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"We are fighting for a worthy purpose, and we shall not lay down
our arms until that purpose has been fully achieved."—H. M. The King.
TO THE PEOPLE OF THE EMPIRE—Every fighting unit we can
send to the front means one step nearer peace.

BIG INTERESTS.

The Telegraph, which has been
owned and controlled by many groups
in the past and has been somewhat
chameleon-like in its adoption of var-
ious and irreconcilable political poli-
cies, seems strangely silent on the
subject of profits and graft with which
it has been more or less directly con-
nected for many years. It reminds
one forcibly of the story of two fish-
women once engaged in a wordy dis-
pute:

"Call her out of her name, mother,"
said the daughter of one of the vocifer-
ous females, "call her out of her name
first before she calls you out of yours!"

It cannot, however, either by camou-
flage or detraction make the people of
this province believe that it is quite
staunch in its professed desire for hon-
esty in public life while it continues
to pick at the motives in the eyes of
others, overlooking the beam in its
own. Suggestions that The Standard
or the provincial party which it rep-
resents are desirous of union or co-
alition or any other form of combina-
tion will not convince the public that
the rake-off of \$35,000 made in drog-
ing by one of the Telegraph's owners
was in the interests of good govern-
ment or an honest transaction. Nor
with the public be likely to believe that
while the Telegraph remains under its
present control, either business or edi-
torial, there is likely to be an exposure
of any real or supposed wrongdoing
except on the part of a political body
which is not for the time being in con-
trol of that paper. No one supposed
for a moment that that journal, con-
trolled as it is, desires to augment the
amount which must be paid by certain
lumber operators to the province. It
would far rather see direct taxation
imposed upon the people of New
Brunswick to meet the deficit of the
province which it gloated editorially a few
days ago, than exact a single dollar of tax-
ation from the interests which control
it. Let it be said, once for all, that
The Standard is not advocating a
union government in provincial af-
fairs but that it realizes that the same
reasons the present government is un-
able to effectively grapple with a num-
ber of problems which require the
strongest possible forces to deal with
them. The Standard is abundantly sat-
isfied that if the present government
were to go to the polls tomorrow it
would fail to receive the endorsement
of the people. On the other hand the
new government would in all proba-
bility not have a majority in the House
much greater than the present govern-
ment enjoys. The Telegraph may and
probably will deny this statement, but
it will not do it because it believes in
the truth of its denial. It will be done
under the orders of the interests
which control that paper, interests
which have made much money out of
the people in the past and are always
on the alert to make more by the same
methods. Meanwhile the Telegraph
sets up a "smoke screen" combined of
muck-raking and suggestions that
other interests seek to get control at
Fredericton. Observant people do not
forget that the Union administration
had scarcely been formed at Ottawa
when the Telegraph announced that
company was in process of formation
to take over the works at Courtenay
Bay. Many people know the connec-
tion of Messrs. Moore and McAvity
with the old Courtenay Bay contract
and the desperate efforts they have
made to reap a huge profit from that
enterprise. More people are aware of
the connection between these gentle-
men and the Telegraph. Not a few
have observed the fact that when Hon.
Mr. Carvell did not embrace the new
Courtenay Bay idea with open arms
but that his party got but a chilly
support from that organ, not of public
opinion, nor of political party, but of
personal interests and big interests at
that. Is there a connection? It is up
to the Telegraph to have another in-
vestigation and to take care that there
is not a complete evanescence of mem-
ory such as accompanied the testimony
of some directors of the late Central
Railway.

THE CANADIAN WAY.

This war has demonstrated to all the
world the stuff that Canada is made
of. Prior to August, 1914, our land and
its people had indeed won among the
better informed of foreign peoples re-
cognition as a virgin country of incal-
culable potential wealth, inhabited by
a race whose descent from hardy an-
cestors of British or French extraction
suggested their ability to turn that
potential wealth into actual commer-
cial values. Yet withal these elements
in our favor, there is no need to deny
that we were laboring under a certain
handicap in the upbuilding and expan-
sion of our life as a nation. We had

