

**A Hyphenoid Protest and a Stinging Rebuke.**

(By HENRY DALLY.)

I am favored by a friend with a copy of a tract, which is being circulated in Canada, entitled "Private Profit and the Nation's Honor: A Protest and a Plea." It is written by the Rev. Charles F. Aked, D.D., LL.D., minister of the First Congregational Church at San Francisco; formerly of Pembroke Baptist Church, Liverpool; resident in America since 1907; citizen of the United States since 1913; and the Rev. Walter Rauschenbush, D.D., Professor of Church History at Rochester Theological Seminary, author of "Christianity and the Social Crisis," etc.; a native born citizen of the United States, born American citizen of German blood—short for hyphenated American. A postscript to the tract conveys the gratifying intelligence that "this matter is released to the press. We shall welcome the aid of anyone who will give publicity to this protest by publishing, reprinting, quoting or discussing it." The two reverend gentlemen commence by saying that, in common with all the citizens of the United States, they are morally involved in the trade in arms and ammunition, and they wish to cleanse their conscience, at least, by protest. That the two Hyphenoids should be anxious to cleanse their consciences is at any rate a hopeful sign, but the protest will not go far in the way of purification.

Dr. Aked is not of much interest to the public, although he is hyphenated in religion and hyphenated in nationality; but Dr. Rauschenbush is interesting because he represents a type, which threatens to develop into a dangerous disease in the American body-politic. He is one of the German-Americans who want to Germanize America—or, as the Kaiser already calls it, "Greater Germany." He is a Doctor of the kind of Hyphenated Divinity which consists of about 99.5 per cent of Germany or Hohenzollernism and 0.5 per cent divinity. With magnificent audacity, or incomparable stupidity, the reverend gentlemen make their plea on the ground of HUMANITY. They say that no one denies the "legality" of the trade in ammunition; but what German cares about legality in war? What are they worried about, what their consciences are uneasy about, is the inhumanity of the business. They say thousands of lonely graves tell the tale of large dividends running into American pockets. If we can get enough ammunition to the front the German graves won't be so lonely. But the humane Hyphenoids do not carry their humanitarianism to extremes. In the whole tract there is not one word of denunciation for

the German atrocities perpetrated in Belgium and France, on the East Coast of England, or in the war zone. To judge by the protest of the two doctors of divinity there was nothing inhuman in the torpedoing of the Lusitania, in the baby-killing at Scarborough, Southend and other English towns, or in the awful, savage and beastly carnival of frightfulness in Belgium! "If this war proves to be the bloody angle at which the road turns from ages of warfare to an age of peace," prattle the two reverend doctors, "History for centuries to come will study the part played by different nations on this Calvary of humanity." "Is America, then to stand in the sight of posterity with a bag in its hands," they anxiously enquire. Unlike the two Christian ministers, History will take into account the part played by Germany on the Calvary of humanity and it will recognize that Germany took the leading part among the crucifying rabble.

The German-Americans, like the German-Germans, blame American trade for what is obviously due to the impotency of the Germany navy. "For argument's sake," says the tract, "let us imagine—what is very unlikely—that a series of disasters overtook the British so that it lost control of the seas." (How came Bernstein to overlook that admission?) "The German fleet could then intercept neutral shipping as the British fleet is intercepting it now. American cargoes of food destined for Britain would be taken to German ports. The British people would eat potato bread and have strictly limited quantities of that issued by Government bread cards. The Teutonic allies could buy unlimited American guns and shot and shell to overwhelm British armies or ships. How long would our present logic seem convincing then? How long would it be before we laid an embargo on munitions of war and demanded that American food and cotton should have free access to ports not blockaded?"

The answer to that is very simple: the United States would only be an historic expression if Germany got control of the seas.

It is ominously significant that such a tract should emanate from ministers of religion and college professors just at a time when a great organized effort is being made to assimilate education in the United States to what passes for education in Germany. Nothing less than the substitution of German Kultur for American ideals is deliberately aimed at;—but that is another story.

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Will Stand by Their Allies in Deal  
ing With Bulgars Says Premier  
Salandra

TURIN, Italy, Oct. 10—(Via Paris, Oct. 11)—Premier Salandra announced at an important cabinet council, according to the Stampa's Rome correspondent that the Italian diplomatic policy in dealing with Bulgaria had been all along in line with that of the allies and would continue to be so. He declared that any diplomatic action taken by Italy's allies would be taken also by Italy and that such action was imminent.

The Premier is said to have asserted that his government viewed the Balkan situation calmly, believing it might have the advantage of shortening the war and bringing about the final success of the allies. He announced that all military measures had been taken both for the war now in progress on Italy's frontiers and that impending in the Balkans.

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"The first charge made by our men from the Vermelles trenches in the grey light of Saturday morning, which carried them through the village of Loos and to the summit of Hill 70, brands this as one of the most glorious exploits of the British army. Nothing could stop them, two German trenches defending the village fell first; then a race across the open country and they were in the streets of Loos. Some hand to hand fighting with bombs and bayonets and then out of the village to the slope of Hill 70 about half a mile to the east. The desperate rush took them to the summit, some going even behind until checked by a strong earth defence with numerous machine guns. The enemy's batteries had by this time began to concentrate on the slope of the hill, and therefore our men were ordered to dig in about one hundred yards from the summit.

"Fierce fighting occurred around the hill Sunday and Monday. The new army battalions played an important part in the attack. Men who had no experience in real fighting sprang forward to the sound of the officers' whistles with a dash and gallantry which nothing could stop. Paying no heed to the terrible fire poured on them from hidden guns, they pressed forward at a steady pace, making their way through the barbed wire entanglements, forging the enemy's trenches and bayonetting the Germans in them. Germans caught hiding in cellars from which they kept up a steady fire on the men dashing through the streets of the village were hauled forth. Machine guns firing through holes in the walls of cottages were discovered and captured.

"The village was protected by a triple line of barbed wire of extraordinary thickness and strength, the bars being nearly an inch in length. The first two lines had been well destroyed by the artillery, but the third stood still, and this had to be cut by men standing in the open, exposed to the enemy's fire. One man said that in the trenches around the town the

German dead, in some places were piled four deep. Many cellars contained Germans seeking protection from the bombardment, and into the houses dashed the bomb throwers. They pulled up the flap of the cellars and dropped in a couple of bombs. In one dugout a German officer was found with a telephone receiver at his ear. He had been directing the fire of the German guns on the village after the brush occurred.

"The village itself was badly damaged. The church was a shapeless mass of bricks. Houses were blown to bits, streets were piled with debris, amid which lay many hundreds of dead and wounded. The few French inhabitants still living in the village consisted of two or three families mostly women."

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filled high with bales of cotton, but had all disappeared before he left for New York.

When it comes to recruiting on foreign soil, the back-to-the-farm movement will have to call in the conscription plan.

Postmasters would know better what to do with poisonous powder sent by mail if the dead letter office hadn't been abolished.

German spies sought for in Lapland are better off than in San Marino, Mr. Leventritt said. When he only because they have so much more room to maneuver in.

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