

to the assimilation of every discovery and every advance, and that it be able to meet every new condition and new need. It must be above nothing, no matter how small, and beneath nothing, no matter how great.

One of the clearest evidences of civilisation is toleration. This presumes a broadmindedness which can eliminate the relative unimportance of personal views wherever these views do not ripen into action prejudicial to the existence and growth of civilisation. This toleration applies to many things, social as well as religious.

If the world were truly civilised, it would of necessity mean an end to war, for war would be quite superfluous, and could accomplish nothing of value. This is the truth underlying Norman Angell's *Great Illusion*. That war has been brought about by a nation is in itself a proof of the lack of civilisation of that nation, and when the methods of carrying on the war are even more barbarous than the fact of its inception, this proof is doubly clear. No matter how the analysis of present European conditions is made, one of the most salient facts that becomes evident is that scientific and educated Germany is fundamentally uncivilised.

In its very derivation, civilisation is what pertains to the citizen, and differs but slightly from politics in its broadest meaning. It would