such a vast territory, an expanse of
country larger than that of the sister
land to the south of us, while our pop-
ulation was scarcely one-twelfth of
that accredited to that great common-
wealth. Then also in addition to the
problem of securing adequate harbors
and not only to develop the vast latent
resources of our country but one also
possessed of those racial traits which
in the process of evolution in this new
environment would readily yield to
that measure of assimilation without
which there could never be developed
a homogeneous nation the problem
of our statesmen was still further in-
tensified and complicated. Moreover,
we were a great borrowing nation and
our financiers had quite developed the
habit of pilgrimages, more or less fre-
quent, to London, while New York and
Paris as well had made some acquaint-
ance with these same travellers from
the land of the maple. And let it be
stated that such deputations who went
to foreign parts in former years seek-
ing to harter Canadian securities for
ready money were for the most part
made more than welcome by their
hosts, for of recent decades there were
few, indeed, if any, among the financial
men of Europe who regarded Canada
as was once contemptuously said of
her by a certain old-time monarch of
France who termed her as an "arpen-
de neige."

Up to the year 1911 the expenditure
on railways by the government of Can-
ada was something like \$7,740,000
pounds sterling or approximately \$60,
000,000 dollars, with an additional \$6,
763,000 pounds or \$53,000,000 dollars
expended upon Canada. The total ex-
penditure on Canada March 31, 1912, amounted
to some \$68,335,593 dollars and the
net debt to \$39,919,592 dollars, nor had
it occurred to the Canadian people
prior to that time to undertake to fi-
nance their own undertakings to any
considerable extent. That must not be
from the time came the war and with
it a tightening up of the purse strings,
if not an actual closing of those finan-
cial doors against Canadian borrowers
which had formerly afforded them
most cordial and hearty welcome. Lon-
don needs all her own money and
does not want to finance the war of
any other nation. Paris, too, needs
money and is unable to finance the war
of any other nation. These new and unexpected conditions
certainly demanded of Canada a vigor-
ous reconsideration and reconstruction
of her entire financial methods if she
would not only continue her part in the
struggle for the liberation of the world
abroad, but likewise at home, succeed
in the adjustment of her urgent do-
mestic problems. It was fortunate in-
deed for her that at such a crucial
time in her history the men at the
helm were equal to the demands of
the hour and were aided by the world's
wealth and faith and initiative which
enabled them to lead the country out
of its captivity to the will of foreign
money lenders into the promised land
of citizen citizenship. The Govern-
ment asked the people to lend the
money which was necessary to the
country over the crisis that had
all but developed under the already
mentioned conditions and to the ever-
lasting credit of the people of the Do-
minion as well as a testimony to the
confidence reposed by them in the in-
tegrity of their legislative body, they
responded promptly and nobly to the
appeal, and already as the Wall Street
Journal points out, something over
\$500,000,000 of these war bonds have
been absorbed by the citizens of Can-
ada.

Here is a fine testimony to the
virtue of our people and there is no
better asset for any country to culti-
vate than that same virtue. Already
the name of Canada has been blazoned
throughout the world as a country
able to sustain itself and to fulfill its
destiny by its own unaided efforts;
able, through the energy and thrift of
her people to successfully finance her
own undertakings whatever these may
be for the greater development of the
natural resources of her rich and wide-
spreading domains.

Writing of this Canadian trait of
thrift the editor of the Wall Street
Journal in a recent issue makes the
following interesting observations
which every Canadian ought to read
and heed:

"There are racial and political differ-
ences in Canada, but thrift is common,
honestly, household term. It is a Do-
minion-wide virtue, characteristic of
the past and the aggressive, as well as
of the industrious and ambitious. There
is in Canadian thrift a saving grace,
an indistinguishable attribute of
Scottish Presbyterian, Ontario, and
French-Canadian habitant."

THE HARBOR.

Of recent years both in Europe and
America as well as far away in the
Orient much attention has been paid
in ever increasing degree by the most

progressive business minds to the mat-
ter of harbor facilities.

