

use. It is only because there are no scales provided that any one dare suggest that the sword should be the arbiter.

When this war is over all will be ready to "highly resolve that these "dead shall not have died in vain."

"When the guns cease fire and all is still from the woods and "fields and seas, from the skeleton towns of ravaged countries, "the wistful dead will rise and with their eyes accuse us. In that "hour we shall have for answer only this: We fought for a better "future for mankind.

"Did we? Do we? That is the great question. Is our gaze "really fixed on the far horizon? Or do we only dream it; and "have the slain no comfort in their untimely darkness: the maimed, "the ruined, the bereaved no thread of consolation? Is it all to "be for nothing but the salving of National prides? And shall "the Ironie Spirit fill the whole world with his laughter?

"Or shall the nations take the first step in that grand march "of real deliverance which will make the whole earth—at last—"the islands of the blessed? (Galsworthy)."

If "there is no hope of that, if, as some students of life hold, "war will always happen because life itself is a continual warfare "and one man lives only at the expense of another, then there "is no hope, and all the ideals of men striving for the progress of "mankind, all the dreams of poets and the sacrifices of scientists "are utterly vain and foolish, and pious men should pray God to "touch this planet with a star and end the folly of it all."—Gibbs, "'Soul of the War.'"