

Where ever there is any civilization at all, there must be more reasons given for going to War, than the sea pirate or highway robber gives for making the seaman walk the plank and leave his ship to the stronger power. What defence can the German military party, with the Kaiser at their head, make at the European Council of Nations, which will certainly meet to discuss these affairs after this war is over? If there were the least doubt among civilized nations about the necessity of crushing German militarism before the war started, there is is no doubt at all about it now. Germany has left a black trail behind her, that will put a black mark against the Germans where ever they go for ages to come. The German Universities that had been getting large revenues from Foreign students, will be boycotted for a generation, at least. The German materialistic and socialistic conception of history and economics will be scattered to the winds, and British, French and Russian philosophy will get an enormous start again. With the World nothing succeeds like success. Many foolishly looking at the mushroom growth of German power and industrialism thought it was permanent, while, in reality it was only a bubble—it was not based on the foundation of justice and righteousness, which is the only solid foundation for anything great to be built upon. The German Empire will go down like a house of cards before the storm of contempt of the whole World. After this war is over, Germans will be found in various other parts of the world after changing their names, being justly ashamed of the country of their birth.

Now that the war is on in earnest and raging for two months before these comments are printed, comparisons may easily be made and conclusions safely drawn. The population of Germany is sixty-five millions, Austria-Hungary fifty millions, making a total of one hundred and fifteen millions between the two nations, who are at war with the half of the population of the Globe—amounting to nearly eight hundred millions of people. The population of the British Isles is forty five millions, France forty millions, Russia one hundred and sixtyfive millions, Servia three millions, Canada eight millions, making a total of over three hundred and twentyfive millions against one hundred and fifteen millions—without counting the more distant populations of Australia, New Zealand, South