

## THE GERMAN EMPIRE'S

requirements for expansion ; in this direction it is necessary for us sooner or later to break these chains which are, if maintained, intolerable to our navigation, and must in case of war constitute a grave danger. But to this end it is not necessary to destroy the Anglo-Saxon World dominion which Homer Lea declares to be absolutely necessary for the future greatness of Germany. Germany's wants could be easily satisfied out of the excessive abundance of England's possessions. But it seems as if England desires to continue the contest for sole command of the sea. And therefore it must be her principle always to fight the State that may become the most dangerous, and first of all Japan before the latter grows into too powerful an opponent in the Pacific. But for such purpose she would require all her maritime forces and this may appear to her a doubtful enterprise in face of the strong German Navy. For that reason she favours the course of using the first favourable opportunity of destroying