

must go hand in hand with investment. This is true of this region as a whole and of undeveloped prospects.

"Who Pays The Piper."

"Who, but men engaged in sundry other industries and in housekeeping. Has it ever occurred to those that boost the price of the necessities of life that eventually those who are now buying them will be driven out of the country?

We have gone far afield; but it was to show, if possible, that the Russians thought they could do several things that cannot be done. In proving their contention they ruined their country and beggared its people. Since the war began producers in this country have got it into their heads that the consumer has money to throw away.

Is it not time that we asked ourselves, where it will all end? Just as sure as the war will end, just as sure will Great Britain, Canada, the United States France, and Italy have the hardest time people now living ever knew. Are we preparing for it when we are holding one another up in every part of the game?

IF EVER AGAIN.

An American correspondent of The British Weekly says: The point I want to make is this, that if ever again there should be a misunderstanding between these two mighty nations it will be, not because of the Irish question, but because of the drink question. There is now in this country a deep and settled conviction that the drink evil is wholly evil and ought to be abolished. It will soon be abolished here. And it causes us sincere grief to see how you are handicapped both in your efforts to gain your full efficiency in the prosecution of the war and in your plans for the coming social reconstruction by reason of the constant interference of the liquor element. Liberty has no other enemy so dangerous as drink. Canada has banned the traffic; the United States is rapidly doing the same; within two years there will in all probability be a drinkless America from the Arctic Ocean to the Gulf of Mexico. What a force this solid community of kindred will become in solving the problems of democracy! No longer will we be trammelled by the sinister influence of alcohol. Surely Great Britain also will be found in the front rank of this new battle for liberty.

EDUCATION IN BRITAIN.

In the House there was a very wholesome fear that the new-born enthusiasm of employers for education is due to the belief that the State intends to make young carpenters, young chemists, young smiths, young engineers, young linguists and so forth for the business world instead of young citizens. Perhaps some employers do think that, but there is no fear that the schools will develop as a whole into

vocational institutions. They will still be places for training the mind, which is their function, rather than places for training the fingers, which is rather the function of the workshop. The general prevalence of this fear in the House is of great value for the future of the country. Germany is the home of vocational education; England must still be the home for the cultivation of character. We have had a lesson as to the real product of the two systems, and we have no reason to be ashamed that we have steadily resisted the imposition of the German methods of education.

SIR GEORGE ADAM SMITH IN AMERICA.

We continue to receive most encouraging accounts of the great work Sir George Adam Smith is doing in America. He addressed the leading ministers and laymen of Kansas City, and spoke very frankly on the war. He said that there were no pacifists in Scotland. The great Labor leaders have concluded that if Germany dominates the world Labor is done for. He warned against the false pacifists, who were confusing mere political peace with the peace of Christ's promise to His disciples. Our Lord never pledged us political peace, nor is the prevalence of war during these nineteen centuries any proof that His promises have been broken or that His Gospel has failed. He looked forward to the coming League of Nations, and saw a fair beginning in the present alliance of the United States with France and Great Britain. Of course there could be no League of Nations until Germany was conquered.

We have to face the fact that Germany is today preparing for the next war, he said. That is why she wants Belgium, and the objective of that war will be two Americas, North and South. Unless we make up our minds that this thing will be done over again, we not only have to vanquish Germany now but to build up such a strong alliance for international protection that another slaughter of the world will be averted.

HE DOUSED THE GERMAN.

Young Scotland has an admirably written article on Dr. R. J. Drummond, the Moderator of the United Free Church. Dr. Drummond studied at Erlangen, where he was very intimate with a prominent student. "He recognized in him a man of great ability, but was often a little irritated by his somewhat patronising and aggressive manner. One day the two friends were bathing together in the River Regnitz when a dispute arose between them. Drummond seized hold of the German and held his head under the water until he fairly spluttered for mercy. That German student was Friedrich Naumann, now a distinguished member of the Reichstag, and author of the famous book on Central Europe which has been so influential in the Fatherland in recent months. The tradition is that, after the incident just described, Naumann was always exceedingly civil to Drummond."