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reason of that treaty the British Em-pire should become involved in war, it would be the duty of every citizen of the Empire, capable of bearing arms, to go to its defence, if his ser-vices were needed, and this quite apart from whatever his views might be as to the expediency of that treaty. Pending the existence of that treaty,

a right to charge them with being disloyal to Imperial interests, or to go further and lay at their doors a general charge of disloyalty. We think we have made this abundantly clear.

There is another aspect of the case, and to make it plain we shall attempt and to make it plain we shalt attempt to define of what in our opinion loyalty consists. It consists in a personal devotion to the land in which we live, whether that land is considered only as a province, a Dominion or as a world-encircling Empire; in a personal determination to maintain unimpaired the institutions of the country and the land of the land invade

This Holy Land of the last Crusade

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Till the uttermost debt of blood be paid

And the strongest race has won."

He adds:

"True to our fathers' high behest,

we guard the fromthers of the West

leges, prospects and advantages which

he himself enjoys, and in fidelity to his

sovereign as the representative of the

government and as the personal ex
pression thereof, as far as this fidelity

does not involve a departure from the
other principles above set out. Avow
ing such principles as these, the Col
Come death, or victory." ing such principles as these, the Colonist believes it to be the duty of every British subject to investigate as best he can the questions involved in oriental immigration, and to act upon his matured judgment arrived at after such investigation. We are confident that such an investigation will show that no man can consistently with

at the rate of nearly, if not quite, a million a year. There is no place to which this great annual surplus would which this great annual surplus would like to go more than to Canada, and if they once had free entry into the Dominion, they would speedly occupy the land. This great dountry, which commands the North Pacific ocean would, under a policy of unrestricted immigration, speedly become overrun with Japanese, and it would only be a very short time before there would be a conflict of races, which might imperil the very existence of the British Empire. In such a conflict the Japanese would be on the ground here.

mere imaginings. We are speaking of what every one knows would be the case, who has given the matter serious consideration. British Columbia is in-

the Empire, he says:

"But flercer we'll fight in our country's war, when we fight for our homes our land, our God." Or what W.L.D. is thinking of when

-Now the women have said 'Good-bye.'" Later the anonymous author speaks of "The Great White Star of a tear-

Come death, or victory." J. Alex. Allan writes "A Battle Hymn,"

wife's lip.

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watch, eyes, where your lazy vinyards shine,

Oriental people into Canada. There
are some Aslatic races, whose influx
into the country would be less to be
dreaded than that of others; but the
Japanese are to be feared most of all.

The population of Japan is increasing
at the rate of nearly if not cutter.

Explanation of what these people
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Explanation of what these people have in mind would be superfluous. There is no use in shutting our eyes to the attitude of Australia as to the

imperil the very existence of the British Empire. In such a conflict the Japanese would be on the ground here, and be numerically superior to the white population, for a white population will not go into a country into which the yellow races are freely flowing. Nor would this effect be confined to British Columbia alone, for the Japanese tide would soon find its way to the prairies, and the great interior provinces, which we are told will become the seat of a Greater Britain, would soon become a Greater Japan. We are not indulging in any

DIVORCES.

CONDITIONS IN INDIA

Alarmist despatches, purporting to come from India, are being published in the press. We say purporting to come from India, because on the face of them are many indications that they are manufactured somewhere on the from whatever his views might be as to the expediency of that treaty. Pending the existence of that treaty, there is no existing obligation on the part of any Cahadian or any other citizen of the Empire to remain content with the treaty and not to agitate for its abrogation, its alteration or its interpretation in such a way as he may think the most favorable to his own part of the Empire, or to the Empire, as a whole.

Hence, as under that treaty the Japanese have the right of free entry into Canada, every Canadian has the privilege to use every means in his power to have that right annulled, restricted or altered in any way that he thinks would be best for the country, and no question of loyalty arises in connection therewith.

