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THE SITUATION

It has, of course, been plain from the very inception, that the German plan is to get to Paris as speedily as possible, but the plucky Belgians have put a decided kink in what the Kaiser expected would be the first easy phase of the matter.

The way to the French capital in the war of 1870 was comparatively easy. The French troops were speedily demoralized, and Paris had no defences worth mentioning. Napoleon III. declared war on July 15th, and by September 10th the Germans had the French capital completely invested. There won't be any such quick business on this occasion. The French army has been splendidly built up and the men are full of enthusiasm, a feeling notably lacking on the last occasion when the two countries met in mortal combat. Moreover, Paris now possesses some of the best defences in Europe. If the Germans can get held back for any length of time, it would certainly seem to portend a short war. The Russians are always slow in effecting mobilization, mainly because of her large area, 8,400,000 square miles, or more than twice the size of Canada, and her lack of railway facilities. When her troops get massed, Germany will find herself in a very perilous condition.

That the Kaiser deems himself to be a divine instrument is well known, and also the fact that the idea has been sedulously cultivated in the Fatherland that her people have a world mission. In this regard a writer says:—

"The reflective simple German people have become the most militant, the most critical, the most powerful in arms and in aggregate brain power on the Continent. The German Emperor has pronounced Germany's future to lie 'on the seas,' and Germans are ready to follow, believing as in some revealed call of destiny.

"Germany's place in the world is thought by Germany to be controlled by two agencies—by geographical position and by the historical part she is destined to perform there.

"In almost every public political utterance of the Emperor, of his ministers, ambassadors, soldiers, officials, professors or Pan-German agitators, who on all national and international questions, vie with one another in pyrotechnical display, the idea of a mission that Germany has to fulfill is illuminated. It is taught in the schools, accepted as a gospel by all save the social democracy."

The Kaiser thought that such a time had arrived, but he must by now realize that he sorely miscalculated, especially when he thought that John Bull and his overseas dominions would stand aside as spectators. He is in for a thorough trouncing, and the nations will, without any doubt, make a complete job of it. The world cannot afford to stand any longer for such a menace as the Kaiser has proved himself. It isn't all plain sailing, but the work has to be done.

NO NEED FOR A PANIC

The financial editor of Toronto Saturday Night has built up a deserved reputation for careful and excellent judgment. It is for this reason that the Courier reprints the following special article written by him:—

"Investors and others should not become panicky over the fact that Europe is plunged into war. The vast amounts that the combatant nations have borrowed cannot be destroyed, but must remain in circulation. Gold will be hoarded by the powers for a time, as what any of them most dread is shortage of war funds. Germany has voted \$1,250,000,000 to spend on this war, and Britain has appropriated \$1,025,000,000 to finance its campaign. After a time much of this money must again be loosened, and put into general circulation. Part of it will flow to the United States, and be there available for purchase by Canada. The citizens of Canada will not, let us hope, be drawn directly into this war maelstrom. They will serve the Empire with their services, with their money and with their property, but it seems unlikely that the Dominion will be an actual scene of war. In one sense, therefore, Canada can stand aside and watch the march of events. Canadians can serve the Empire by keeping their business going, by introducing economies, and by eliminating waste of every description. It

becomes now the duty of every active producer to redouble his efforts to create foodstuffs and the manufacturer of staples, instead of becoming panicky, should, with the co-operation of his bankers, see to it that his wheels do not stop running. Canada must, in a sense, feed herself and supply herself with Canadian-made utensils, clothing and other materials. More than this, she must be prepared to send all possible consignments of wheat, grains and domestic articles into Great Britain, and to France if she can reach that country. There need not necessarily be any destruction of capital in Canada—providing no armed horde sees fit to invade this Dominion, and the Munroe doctrine will no doubt see to that. Canada has to fight to keep her trade from going to pieces. If Britain clears the trade routes, there will be an insistent market for anything Canada can produce and send over in ships. Great Britain has made an ally of Russia in this instance, in order that the enormous food production of Russia will be available for British needs. The trade routes between Britain and Russia are infinitely shorter and more easy to police and keep open than are the trade routes between England and her far-off colonies. But despite this, Britain will look to the United States, Canada, Central and South America to provide her fighting population and her peaceful citizens with what they cannot really produce themselves. Also there will be a great demand for United States and Canadian money. The United States Government has been willing to put all the gold it can safely conserve, both to cut short any possible panic occurring in that country, to act as a bulwark behind the banks and other financial institutions, and partially to serve as an investment fund. The United States has already loaned millions of dollars to the fighting powers. If the duration of the war is extended, more war loans will be floated by Britain, Russia, France, Germany and the remaining powers. More especially France must soon call home money. Loans from all the warring nations may in part, be offered to the United States and Canada. They will call for interest at a high rate, and the owners of capital in either the United States or Canada may thus transfer their holdings into the care of one or another of the great European powers, being assured that at the close of the war, the debtor nation will make every effort to pay off these liabilities. Already there are certain signs of what may be called distress in Canada. That is to say, some who have committed themselves to liabilities in the way of mortgage payments and the like, basing their ability to pay on their income in times of peace, now find their incomes cut down, if not wiped out. Under these conditions, many a conservative investor, who is in funds, and who has found his income from stocks or other investments reduced to a minimum, may be able to make land, stocks, mortgages or other purchases on such basis that when the last of the war clouds has dissipated, his total loss will be materially reduced. That is to say, he will lose in one direction and gain in another.

