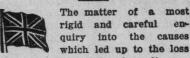
Evening Telegram

W. J. HERDER, - - - Proprietos

WEDNESDAY, March 6, 1918.

Let It be Thorough.



quiry into the causes which led up to the loss of the S.S. Florizel, has been discussed far and wide, has been promulgated from pulpit and press and it may correspondent in your columns that be deemed superfluous to make any sealing steamers should bring back further reference to this subject until from the ice some of the carcases of the Board has finished its work. It is the seals their crews have killed and but, however, our intention to-day, to "sculped," in order that these may be state that we have the most implicit disposed of for food purposes, seems confidence in the gentlemen compris- worthy at least of serious consideraing the Marine Court of Enquiry, tion. In these hard times, when the which sat yesterday afternoon, for price of meat is so high that a great the first hearing of evidence bearing many people cannot afford to buy on the disaster. That their finding much of it, a supply of seal meat will be complete goes without say- would be acceptable to thousands in ing, and without fear of contradiction we think that never before, per- would not only command a ready haps, has a Board in this country market, but would well repay the been constituted, whose members included such men of experience, as In London, horse flesh is already on that of the present. We do not think, the market. In the United States, either, that a more capable Commis- they are proposing the use of whalesion could possibly be found, and we flesh. Seal meat with us is a waste hope that the Government in appointing or instituting an enquiry of lar- available in enormous quantity but ger scope and purpose, will not make any other selection, but if necessary the flesh of the young harp and of the will increase only the representation. The 'News' yesterday morning pointed to the possible loss of another ship, with all hands,-a ship which it is alleged could not be underwritten for insurance, on either hull or cargo,

in any British company. If this is so, then the very nature of the allegation demands investigation. Witnesses should be examined with a view to ascertaining condition of ship at time of sailing: particulars of cargo stowage: coal capacity for steaming and how disposed: reliability of engines and everything which will assist in determining as nearly as possible, the theory if not the actual causes which brought about the loss. Too many of the vessels which have been purchased abroad during the past year. have proven to be not at all that they should be, and the case of this last one is no exception. We are altogether too easy going in our system of inspection. We permit ships to make transatlantic voyages which are unfit to sail across Cabot Strait. We legislate bills of fare for our sealers, but no one seems an incident common to maritime closer delving into certain of our The P. M. G. has instructed the Posthope and trust it will, it may mean a ter measures in the near future for the protection of the lives of our

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Coincident with the arrival of Mr. covered with ice. The newspapers Coaker to town, Ajax makes his re- in the second bag saved the letters appearance in the Advocate. It is in the registered bag from being utsome few days since the public have terly soaked, but there is small exbeen regaled with the literary pabu- pectation of any of the former becomlum served up by this correspondent, ing recognized. and during that period the Hon. W. F. was absent from the city. Does any one perceive the connection?

voters in all sections and districts to chosen by Dr. Campbell is of great in-Robert Bond to lead a new party, and the avidity with which they are being for which the lecture is being given, should ensure a large attendance.

The Canadian soldiers' vote appears from some of the Dominion consti- Pork, try ELLIS'.

vacate them. This change about practically means that all Canada barring Quebec Province, favors Con-

Calchas continues pouring oil the troubled waters of Coakerism

Note From Rev. Dr. G. J. Bond.

Sir,-The suggestion made by this city, and if sold at a cheap rate, trouble of collecting and stowing it. product of a great industry, annually "bedlamer" harp is tender, wholesome and palatable. It seems a pity, to say the least of it, that thousands of tons of it should rot on the ice when thousands of human beings would be glad of it for food. Faithfully yours,

GEO. J. BOND. St. John's, March 6th, 1918.

Mails on the Florizel.

the Florizel was 141, being divided as

Pay & Record Office 2 Montreal 25 Halifax 13 Halifax & Sydney Railway P. O. 10

North Sydney 3

To date but two bags of mail have The senders have been notified. The countries. Many marine disasters other contained some newspapers, reare undeniably brought about by the duced to pulp, a bundle of letters for Act of God, but many others are un- Canada and 49 registered letters, each doubtedly the fault of man's careless- lot being in a separate bag, enclosed ness or remissness to take proper in the large one. The registers are measures to safeguard precious hu- for the Dominion of Canada, excluswork for the present Commission to ney Railway Post Office, and while perform is indubitable, as should greatly damaged, it is thought that their authority be extended beyond most of them will be retrieved. So the loss of the Florizel, which we soon as this mail is sufficiently dry to handle, the senders will be notified. methods with regard to ships and master at Cappahayden to keep a shipping and the development of bet- careful watch for all mail matter that may come ashore. The Wreck Commissioner also has been on the lookout. In reply to a message from Dr. Robinson yesterday, Mr. McCarthy wired that the diver could not get to the mail room, and that the ship was

Lecture.

