

Belgian women and children whose husbands and fathers have fallen in defence of their country. Besides the troops already sent to the front, the government promised to send a force equal to 20 per cent. of the expeditionary corps six weeks later, and to follow every month with an envoy of 5 per cent. In Australia, as in the other dominions, all the divergencies between political parties have ceased, and there, again, the Kaiser has accomplished a miracle.

There is not a colony that does not participate with extreme generosity in this enthusiastic movement. It is Jamaica which votes as first contribution to the expense of the war \$243,000 deposited for the colonies, in the form of sugar for the troops. It is the Leeward Islands which send arrow-root valued at \$12,000, destined for the British troops. It is the planters of Saint Vincent who, for their share, send 250 casks of wine. The ties which unite the various parts of the Empire were strained, Germany tightened them as they have never been tightened before. The Kaiser has brought about British imperial unity.

In South Africa there doubtlessly existed Germany sympathy, especially among the Hertzog party. On the outbreak of war the British government was notified by the Governor of the Union that English troops might be withdrawn, and that the territories of the Union would be protected by colonial forces. This offer was accepted with gratitude. Meanwhile, the government of the colony of the German protectorate, "Deutsch Süd West Afrika," had effectively made incursions upon the frontiers of the Union. The government of General Botha prepared a plan of campaign, in which General Beyers co-operated, general commandant of the forces of the Union. Suddenly hostilities were commenced, the latter handed in his resignation, justifying and accompanying it by a letter addressed to General Smuts, minister of finance and of war, in which he violently attacked Great Britain, saying, among other things: You say that this war is undertaken against the barbarity of Germany. I have pardoned, but I have not forgotten the cruelties committed in the country which was ours during the South African war. The partisans of General Hertzog took advantage of this correspondence in making certain manifestations. Nevertheless, a meeting held on Sept. 20th at Bethleem, one of the citadels of the Hertzogians, upheld the government, by a great majority, in her operations against Germany. The request of