

"Military tribunals are to be set up by the Allies to try persons accused of acts of violation of the laws and customs of war, and the German Government is to hand over all persons so accused.

"Similar tribunals are to be set up by any particular Allied Power against whose nationals criminal acts have been committed.

"The accused are to be entitled to name their own counsel, and the German Government is to undertake to furnish all documents and information the production of which may be necessary."

We trust that in the many changes that have since been made nothing has been arranged to lessen the force of these conditions. Brutal murder should not go unpunished whether committed in war time or when peace reigns. We may here quote from *Law Notes* (U. S.) some satirical observations which are appropriate in this connection:—

"Prisoner at the bar," said the judge, "you are by your own admission guilty of unnumbered crimes. You have murdered, ravished and burned. You have spared neither age nor childhood. Before this court women have sobbed out the tale of the dishonour they have endured at your hands; little children have exhibited the mutilations you have inflicted on them. This once fair countryside has been made desolate by you. But I understand you are now going to lead a better life." The prisoner looked down at his manacled hands and sidewise at the burly guards around him and forced his evil face into the semblance of a smile. "Yes, your honour," he responded. "In that case," said the judge, "you are discharged. We have formed in this country a law and order league, to membership in which you have been admitted, and some of our best citizens will be glad to let you rest in their homes until you recover from the fatigue caused by your resisting arrest."