In the Aula Maxima, St. Bonaven-It is said that politicians in certain ture's College, to-morrow evening, Dr. quarters are scared stiff over the re- Campbell will deliver a Lecture on sponse which is being made by the "Epidemic Diseases." The subject the request contained in the widely terest to us at the present time and circulated petitions, calling upon Sir this, together with the worthy object

When you want Roast Beef, to have upset the original returns Roast Veal, Roast Mutton, Roast

(Under the distinguished patronage of His Excellency

the Governor.)

AN ILLUSTRATED LECTURE ON

"Winter Life on the Labrador."

will be given by

DR. JOHN GRIEVE.

at the

Methodist College Hall, on Friday,

8th March.

The chair will be taken by His Excellency.

of the W. P. A. Red Cross Fund.

A number of very fine Lantern Slides will be shown.

Tickets procurable at Atlantic Bookstore. Re-

served Seats 20c. General admission 10c. Doors

open 7.45. Lecture at 8.15. - Proceeds for the benefit

"Florizel" Enquiry Commences. her course to W. S. W. so as to get around Cape Race about 6 o'clock. About 4.30 a.m. the wind was S. E. and

Captain Martin and Chief Mar-Quartermaster Gover to put the log feated the Felldians in last night's coni Operator Give Evidence.

ing from 3 to 6.30 o'clock.

Captain Martin and officers.

duct the same. hitherto absolutely unutilized. Yet, and after she had been wrecked, and too slow, were immediately condemn-

Enquiry at the Post Office elicited said. The steamship Florizel was re- life belts on board, two being placed I did not know if the aerials were the information that the number of gistered at Liverpool. We have not in every room and one each given each working. I ceased on account of my registered letters in the mails aboard the official document of her register, child on board. The boats are lower- batteries giving out. My main curat Liverpool under No. 127957.

examined by Mr. Dunfield gave evi- two different pumps. dence as follows:-

We are the agents who deal with zel. We load and discharge the ship before the mast in the barque Carpa- During Sunday we smashed the gear ship's manifest and passenger list of next joined Job's vessel, the Fanny, three hours after it began to leak very first being a small one containing Harvey). There were 48 first and 30 return, and their loss is forgotten in parcel post matter of 14 packages. second class passengers on board. I went as bosun on Baird's Galatea after door being carried away and the place cannot at present give an estimate of the value of the cargo.

> Cross-examined by Mr. H. A. Win-Mr. Harvey said the ship was in excellent trim when she left, taking ap-

proixmately 12,000 barrels, we generman life. That there will be much ive of Halifax and Halifax and Sydally reckon that she carries 17,000

by Mr. Dunfield, said: We are agents Lavinia and sailed in her for four tin reported that some of those in the for the owners of the ship. I am famil- years as mate. In 1910 I joined the iar with the passenger accommodation steamer Rosalind as chief mate and

erably built above that standard. Her Florizel. space is much closer than in ordinary AI. ships. The frames of the ship are very close in the bow. Her plating in above the water line. Her bow is ver-

Brian Dunfield. Mr. H. A. Winter and Florizel could pick up Nantucket fog OPERATOR CARTER'S EVIDENCE. Mr. W. R. Warren, K.C., acted for alarm at a distance of 12 miles. When the owners, and Mr. Gibbs, K.C., for leaving New York we would often not the land and about 3 miles off Bay Mr. Dunfield pointed out that the Bulls. I had on board every known

per precautions had been taken in re- never been refused anything for the received relative to the storm after gard to the safety of the Florizel and ship by her owners. All logs showing we left St. John's. We had governto bring about such remedial measures ed. I have all the life saving outfit was in bed when the ship struck. I as might be suggested, and if neces- required by the shipping regulations received a S.O.S. signal from my assary make definite charges against and passed the American and Canadian sistant by special wire from the Marthose responsible. He submitted shipping examiners twice each year, coni cabin which indicated a serious charts of the coast from Cape Race to Those examiners in my opinion are accident. I dressed and went to the Cape Bonavista also one showing the stricter than are the English exam- Marconi Room and sent out signal, route from St. John's to Halifax to- iners. She carries six boats holding S.O.S. Assistant got ship's position; gether with a book of sailing instruc- about 40 people each and are sufficient he said it was near Cape Race. I kept to take the whole crew and the full sending S.O.S. calls. I listened for a

complement of passengers. There few seconds but received no answer.

