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BY SYDNEY T. CHECKLAND. FEW men are more fiercely dis-cussed by Britishers in khaki than C cussed by Britishers in khaki than Horatio Bottomley, the editor of that widely circulated English journal, John Bull. He is a stock joke with the con-cert parties who entertain the troops, and his many falsified prophecies, par-ticularly in regard to the war, are often recalled. "Hot-air-i-o" Bottomley he is frequently dubbed. On the other hand there are those who variously re-gard him from "unofficial prime min-ister" downwards. That the editor of John Bull takes himself very seriously



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John Bull takes himself very seriously is not questioned. In a recent article he did not hesitate to liken himseif "to the elder Pitt." The huge advertising posters of his weekly magazine are seen everywhere in London. A recent one I saw there announced in six feet letters on a 50-foot poster: "How I Stopped a Mutiny, by Horatio Bottom-ley, M.P."

At a Canadian citizenship meeting in the Lyceum Theatre, London, one Sun-day afternoon, I had opportunity to see and hear the man who thru various means has forced the attention of the British public. There was a large at-tendance, mostly of men in khaki, and Mr. Bottomley was accorded a rousing reception. I was rather taken aback at h s physical proportions. His features scarcely need description, so often are they portrayed in the press, the large head, broad, expansive coun-tenance, pursed lips, high forehead and somewhat combative or rather sullen expression. But he is short in stature, and his less seem altogether too small reception. I was rather taken aback at and his legs seem altogether too small for the rest of his heavy frame. He is

distinctly corpulent. a fact to which he himself made witty reference when he commented on the fact that his form of war service had necessarily to be different from ours

Subject of Criticism. The chairman of the meeting, the as-sistant deputy minister O.M.F.C., in introducing the speaker, remarked on his manifold activities, and claimed that his whole life had been devoted to the uplifting of the under dog and preaching good citizenship. He claimed Mr. Bottomley as a friend of the sol-dier and all food citizenship. This dier and all good citizenship. This gave Mr. Bottomley his starting point, for he remarked in reply that he was

the subject of much criticism, a fact wh ch seemed to have a soothing and subtle reference to President Wilson gratifying effect rather than otherwise, when he cried: "Our peace terms will for he added that criticism to him is be determ ned on allied soil with no inliking "pouring oil (not water) on a duck's back." In true Mark Anthony style he confessed himself a "pla.n blunt man." who says what he thinks

ought to be said. In characteristic fashion he an-government round to my point of view." nounced himself-as in war days- an "If the government want to give me nounced himself—as in war days— an "If the government want to give me unofficial recruiting agent, and claimed a job," he cricd, "let them send me that in such capacity he was the means of sending more boys to the col-million pounds we should demand. I or's than any other recruiting agency. will pay my own expenses he added. He affirmed that not more than three civilians knew the "real part" of the war, and added facetiously: "I can the people who say Germany cannot

never quite remember the name of the first, but I am the other two." Deesn't Lack Confidence. 'One passage of his speech was amusingly rem'niscent of the nine tail-

ors of Tooley street, who sent out their historic proclamation, beginning, "We, the people of England." Mr. Bottomley referred to "the great British public for which I sometimes claim the right

He confessed that in the past he had said some harsh and unkind things. about Canada, her emigration policy and her taking of so many nice girls from over the water, but he claimed that Canada's training, equipping and sending overseas of its first contingent of 33,000 men in about six weeks was one of the greatest achievements in all the war.

ly that more than once the Canadian army had saved the situation. He admitted he could have been minister for demobilization, and one wondered what justification he could offer for not tackling this tangled problem, see-ing that he has been so severe in his criticisms and so blatantly announced

himself as the man who "stopped a mutiny," and on this very issue. His views on the peace terms should form she?" interesting reading, for he made a She-"Yes, but even an old barn looks characteristically pugnacious the good with paint on it."



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