Also, it is not at all certain that this mammoth European war will be allowed to go to any great lengths. It has become the duty of Great Britain and the allies to crush the war spirit out of the Kaiser of Germany and his war-mad advisers. It is a curious situation—the peoples of the world have deep regard and respect for the ordinary German citizen. They regard him as their real enemies, the Kaiser and his Sovereign house. Once the German navy and army are humbled, the overseas trade elements will immediately begin to readjust themselves. Britain and her allies will make the campaign as short as it may be, provided they do not meet with great reverses which must prolong the end. More than fifty million dollars is now being spent in war each twenty-four hours, and if this huge waste is allowed to go on, many of the nations must necessarily bankrupt themselves. Therefore the leading bankers of the world will, after a time make every effort to put an end to hostilities. And, with the nations once more at peace, the wheels of Canada will turn night and day to try and furnish the unprecedented demand that will necessarily arise for the products of her factories, farms and all domestic trade establishments."

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ARE DECEIVED German People Not Allowed to Hear of Any German Losses.

[By Special Wire to The Courier.] PARIS, Aug. 14, 3.25 p.m.—An official communication issued to-day says that since the beginning of the war the German people has been systematically deceived by false news, circulated by a large German agency with the object of making Germans believe their troops had gained great advantages. It adds that there has been an absolute suppression of all news disadvantageous to the Germans.

The French Government, it is stated, had decided to issue a daily news bulletin for distribution among the French troops. This would be composed of reports of field operations and of important events in France, the object being to create a strong link between the French soldiers in the field and their relatives.

The decision to issue this bulletin was reached as a result of correspondence between Adolphe Essimy, French Minister of War and Premier Rene Viviani

In Quebec married men offering their services have to show the written consent of the wife. It speaks well for French-Canadian women that thousands of such consents have been received by the authorities.

The business-like way in which the British have taken hold has earned world-wide admiration. Napoleon used to sneer at them as "a nation of shop-keepers." They stored his army all right and will now help to do the same with Emperor William.

Evidences are becoming more and more marked in the States of a cordial feeling towards Great Britain and her course in the present fight. Many of the people there are also for the first time commencing to realize what a grand bulwark John Bull is with regard to freedom and treaty obligations.

LIEGE NOT YET FALLEN

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Liege contradicts the rumors that they had surrendered. The battle is declared to be still going on. The official announcement adds that the conduct and courage of the soldiers and inhabitants of Liege have been exemplary as they realize that France has replied to the appeal of Belgium for aid.

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Uncle Walt The Poet Philosopher

PORTERHOUSE Oh, luscious steak, you seem to make my innards squirm with pleasure! Of all the meat that can't be beat, you are the pride and treasure. The cook has toiled with zest and broiled the steak just to my liking upon my plate I see it wait, magnificent and striking. The gods are kind, that we can find such meat in steers and cowboys; all men with tanks should give them thanks for juch-thick porterhouses. The doctor views my steak and chews the rag about my diet; "you beat the Turks," he cries; "your works will soon be in a riot. You ought to eat the wholesome beet, the turnip and the carrot, the bean and squash, so help me, Josh," he jabbars, like a parrot. "That grub's too rich, 'twill give you itch, and mumps and yellow jaundice; it troubles makes, so cut out steaks, and chickens, ducks and ganders." But man will buy his health too high if he feeds like the horses, and lives on hay day after day, and browses where the gorse is. I'd rather eat the juicy meat of which no man is fonder, and ere my time cash in, and climb to starry heights up yonder.

TYPE OF SOLDIERS FIGHTING GERMAN FORCES IN BELGIUM



BELGIAN INFANTRY ON THE MARCH TO THE FRONTIER.

closed and in the event that a hamlet is occupied by German troops to evacuate it in order to give the Germans no opportunity of accusing non-combatants of firing upon them.

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Great Bargains Await You This Saturday COME!