Hence also, two pans of action having been open to the Dominion government at the time the Japanese treaty was presented, namely to ratify the treaty as it stood or to ask for the fulcation of a provision similar to the Gueensland protocol, and the government at the time the Japanese treaty was presented in the first opportunity that presented itself, to express their opinion as to the wisdom of that course, without any question of their loyalty being raised, and the electors of the city of Victoria having chosen to express their disapproval of that course, no one has a right to charge them with heing disloyal to Imperial interests, or to content which is a subject of the part of the minutes spirit has a vight to charge them with heing disloyal to Imperial interests, or to content they are adverted to the women have said "Good" the said that they are any other that treaty the Japanese have the right of free entry into Canada, every Canadian has the privilege to use every mean he ready—let a thinks would be best for the course, without any they done and the course of the course, without any content to the course of the course, without any content to the course of miles and a population of more than 300,000,000. Of these millions about 75,000,000 live in Bengal, which has an area of 151,185 square miles. The people of India represent many races and a great diversity of religions, so that it is impossible in any words of general description to characterize them, or to pretend to express the sentiment of the people, because there is no such thing as Indian public opinion as there is British, German of Canadian public opinion. No man, who knows India would talk for a moment of the inative population demanding anything. He might say that a certain class in a certain part of the country demand something, but that is as far as he could possibly go. We are not seeking to minimize the difficulties presented by the unrest prevalent in Bengal among those people who have imbibed European ideas and been able to communicate their dissatisfaction to others. Those difficulties are serious enough no doubt, but they do not permeate the whole great country. If we may judge anything from the past history of India, it seems safe to conclude that much will depend upon the strength of the hand which the Indian government plays. If there is vaccillation, prestige will be lost and British strength in India depends more upon prestige than upon armed force.

WHAT MUST HAPPEN.

Mr. J. J. Hill's remarks about the removal of the customs barriers between the United States and Canada have aroused considerable attention, and the comments upon them, especially in the Dominion and the United Kingdom, have been varied and in some cases very serious indeed. Our British contemporaries are notably exercised over what the Great Northern Railway magnate has said and ern Railway magnate has said, and some of them seem to take it for granted that he speaks with authority, and that what he prognosticates is as

good as settled. In Canada the tendency has been to treat his remarks rather lightly. Mr. Hill has in some respects the pardonable weakness of a man, who has lived long enough to (see that some one else should assume feel that some one else should assume the burder of the work, which he car-ried on with an energy and success, that easily marks him out as one of the greatest financial and constructive geniuses, that ever engaged in rail-way building in North America. These days he is doing less and talking mere than he used to. His energetic soul will not rest. If he cannot build up ing succeeded in everything he has undertaken, he doubtless imagines that what he wishes is nearly as good as done. But there are some obstacles in the way, and the Montreal Star thus summarizes some of them; (1) The unwillingness of American

farmers to compete with the output of the Canadian farm.
(2) The unwillingness of the Canadian farmers, fruit growers, market gardeners, etc., to compete with the earlier output of American producers. (3) The unwillingness of the Am-

erican manufacturers to permit the Canadian parliament to fix the height of their protection on the north against British and European goods;

(4) The unwillingness of the Canadian consumers to be taxed American tariff rates on the goods they import from Britain and the continent. (5) The unwillingness of the Canadian manufacturers to compete on even terms with gigantic American

combinations.

(6) The unwillingness of certain American industries, such as paper makers, to compete with their better placed Canadian rivals.

(7) The unwillingness of the American people to give the Canadians what they regard as the benefits of belonging to the union without as-

belonging to the union without assuming a share of its burdens.

(8) The unwillingness of the Cana-

dian people to discriminate in favor of the foreigner against the Mother Country:

(9) The unwillingness of Canadians to imperial British connection by giving their commercial life as a hostore into American hands hostage into American hands.

(10) The unwillingness of Canadians to forego the bright possibilities that they may soon get a preference in the British market British market.

(11) The unwillingness of Canadians to abandon the policy of developing this country along east-and-west lines, as evidenced by the money they have put in transcontinental railways and other conditions of the co

and a big canal system.

(12) The unwillingness, in short, of the Canadian and American people to abandon practically every principle, fiscal or national, which has guide their development thus far.

