sed pop.

I failed to see the joke, sed ma.

Naturally, sed pop, it was a practical joke, and one unfailing sign of a practical joke is that the joker thinks its 100 times funnier than it really is, while the jokee, so to speak, completely fails to see any merit in it whatsoever, ha ha ha.

O shut up, sed ma. And she sat down again and pritty soon pop got tired of lolling and took a sugar out of his vast pocket and started to loll it with a match, and wat did ma do-but quick jump up and blow the match out over pops shoulder before the sugar was all the way 'll.

Hay, heer, wait the big idea! sed pop.

Its a practical joke, sed ma.

O, is it, all rite, we are even, only perhaps you dont know that you spoil a sugar if you only half loll it, sed pop.

Thats part of the joke, only yours the jokee so of course you dont see it, sed ma.

Rubbish, anybody can be a parrot, sed pop. And he lit another match and wat did ma do but quick sneek up behind him and blow that one out too.

Is that another practical joke! sed pop, and ma sed, No, hee hee, its part of the same one, only in the one you that appreciates it because im the joker.

Yours as funny as a crutch full of splinters, sed pop. And he got in a corner where there wasent any air behind him for ma to sneek up in, and lit his sugar and then he started to sit down and ma pulled the chair away so quick that pop sat down the same way he expected, to only in a different place, being the floor, saying mad as anything, Confound and blast, youve made me bite this good sugar in half.

Thats part of the joke, you dont expect to be the jokee and see the joke too, do you? sed ma, and pop got up off of the floor looking proud, saying, No, and wen moving pictures are made more attractive than home, wives may expect their husbands to go to the moving pictures when he did, me not even having time to ask if I could go with him.

## CASUALTIES.

Ottawa, Sept. 3.—There were 88 casualties in today's list, of which 25 were killed in action, 8 died of wounds, 4 died, 1 missing believed killed, 1 wounded and missing, 1 missing, 6 seriously ill, 23 wounded, 6 gassed, and 1 repatriated.

Those from the Maritime Provinces follow:

Infantry.

Killed in action—

E. D. Henry, Milltown, N. B.

M. Dooley, Dominion No. 3, N. S.

Died of wounds—

C. G. McNeill, Lower Selmah, N. S.

Died—

F. Boucher, Exterior Harbor, N. S.

E. S. Winchester, Granville Ferry, N. S.

Ill—

H. Kierstead, Glencoe, N. S.

E. Panton, Clarksville, N. S.

Wounded—

G. Finch, Halifax.

R. R. Naon, Debec Jct., N. B.

R. W. Ferguson, Sydney, N. S.

H. F. Bishop, Auburn, N. S.

Lieut. E. McDonald, Point Tupper, N. S.

Engineers.

Died of wounds—

T. Wilson, Cardigan, P. E. I.

Wounded—

F. C. Cawley, St. George, N. B.

Artillery.

Died of wounds—

A. C. Taylor, St. John.

Wounded—

R. Blackburn, Halifax.

A. E. Landry, Bathurst, N. B.

H. L. Fougere, Scotia, P. E. I.

Lieut. F. Donald, Alma, P. E. I.

## PERSONAL.

Mr. and Mrs. A. McN. Shaw, of Montreal, who have been at their summer home at Pampiscue for the last three months will return home tonight. Mr. Shaw's health has improved during his stay in New Brunswick.

George W. Edens, managing director of Truro Steel Company, and Mrs. Edens, who have been in the city for a few days, returned to Truro last night.

Lieut. Edward Harrington who has been at the Avon School near Toronto, is at present visiting his aunt, Miss Frances Fairweather, at Hampton.

R. Downing Paterson left on Monday for a few days' trip to Boston.

Mrs. John K. Schofield was a passenger on the Montreal train on Monday evening.

Mr. J. G. Shearer, D. D., of Toronto, Rev. W. D. Wilson, of Fredericton, N. B., Rev. H. A. Goodwin and Rev. F. S. Dowling, of St. John.

PROGRAMME.

Afternoon—What the Social Service Council is and aims to do.

Organization, local and county.

Question Drawer, Conference on Social Service Work.

Evening—Mass Meeting.

Popular Addresses.

Music.

DELEGATES.

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