Saturday will be Remnant Day. Remnants are Marked to Clear. GREAT BARGAINS

Read This List of Bargains

- 5 pieces of Colored Striped Flannelette for Night gowns, underwear, etc. Expansion Price 82c
Scotch Ginghams in stripes and checks, guaranteed fast colors. Regular 15 to 25c a yard. Expansion Price 82c
An extra fine white Cotton, 36 inches wide, no dressing or starch. Expansion Price 82c
3 dozen children's fancy Summer Parasols. Expansion Price 29c
Misses' fancy Summer Parasols. Expansion Price 49c
34-inch Natural Shantung Silk, no dressing. Expansion Price 33c
36-inch Black Paillette Silk, all pure silk, good wearing qualities. Expansion Price 87c

Crash Towelling Bargain An all pure linen 18-inch Crash Towelling, with colored border—yes, all pure linen, something you can rely on to give satisfaction. IT'S A GREAT BARGAIN. EXPANSION SALE PRICE 82c

Remember Saturday is Remnant Day

Hosiery Ladies' Colored Cotton and Lisle Thread Hose, double sole, spliced heel and toe. Regular 25c. Expansion Price 9c
Ladies' Black, Tan and all colors, plain and lace, cotton or lisle Hose, double sole, spliced heel and toe. Regular 25c. Expansion Price 12c

Nightgowns Ladies' fine Crepe and Nainsook Night Gowns, beautifully trimmed with lace and ribbon, slipover and button fronts. Regular \$1.50. Expansion Price 97c

Ladies' Parasols Ladies' Gloria top, taped edge, Black Parasol. Regular \$1.50. Expansion Price 98c

Remember That Saturday is Remnant Day Crepes, Bedford Cords and Diagonal Cotton Suitings, about 50 pieces, all colors. These must be cleared. Regular 35c and 50c. EXPANSION SALE PRICE 19c

Black Silk Peau-de-Soie 36 inch wide Black Silk Peau de Soie, a silk we warrant you will give entire satisfaction. Regular value \$1.50. EXPANSION SALE PRICE 79c

Curtain Scrim 5 pieces of fine Curtain Scrim, cream ground, with dainty colored border. Only, yard 15c

Ladies' Combinations Ladies' fine nainsook French hand embroidered Corset Cover and Drawer Combination. Regular \$1.75. Expansion Price 98c

Straw Shapes All this season's shapes in Black and Lusia. Regular values up to \$5.00 and \$6.00. Saturday only 73c

Cream Serge 1 piece 52-inch fine Cream Serge, something that will wash. Regular \$1.10. Expansion Price 69c

Children's Rompers Children's Rompers, in chambray, print and gingham, small stripes and checks, sizes 2 to 6 years 49c

Fancy Collars Ladies' Fancy Collars, Jabots, etc. A great big slaughter takes place Saturday. Only, each 5c

Ribbons Beautiful Dresden and Ottoman Cord Roman stripe Ribbons, lovely colorings. Regular value 75c. Expansion Price 25c

Big Bargains This Saturday—SHOP EARLY

Ogilvie, Lochhead & Co.

WINNING NUMBERS ANNOUNCEMENT

Industrial Exhibition Most Pronounced Success of the Week.

If any section of the Old Home Week was a success beyond all expectation, it was the Industrial Exhibition of Made-in-Brantford. Night after night the armories filled with astonished Brantford and during the course of the week is computed some 20,000 people had the drill hall.

POLAND WILL GET FREEDOM FROM THE GERMANS

Grand Duke Says That the Accepted Hour is at Hand.

[By Special Wire to The Courier] LONDON, Aug. 15.—8 a.m. despatch to Reuters Telegram company from St. Petersburg says Grand Duke Nicholas, commander-in-chief of the Russian army, has dressed a manifesto to Poland, appealing for the loyalty of the Poles and promising them autonomy. The manifesto reads: "The hour has sounded which the sacred dream of your fathers has realized. A hundred and fifty ago the living body of Poland torn to pieces, but her soul survived and she lived in hope that for Polish people would come an era of regeneration and reconciliation with Russia. The Russian army brings you solemn news of this reconciliation which effaces the frontiers, sets the Polish people, whom it unites jointly under the sceptre of the Russian Emperor. Under this sceptre land will be born again, free, religion, her language and a glorious future. Russia expects from you loyalty to which history has witness. With open heart and a broad hand extended, great Russia comes to meet you. She believes that the sword which struck her enemy Greunewald, is not yet rusted. Russia from the shores of the Pacific Ocean to the North marches in arms. The dawn of life commences for you. In this hour dawn is seen the sign of the cross—the symbol of suffering the resurrection of a people. Wm. Watt, a young Canadian was only ten days married, was by lightning at Fenton, Michigan.

Special Sale

- OUR BIG Youths' Canvas Leather sole. Men's Patent Leather shoes, broken in. Men's high-grade shoes \$5.00 and \$4.00. Misses' and Children's shoes. For SEE OUR

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