Capt. Martin's Career.

and sailed in her for one voyage, on my badly. voyages were in the Stella and the saw the Prospero. Capt. Martin left Sunbeam, respectively. I was for 12 the Marconi Room on several occamonths mate on the Lavinia, after that sions but came back again. Captain I again entered Mr. F. J. Doyle's school Martin made preparations with sea-Mr. Eric Bowring, Managing Direct- and was given my master's certificate. man Dooley to take a line ashore, but Capt. Wm. Martin who commanded I was transferred to the Florizel as last to leave the ship. the ill-fated Florizel, was next called chief officer and from her to the to give evidence and on being sworn Stephano also as chief. I was in charge ter said: Capt. Martin apparently was examined by Mr. Dunfield. He of the Stephano on three occasions had the intention of swimming ashore testified as follows: I commanded the during Capt. Clarke's illness. At Hali-Florizel when she was lost. She is 1980 fax I handed the ship over to Captain tons nett. She is strongly built and Smith who was in charge of her when is an ice-breaker. She is an unusually she was torpedoed off Nantucket handy ship and easily steered, and is Point. Following the loss of the classed AI. at Lloyds. She is consid- Stephano I was given command of the

The Fatal Voyage.

the bow is 1% inches and extends the firemen who were Spaniards were of bed I partly dressed which took me afternoon. The mourners included retically down to the water line where men, 2 cooks and Stewardess McCar- the saloon deck known as No. 21. I Society and the Knights of Columbus. her stem cuts off sharply. When in thy remained ashore under quarantine. came around the starboard side of At the Cathedral prayers for the dead dock the bow has to be supported by Their places were, however, filled. the Smoking Room. I could not see were recited by Rev. Dr. Greene. The Commission Agents; leaving a wife planks and is so constructed that on Mr. Tucker's place being taken by what was happening on the promen- body was interred at Belvidere. The daughter, two sons (one on active constructed that on the striking the ice she slides upon it. Chief Officer James. All the ship's ade deck. I was in the Marconi Room funeral of the late John Lambert, who service), mother and one sister. Body When loaded the Florizel is always regular engineer staff were on board, within a minute and a half. After I was also a victim of the Florizel not recovered. trimmed by the stern and more es- The Florizel left the dock (Harvey's received the signal from Murphy. pecially at winter time. This is done premises) about 7.30. (I am not posito keep her propeller in the water tive of the exact time), the weather aerials were broken shortly after she Square, and was largely attended. when in a heay sea. She is driven being fine my glass was then standing struck. I then sent out the following more easily than a ship with the or- at 29.90. The weather was fine for message, "S.O.S. Florizel ashore near dinary shaped bow. I have not been the previous two days. I had not no- Cape Race; fast going to pieces." in many steamboats. I have been ticed any storm signals nor did my used the words "fast going to pieces" master of the Florizel for about 3½ glass suggest any signs of a storm. on my own initiative, as I realized the years and mate for 2 years. She I read the Toronto report in the pa-danger and thought that would hurry usually steams about 12 knots and is pers that day. The weather was fine assistance. good ship in emergency, behaving and the night clear. There was no splendidly in fine or bad weather. We pressure brought to bear to make me did not receive any messages from had all the instruments that ships put to sea. The crew numbered 59 not anywhere after the ship struck. should have, compasses, sextant, including the stewardess. The enchronometer, patent log, patent lead, gines are always tested before leaving hand lead, etc. I have two compasses, the dock, that is they are gently turned one on the bridge and the other under- over and before leaving we generally neath. They are Kelvin's patent com- ring a good stand-by. The officers alpasses of the largest kind. They ways take the draught of the ship bewere adjusted about 8 or 9 months fore leaving. The Florizel was in ago. We used a Cherub log which good trim and easy handled. At 8 was got at Bowring Bros. The revolu- o'clock I passed Fort Amherst and tions of the log registers itself on a looked at the time myself. When nachine standing on the rail of the Fort Amherst was abeam I steered S. to counteract the effects of cold and ship. I have used that type of a log E. 1/2 S. until Cape Spear bore West cutting March winds, for which purwer since I have been attached to the by South from me. At 8.30, I altered pose it has been used for many years ship and have found them to be the the course to S.W. At 12 o'clock we past. For this purpose Cream of best. I have often tested the log we were steering W. % S., Cape Broyle Lilies has no superior as a soothing ere then using and found it very re- was then bearing from me. I did not and healing application, and scarcely care about going up the coast as there any equals. It is also excellent as an lepth of water we use the Kelvin was a swell and the wind veering after shave for men, as it is neither sounding tubes. They can be used from S.E. I did not like going over sticky nor greasy, and doesn't show when the ship is going full speed. It Renews Bantams. I then altered the on the face. Price 30 cents a pot. takes from 3 to 5 minutes to take com- ship's course to S.S.W. I had been on We have now a good stock of Ever on St. Patrick's afternoon in the

