

man masses there is much sympathy and profound admiration. Only a republic in Germany, or at least equal suffrage and a parliamentary responsibility which would bring the domination of democratic principles, can mean peace, and not fifty years of war. Were Germany to become republican, I believe that the weight of their sympathetic political bodies would be so decisive that within a decade France and Germany would be in alliance, with the object of maintaining the security of Europe on the basis of advanced Socialistic principles.

Were a drawn conflict or a German victory possible, France would undoubtedly be forced, in self-defense, into a more directly centralized form of government, either in the shape of a dictator or a president with powers even more increased than our own. Even in the case of a successful war, great constitutional changes may be expected. In the impatience and disgust of the people