

the past, and will again, repair British lack of war material, but at heavy cost. Deborah's inspired war song made men and soldiers of her hearers, who, doubtless, told the story to their children, so that the warrior race remained in peace until forgetfulness of their record and the arts of ease and opulence made them effeminate and an easy spoil to the Midianitish foe.

The Psalms abound in lyrics and may explain, to some extent, the war record of the chosen nation. The poet Homer, two hundred years after Solomon had been gathered to his fathers, wandered from place to place, singing his ballads of the Trojan war, and who shall say that to him was not largely due that infusion of martial spirit which made of the Greeks a nation, whose fame shall live so long as the world shall last? Lord Byron believed in the inherency of this spirit when he chanted his war songs in the early days of the century. Nor was he all mistaken. His satire and his vigor combined, in