What in this direction was regard-
ed by some, before the rush and crush
of war shipments crowded various
harbors to an extent scarcely previ-
ously credited, as a pernicious and pro-
gressive sentiment has now every-
where assumed all the characteristics
of a most important and pressing
problem. The Board of Trade has re-
cently had this matter brought to its
attention and that body has been as-
sured by Commissioner Wigmore that
the prospects for the nationalization
of the port of St. John are now bright-
er than at any time in its previous
history. The fullest development of
the shipping possibilities with which
nature has been pleased to endow this
city and port is no more matter of self-
ish pride with its citizens. It is to be
feared that too frequently in the past
whenever the subject of harbor im-
provement has been honestly
made in this direction there were not
wanting those who could see but little
in such propositions save the out-
working of a more or less local and
selfish policy. At last we have gotten
fairly well away and beyond that criti-
cal, selfish attitude by now in any
part of our Dominion. What an eleva-
tor would be without a delivery spout
that our Dominion would be without
adequate harbor facilities. St. John
belongs to Canada and all Canada be-
longs to St. John considered from this
standpoint. The fullest development
of the marvellous natural harbor pos-
sibilities of St. John will assuredly
benefit St. John; let it never be for-
gotten however that such development
of shipping facilities at this point in
Canada's coast line will benefit Can-
ada more.

OUR SOLDIERS.

"Give me such men as Canadians
and I'll go anywhere" said a German officer
who was captured at the recent battle
of Passchendaele, one of the fiercest
engagements in which the Hun ever
joined issue with the forces of free-
dom. There were several units en-
gaged that day but the palm truly fell
to the boys from Canada and saying that
it was no bombastic brag. At that battle
the most devilish kind of gas that has
ever been projected against man was
used by the Boches, but withal
they could not make these lads of ours
take to their heels. The fact is that
Canadians are not built that way. So
they stuck it out to the bitter end until
there was nothing more for them to do
for they had either destroyed or cap-
tured the enemy's officers and all. Then
a reflection dawned upon the Prussian
mind and one of them was generous
enough to pay the above striking trib-
ute to Canadian valor. And this trib-
ute from the vanquished enemy was
entirely merited. No more of all the
long history of wars and battles have
there appeared upon the field of gore a
hardier, tougher, more capable or more
determined breed of fighting men than
those, some four hundred thousand
who went from the free life of Canada
to damp back the oncoming waves of
the enemies of life and liberty.

"Immortal they who won Ypres!"
O Canada! thy sons untired,
Died as heroes ever died.

Was it the blood of all their sires
Calling them on and on through fire?
Exhaustion, agony, despair,
A deadly gas that filled the air.
Nor flinched, nor ever thought retreat,
These lads who did not know defeat,
Fought on and on until they won.

O Canada! thy worthy sons!
The midnight hour in that dark wood
Their souls in exaltation stood;
They vanquished death; Immortal
they,
Who saved the Empire at Ypres."

So sang a Canadian poet in the stir-
ring poem "Ypres," and since that
great triumph of the boys from Can-
ada became history, there have been
added by them innumerable and bril-
liant exploits throughout the long bat-
tle zone from Scotch Wood, St.
Julien down to Passchendaele.

THE WAR AND RELIGION.

That this war is a most serious
business is admitted upon every side,
and as was to be expected the serious-
ness of the world situation involved
has found expression throughout all
religious circles. Every organized
body of people professing the Christian
faith and representing the Christian
principle has animatedly to this
solemn fact in words at once grave
and trenchant. The highest dignitaries
in church and state have felt impelled
to regard this war and all that it has
imposed upon the nations as a problem
not merely physical but also and pre-
eminently spiritual. Hence the Pope
has spoken on various occasions ad-
dressing himself to his people through-
out the world in every nation affected
by these hostilities. He has spoken
with all the solemnity and authority
of the head of a great historic church,
a church that has stood for centuries
while successive empires have been
organized and broken up. He has called
upon his people to regard this
whole conflict in the light of the teach-
ings of the church and he has attempted
to bring "for wild confusion
peace." Now once again the voice of
the Holy Father is heard pleading with
the believers to abstain from war-
fare against undefended cities involv-
ing terrible sufferings upon the help-
less inhabitants as well as ruthlessly
destroying the treasures of the centu-
ries in art and historic edifice. The

Little Benny's Note Book

There was some snow in the street in places, and General Shiny
Martin was making Company B march through it to get them used to all
kinds of weather, and Sergeant Sid Hunt's fox terrier Teddy was jumping
all around and barking, and General Martin said, Halt.

With we all did, and General Martin said, You dog acts like a spy, I
wouldn't be surprised if it wasn't one of them Germin dashbunt.

