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### THE BELGIAN STRAIN IN ENGLAND.

A most select group of Belgian mechanics, who have succeeded in escaping from the occupied territory in spite of the German watch, are now working in Great Britain in the manufacturing of ammunition and of all kinds of war engines. Armourers come from the Liege district, metallurgists from the National war arms manufactory of Herstal, from the construction mills and from the aeroplane and automobile factories of the Hainaut, of Brussels, of Antwerp, and of Ghent, all having fooled the foe's frontier watch, have reached Holland and immediately landed in England, after crossing the North Sea. There are today 46,000 of them in the United Kingdom, all busily engaged in the most practical trades in this great war. Among these workmen can be found a large number of mechanics most expert in their respective classes, expert fitters, men who can run the most delicate mechanical tools, leaving out the miners whose professional capacity is still a subject of admiration of connoisseurs in all the countries of the world. The contribution of such a select agglomeration of artisans, producing with the whole energy created by a most ardent patriotic sentiment, is far from being a negative support.

The exiled Belgian manufacturers, also, have not remained idle. Far from being broken down by their unexpected adversity, they have been readily awakened for their new obligations and they are co-operating, as far as they can, towards their country's final deliverance. Not speaking of the numerous small plants wherein secondary pieces are manufactured, the Belgians have constructed in Great Britain four ammunition factories of large capacity, all of them operated by an exclusively Belgian staff. Every week, these four mills deliver thousands of shells of every calibre.

The Belgian nation does not want to die!

### SOLDIERS' INSURANCE.

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