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OUR POINT OF VIEW

The Casualties of the War

THE British forces in France serving at the front numbered 300,000 at the close of last year. The British casualties for five months amounted to 100,000 men, including 50,000 officers, of whom 1,200 were killed. The number of killed amongst the British numbered 30,000. The British forces at the front will number 750,000 by the spring.

The French had 2,000,000 soldiers at the front at the close of last year, according to statement issued by M. Troussaint, director of the Health Service Commission of France. 489,000 French soldiers were admitted to the hospitals from September 15th to the end of November. Of these 250,000 were discharged cured and rejoined the ranks. The death rate amongst the wounded only amounted to 2.48 per cent, which is the lowest death rate ever recorded.

For the five months of the war over 1,000,000 French soldiers were admitted to French hospitals. The total French casualties up to December 30th amounted to 1,250,000, of these 250,000 were killed or died from wounds received in battle. These figures are appalling.

According to the best information given out by German authorities, the Prussian losses alone up to December 20th amounted to 250,000 dead, 450,000 missing, and 850,000 wounded—a total of 1,550,000.

When to these figures are added the losses of the armies of Saxony, Wurttemberg, and Bavaria, the total German losses exceed 2,000,000 men; 600,000 of the wounded will not be fit to return to the fighting line. Thus 1,400,000 Germans have been put out of action never to return.

The Austrians have lost in killed, wounded and missing 1,500,000, of these 1,000,000 will never return to the fighting line. The enemy has therefore a total of 3,500,000 casualties, out of a possible total of 8,500,000 men, consequently the Allies have some 5,000,000 of the enemy still confronting them.

The Russian casualties number 1,500,000 in killed, wounded and missing. As for numbers they can afford to lose two men to one of the enemy and still be stronger numerically than the German-Austria forces.

The Allied Armies have therefore suffered casualties amounting to 2,850,000 men. The enemy's casualties for the same period amounted to 3,500,000 men—a grand total of 6,350,000 soldiers put of action during the first five months of Armageddon—the result of one mad man's work.

Schr. Mabel D. Hines is loading fish at Mussel Hr. by G. Witeley for Hall's.

The Price of Fish Advances

THE price of fish in Spain, Italy and Brazil has advanced very considerably during the last three weeks. The highest price paid for 25 years is now offered for Brazilian fish. Firms in town recently refused 50 shillings per drum, which is a record price, but in view of the great shortage of stocks it is possible for prices to advance to 60 shillings before next July.

The price of Soft Labrador in Greece has advanced by leaps and bounds and the cargoes in bulk shipped from the Labrador are now fetching handsome prices in Greece and Italy.

The shipper can well afford to pay the fishermen \$4.50 instead of the miserable price of \$3.50, which they are offering for fish shipped on the coast. Any shipper who refuses to pay the \$4.00 figure, which the fishermen claim is the current price for fish shipped on the Labrador Coast, is not giving his dealers a square deal and is keeping back 40 cents per quintal that rightly belong to the fishermen.

When Mr. Morine returns to town next week, the cases against Munn and Hiscock, which are intended to test once and for all time what is meant by the current price, will be pushed.

This matter cannot be allowed to drift any longer, for the prices paid this season on the coast, range from \$3.50 to \$4.30. Every fisherman shipped for the highest price—or what is known as the current price—yet some have been paid \$4.00, others \$4.30 and others \$3.50.

The Convention of Unionists in Conception Bay, which will be convened at Coley's Point on the 13th instant will devote considerable attention to this current price issue, and steps will probably be taken to ask for legislation the coming winter to straighten out some of the kinks in connection with fixing prices for Labrador fish shipped on the coast.

WORLD'S PRESS ON THE BIG WAR

BRITAIN'S INFORMATION BUREAU

London News and Leader:—The Admiralty is in the hands of Lord Fisher, whose mastery is unrivalled and unquestioned. But the fleet cannot stride in time, unless it is promptly informed of the enemy's movements and the one strategic question which Wednesday's raid raises is whether our service of information worked satisfactorily.

ONE ITEM IN THE BILL

Springfield Republican:—In \$71 Germany exacted from France a war indemnity of \$1,000,000,000. Already the damage done to Belgium by the war, by the estimate of a prominent lawyer of Brussels, Henri Masson, comes to \$1,059,836,000. And that is but one item in the bill which the Allies, if they should win, will expect Germany to pay.

GERMANY'S REVOLTING DISPLAY

London Telegraph:—Precisely in this matter of "Kultur" has Germany made before the world a display that has stupefied and revolted every mind which has learned the essential lessons of civilization—self-restraint, self-criticism, the escape from egotism, regard for the rights and respect for the qualities of others, discipline of thought and feeling, the sense of fraternity in mankind.

UNPARALLELED CONFIDENCE

London Mail:—France and Great Britain to-day are fighting side by side with a harmony and confidence and mutual admiration unparalleled in history. The hearts of the two nations beat as one, and though nothing changes so quickly as the face of international politics, we are confident that neither we nor our children will permit even a shadow of mistrust to come between them again.

THE U. S. PROTEST

New York Evening Post:—Our ships are entitled to know under precisely what risks of detention or seizure they may send forward goods. Here is no question of ruffling up to England, or putting this country in a hectoring position; it is simply a question of vigilant safeguarding of our neutral rights. We make no doubt that our attitude will be judged wholly reasonable and friendly by the British Government.

