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Four Years' War for Peace

(Continued from last week.)

The War On The Land

The forces of fourteen nations, including many millions of men of the European, American, Asiatic and African peoples, are wrestling on the soil of three continents on nine fronts covering thousands of miles.

To attempt the study of such a war in detail numbs the mind by the multiplicity of its factors and the bewildering variety of its forms. Yet the colossal dimensions of the conflict—not only its sheer bulk, but the enormous forces of the human spirit that it has called into action—give it, when looked at in perspective, a certain staggering simplicity. If we climb to some sufficiently lofty ridge of contemplation we get a view in which the details are lost and the outlines become clear; an outlook from which we can determine the main tendencies of the fight, and—it may be—can catch, through the mist and smoke, some sufficiently convincing glimpse of the goal to which it is surely moving.

The First Phase.

The true test of the fortune of war does not lie finally in the occupation of territory, the capture of fortresses or the penetration of lines. These things all have their measure of importance. But vie-