There is one factor in the case, which Mr. Hill has apparently not

which Mr. Hill has apparently not considered, and to which the Star does not allude. It is the requirements of the United States market. These will operate to bring about a reduction of duties and while these requirements are making themselves felt, it seems to be the policy of Canada to go along in her own way, developing inter-imperial and other overseas trade in every direction. We are becoming more independent of our neighbors every year, and they are becoming more in need of what we can supply them better than any other country.

Montreal has just had a snow storm of over thirty hours' duration. Our friends in the metropolis are apparent-

Mr. Charles M. Schwab combats Mr. Carnegie's steel duty arguments— which may be taken as implying that while the latter has got all the money he wants there are other manufacturers who haven't.

Longboat has proved himself ,"the noblest Roman of them all" in present-day Marathon contests. Canada will get a great advertisement out of the Indian runner's remarkable victory over Dorando. The House of Lords has given a slight setback to the movement of women to gain the suffrage, by deciding that women graduates of the Scottish universities are not entitled to vote

for the university member of parlia It is said that very shortly airships will be running on regular schedules conveying passengers from point to point in competition with the railways Well, this will afford at least one method of getting out of the way of the scorching automobilist.

A large party of farm laborers and domestic servants have just left Scotland for Canada. They will be warmly welcomed and will, we are sure, get on well in the Dominion. We have room for thousands more of them and we trust that British Columbia will get its share of this class of immigrants.

migrants. That between 20,000 and 35,000 people should have been killed and more than 2,000,000 people should have been injured in the United States among workmen while in the discharge of their duties during a single year seems incredible; but such is the report of the investigations by the Bureau of Labor. Under these circumstances it is safer to go to war than to remain at home in time of peace.

The announcement that the Admir-The announcement that the Admiralty has ordered the cruisers Cambrian and Flora, detached from the Australian and China squadrons, respectively, for a visit to the southern ports on the Pacific coast of South America, possesses, a special local interest, inasmuch as it raises the hope that we may shortly see these vessels in these waters. It is only a comparatively short run from South America to Esquimalt.

SENSIBLE GIFT SUGGESTIONS.

FOR A MAN MANICURE SETS, \$2.50 to ...
EBONY MIRRORS, \$2.25 to ...
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And now we are on the last week-six more shopping days. Just six short days, and think of the host of things we must attend to in that time. Why not "get busy" this morning?

Shop Early and Shop Here, and, of course, Come Often"-and that is the best

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"Shop Early," because you are insured better attention then, than later when the rush is on. You have a better opportunity to "look around." Less chance for later regrets over hasty purchases. "Shop Here" because this is the home of sensible and practical Xmas gifts-

the only sort to send. No other shop offers such a wealth of such gifts. "Come Often" because-well, you are WELCOME.

Decorations for Your Christmas Table—Pretty Shades



Perhaps you are planning something unusual in the way of table decoration for your Christmas Table this Xmas. Then you'll surely need something in the candle or electric shade line.

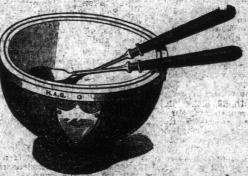
And here is just where you need us— our shades. We have a great line of Paper and Silk Shades for this holiday time, and with shades priced so low you'll find it an easy matter to have your "unusual" table—easy on your purse especially.

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Don't Miss Seeing Our Novelty Furniture Exhibition

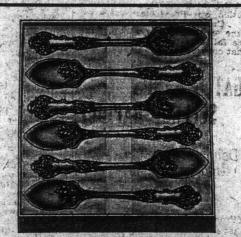
Don't fail to see our showing of Novelty Furniture, especially desirable for gift giving. We are strong on these lines this season, and in Mission Designed Furniture we offer some splendid suggestions. Just take the elevator to third and fourth floors, and investigate the



We have some excellent gift pieces in Silver Mounted Oak, such as Salad Bowls, Biscuit Jars, Butter Dishes, Tea Trays, Liquor Frames, etc.

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