U. S. NOT SECURE

Philadelphia Public Ledger:—There is no reason why the United States should be any more secure than the rest of the world from German attack. On the contrary, a Germany dominating Europe must inevitably seek expansion in the new world. Only by

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opposing sea power to sea power could the United States hope to maintain the Monroe Doctrine and keep the German flag from being in some of the countries south of us.

LAWYERS IN FIGHTING LINE

London Times:—There is thus ample historical glory to inspire lawyers while they take their share in the great conflict into which their country has been drawn. It will be remembered long to their credit that both branches of the legal profession have made so impressive an answer to the demands of patriotism. This voluntary action of nearly 2,000 men who have declared their readiness to make personal and professional sacrifices for King and country will afford, more over, an irrefutable reply to our enemy's charges that mercenary motives animate our troops.

THE WAR'S SURPRISES

New York Herald:—At the beginning of the war it was said that every one of the nations had surprises in store for their enemies and the world. There were wonderful military and naval inventions that had been kept inviolably secret and that were to be sprung on the foe which least expected. Five months of war have now passed and the one supreme surprise for the world is that highly civilized nations do not seem to have realized the awful loss of men that would be involved. The 42-centimeter gun that reduces forts thought almost impregnable in a few days is as nothing compared to the loss of more than 3,000,000 of men in killed, wounded and missing, which, according to apparently conservative estimates, the Germans and Austrians have suffered up to this time.

GERMANY'S GREAT FEAT

Westminster Gazette:—The German decoration for valor can scarcely be awarded for the heroism which finds scope in a duel between a Dreadnought and a water-tight place. It is awarded for the great feat of crossing the North Sea and escaping in fog or darkness from the pursuit of the British Navy. We may remember this when foolish people ask what use is the British Navy when a German squadron can cross the North Sea with impunity. The feat of crossing the North Sea ranks so high in our enemy's mind that it is thought worthy of the most distinguished acknowledgment.

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TOD AND THE KAISER

[With apologies to the shade of A. McGregor Rose, author of "God and the Kaiser."]
*Tod (Ger.)—Death.

We've worked in company for years—
I and God;
But now one partner disappears
From "Bill and God."
We've split on matters of detail:
Murder, arson, mild blackmail.
Mine-laying under neutral sail.
Please not God.

A partner ready to my hand—
Name of Tod;
The firm—unlimited—will stand.
"Bill and Tod."
My policy is room, more room;
Our colonies I mean to boom.
Grab lands owned by—no matter whom—
I and Tod.

Alternatives we have in view,
I and Tod;
To grab—we've mentioned that above,
I and Tod;
And failing that, we rush our men
In close-set ranks—whiz, bang! and then
They're down and done for ere we ken,
I and Tod.

The "Deutschland lieber Alles" dream
(Mine, not Tod's)
Is gone: We try the 13000 scheme—
That of Tod.
Full steam ahead, we heap each plain
With pile on pile of German slain;
There's room for all that now remain
To me and Tod.

STEBAURMAN'S OINTMENT

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NOTICE TO F.P.U. COUNCILS

A Meeting of the Officers of the Local Council of the F.P.U., operating in the Districts of Harbor Main, Port de Grave, Harbor Grace and Carbonar, will be held at Coley's Point on the afternoon and evening of Wednesday, the 13th instant, to consider the advisability of combining the Councils embraced in the above Districts into one District Council of the F.P.U., and to consider matters affecting the welfare of the Fishermen of Conception Bay who prosecute the Labrador Shore Fishery.

By order,

W. F. COAKER,

President F.P.U.

St. John's, Jan. 6th, 1915.

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During the advance of the Germans on several small Russian patrols were detached from their main body and completely encircled by the troops of the enemy. These parties gradually united, and formed a body of 200 men. During the day they hid in the woods, and at night harassed the German patrols, killing a number of them. This continued for a week, at the end of which both horses and men were worn out through lack of proper food and sleep.

It was accordingly decided to muster their last energies in an attempt to break through the enemy's lines, and they divided into small parties to facilitate this manoeuvre. While trying to slip through the chain which

surrounded them a party of twenty-six Cossacks encountered a whole German cavalry regiment. Though so seriously outnumbered, the Cossacks defended themselves till they had spent every cartridge, and nearly all their horses had been killed. The survivors were taken prisoners, with the exception of Savellief, who managed to hide in a patch of scrub and was the witness of brutalities practised on his comrades.

The German compelled their captives, with levelled arms, to dig a large hole. They then stripped the Cossacks, lined them up in a row, and ordered them to go down and raise their hands. In this posture, and with a section of rifles aimed at them, till their position became so intolerable that they beseeched their tormentors to put an end to their sufferings at once.

At last, having sated their lust of cruelty, the Germans gave the order to fire. Several of the Russians, who were not killed outright by the discharge, but lay groaning on the ground, received the coup de grace from revolver bullets. The bodies of the prisoners were flung into the hole which they themselves had dug. Savellief was befriended by the Poles, and wandered in the woods for a month, during which he gathered round him a number of other Cossack stragglers.

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NOTICE.—Trinity Bay Councils of the F.P.U. will please notice that January 16th will be observed as Union Day in Trinity District, when every Council is expected according to the Constitution to parade. By order, J. G. STONE.—dec3

NOTICE.—Owing to the Conception Bay Convention to be held at Coley's Point the second week in January, there will be no meeting of Port de Grave District Council until that Convention is closed, when due notice will be given of the time and place of meeting. GEO. F. GRIMES, Chairman, Port de Grave District Council.