

whose resources seem to be illimitable and who is using every device, every invention, every means, fair and foul, to break through the line of heroes which extends from Holland to Switzerland. The whole spirit of the French Army seems to be typified in an incident which happened during the battle of the Marne. A French General, Castelnau, a descendant of one of the famous Vendéens, who fought until the last breath in defence of the white flag of the Bourbons, and who had four sons in the army, was dictating his orders to his staff, when one of his aides approached him and said: "Mon Général, news has just come that one of your sons has been killed." For one instant, the father's heart beat stronger than the heart of the soldier, but for an instant only. The soldier's spirit soon asserted itself and he said to his staff: "Gentlemen, let us continue," and he went on dictating his orders as if nothing had happened. Every father's heart bleeds for such a father, but every man is thankful and proud that the human race has produced such specimens.

What is the situation to-day? On the one side, we have Germany, Austria-Hungary and Turkey; on the other, Great Britain, France, Russia, Italy, Belgium, Serbia and Montenegro. Look on the map of Europe and see what is left. If the Balkan states join one side or the other, one's mind is