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THE WAR.

The war took on a decidedly better complexion last night and this morning. It is not alone that the Germans have encountered a considerable naval reverse in the Riga Gulf, but that from other quarters news of importance as indicating future developments has been received.

With Italy committed to participation on a large scale in the campaign of the Dardanelles, the prospect of early success for the Allies in that enterprise becomes very marked. In addition to that, events in the Balkans, now clearly foreshadowed, justify the belief that within a very short time the principal Balkan nations will throw their weight into the Allied scale.

These things, if they come, will give the war an entirely new aspect. It must be obvious that the conflict would be immensely shortened if the Dardanelles were forced, or if the Balkan nations drew the sword for the Allies, for either of these events, not to say both, would break the back of Turkey in short order, and soon after it the short of Austria as well.

Further, it is commonly understood now that the autumn offensive of the Allies in France and Belgium is about to begin. When it does begin the Germans will probably get a new idea as to what war is.

"ONE AND INDIVISIBLE" April Sydenham, who is one of the foremost military critics of our day, writing to the London Times and reviewing the events of the first year of war, repeats Mr. Balfour's recent words, that "we are not a military nation, but thank God, we are a nation that can fight." To which Lord Sydenham adds: "And our long annals contain no more brilliant feats of arms, no nobler proofs of endurance, than will be found in the pages, written in letters of fire, since last August."

The following is from Life, New York: "If we (Americans) are to think as neutrals, mindful only of our own immediate interests (which is not at all the way most of us are thinking), we will do well to think a little of the British sea power which Germany's submarine activities are directed to destroy. But do we want it destroyed? Theoretically it is no more right that Britannia should rule the waves than that Germania should be the world bully ashore, but practically Britannia and her blessed navy are at this moment the mainstay of the freedom of the nations, and but for them Germany would not be at these pains to write notes to us, but would do as she liked with no more concern for our views than she had for Belgium's. For a generation Britannia has been the great marine policeman. As trading neutrals we don't want her efficiency in that employment to be too much impeded until there is in sight a competent substitute to do for us and others what she has been doing."

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WOMAN DOCTOR FROM CANADA TO SERBIA. London, Aug. 23.—Dr. Ella Scarlett-Synges, of Vancouver, organizer of the Women's Volunteer Reserve, has arrived in London on en route to Serbia, where she will carry out sanitary reforms in military camps under the auspices of the Red Cross Society. During the Boer War she was so engaged in the concentration camps at Bloemfontein. To The Mail and Empire she expressed a great desire for the spread of the Women's Volunteer Reserve movement throughout Canada. Dr. Synges sails via Marseilles in Monday for Nish, taking with her \$800 contributed in Canada and a ship.

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