That's what it is, all right, and General Puds Sinkins, its a educated
Germin dashbunt and its trying to find out secrets and tell them to the
Kaiser, execute the spy, execute the spy.

And the hole company all except Sergeant Hunt all started to chase
Teddy, yelling, Execute the spy, execute the spy. And Lieutenant Ed
Wernick saw him by the tale, Teddy just having about snuff tale to
catch him by, and Company B got all around him in a circle, General
Martin saying, Prisoner dashbunt spy, have you got anything to say in
your own defense?

With Teddy barked 3 times, and General Martin said, He admits it,
I sentence him to be executed.

Hay, you better not touch him, sed Sergeant Sid Hunt, hes no dash-
bunt and if anybody touches him ill resign from the company.

Wy, you must be in leech with him, I got a good mind to have you
executed, too, sed General Martin.

If you do ill take my clothes props back and then you wont have
anything to drill with, sed Sergeant Hunt.

G, do you want to bust up the army, that would be a dirty trick, sed
General Martin and Sergeant Hunt sed, Well, you better leave my dog
alone or ill do it anyhow.

With General Martin whispered to General Puds Sinkins, and General
Sinkins walked away and then came running back waving a peeces of
paper in the air and yelling, Gitty up, gitty up, a paridin from the pres-
ident, a paridin from the president. With General Martin took the paper
and pretended to read it, saying, The prisoner is discharged, fowled-
march. And Company B started to march again sed Sid Hunt's fox
terrier Teddy started to jump around them and bark again just as if
nobody hadn't ever suspected him of being a Germin dashbunt spy.

leaders of the great Protestant
churches have also spoken out with no
uncertain sound as to the meaning of
this frightful armageddon. From
countless pulpits the moral and spiri-
tual issues involved have been most
earnestly and clearly defined. And
now comes a new voice echoing
throughout the Christian world sum-
moning it to prayer. It is not the
voice of a priest although he who
speaks is the acknowledged head of
one national church, but it is the voice
of a King, of the Sovereign ruler of
the mightiest Empire on earth, an em-
pire that includes over one-quarter of
the area of the entire globe. It is the
voice of our gracious King, God bless
him, calling the nation to prayer.
Whatever unbelief may say or think
the King has sent this message to all
the churches of his Empire, insisting
upon the principle that not by might
nor by power but by the spirit of God
shall the victory so longed for be at-
tained. For this he has required the
nation to pray to God. Surely this is
right for as has been said "A spirit
who could give essence to such a
prayer—could not do it without an all-
comprehending purpose." The order
unity, and uniformity of method that
pervade the existing universe attest
the presence of such purpose. There
certainly must be "one far off divine
event in which the whole creation
is consummated," and the outcome
of the universal existence, for the sake
of which all was brought into being,
in such a purpose must be in-
cluded innumerable subordinate and
contributing purposes, which, one after
another, serve their term and develop
into purposes that follow, all minister-
ing to the final end.

The greatest forces by far that the
world knows are those forces which
for the most part work in silence, and
among these latter we seem to find
that force which throughout the ages
has been attested unto by innumera-
ble examples, the power of prayer, a
force that lays hold upon the very
foundation and end of all things, the
greatest power in the universe, the
power that men have called God.
And the King of England believes
that this God hears prayer and an-
swers it.

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A BIT OF FUN

EXPECTED A HOT TIME.

She—Did he really make provision
for special burial robes?
He—Yes, for asbestos ones.—Burr.

HOW MARK TWAIN SAVED.

Mark Twain said that in his earlier
days he did not enjoy the exceptional
property which came later in his
career. It is commonly the lot of
genius to suffer neglect at first and
the experience did not affect his abid-
ing good nature, says Boys' Life. In a
conversation with William Dean How-
ells on one occasion the subject of
literary vicissitudes was broached by
the humorist.

"My difficulties taught me some
thrift," he observed. "But I never
knew whether it was wiser to spend
my last nickel for a cigar to smoke or
for an apple to devour."

"I am astounded," observed Mr.
Howells, "that a person of so little de-
cision should meet with so much
worldly success."

Mark Twain nodded very gravely.
"Indecision about spending money,"
he said, "is worthy of cultivation.
When I couldn't decide what to buy
with my last nickel, I kept it, and so
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