I asked the 2nd Engineer what he Terra Novas thought she was doing. He said 6 or 7. I gave her six and so as to make sure I jotted down 5. I then changed bout 4.30 a.m. the wind was S. E. and plowing a fair gale, we were then in fathoms of wire. I did not mean for him to cast the lead as I intended do-The Marine Enquiry into the loss of oms of water I can take the sound-ing it at 5 o'clock. I then consulted the S. S. Florizel and 94 of her pas- ings in 3 minutes. When entering the chart and found that we were put up a good fast game and at times sengers and crew, was held in the port I use the hand lead which is very near Cape Ballard Bank when I made things uncomfortable for their Tower Room of the Supreme Court about 14 lbs. weight. Attached to the altered the course to W. hv S. Beyesterday afternoon, the sitting last- bottom of the ship is a submarine ap- tween 4.30 and 4.45 the lead was cast. paratus for picking up the sound of I don't know the exact time. She had Mr. J. P. Blackwood, K.C., presided, submarine bells from the light ships run about 11/2 or 2 miles when I al-Captain McDermott, R.N., Captain and other stations. There are no fog tered the course to W. by S. I reckon-English, Harbor Master and Captain signals going up the shore except at ed we would be near Cape Ballard. The Spracklin, Ships' Husband with the R. Cape Spear, Bear Cove Head and Cape | course I was steering should take me N. Co., being the assessors. The Race. There are lights at Ferryland about 4 miles off the cape, when at 4.50 ting away with two new dashes Crown was represented by Hon. Dr. Head and Bay Bulls Head, but no fog the Florizel struck that was about 15 found the Feildian back division easy. Lloyd, Minister of Justice, and Mr. horns. The apparatus attached to the mintes after I had altered the course. The first half, however, was not so

see the sun for days. By listening to tor, on being examined by Mr. Dun- some brilliant individual play scor-Mr. Blackwood opened the enquiry the sounds of the fog bells you can field, said: I am a resident of New ing most every time they got away. by reading to those present his com- steer your ship in the direction from York. I was chief operator on the Ewing, who was playing a star game mission from His Excellency the which the sound comes. I usually Florizel. Mr. Murphy was my as- as Feildian rover pulled off some Governor giving him authority to con- pass Cape Spear about 11/2 miles off sistant. We take turns at the instru- splendid dashes and on three occaments. Mr. Murphy was on duty at | sions was "too quick" for Charlie the time. I was in bed being off my Quick who defended the Terra Nova's object of the Crown was to find if pro- instrument for navigation and have watch for 3 hours. No messages were net. those on board previous to her sailing any defect, that is, being too fast or ment messages from Mount Pearl Sta- and Max Churchill were time-keepers tion. I went off duty at 2 a.m. and I and the players were

Mr. R. T. McGrath, chief clerk of was another boat known as the jolly I kept on transmitting for about 8 the Registrar of Shipping Department, boat which was removed to give place minutes. My apparatus was then in on being examined by Mr. Dunfield, for a gun. Besides this we had 300 good condition as far as I could tell. but we have the monthly shipping ed by the old fashioned davits. There rent was got from a dynamo in the documents. She was built at Glas- is a new system which is much easier engine room. I was getting from gow, Scotland, 1909, and is registered but not any quicker. The ship is fully dynamo about 5 minutes. A big wave fitted with fire fighting apparatus in- struck the house and I decided to get Hon. John Harvey, Managing Di- cluding patent extinguishers, a good out of that. I came out of the cabin rector of Harvey and Co., on being supply of hose which is operated by on to the deck. I hung on to the lee rail for about half an hour. One of the crew thought it would be safer in the Marconi Room, and on going I am 43 years of age. I first went to there we found a couple of parties in the cargo and passenger of the Florisea about 19 years of age as a boy there. The room gradually filled up. 9. Trapnell (T.N.) 19 mins. and book the passengers. I have the sian in which I sailed for six years. I away in the Marconi Room. Two or 11. Stick (T.N.) 28½ mins. return I rejoined the Carpasian and aerial we could have communicated sailed in her for 2 years more. I then with Cape Race but on account of the which I stayed ashore and studied na- full of people and leaking badly the vigation at F. J. Doyle's school and apparatus could not be used. The was awarded a mate's certificate. I gear is very susceptible to dampness. then sailed as mate in the barqt. Mag- I was in a position to see over the gie for one voyage. My next two weather side. I saw nothing till I

or of Bowring Bros., Ltd., examined This was in 1906. I went back to the had to abandon the idea. Capt. Mar- 2 mins.; R. Herder (T.N.) 2 mins.; for the latter means that they will Marconi Room could go forward but none would leave as the seas were served on her for 18 months. In 1911 sweeping the deck. I was with the Cross-examined by Mr. Gibbs. Car their team. with the line. Capt. Martin said they

> might have a chance of securing a line on the forecastle head as the place where the lines were kept was under water. I don't know if there was any orders given to passengers. Further cross-examined by Mr.

Questioned by Mr. Blackwood: At 6.30 the sitting adjourned

3 p.m. to-morrow when the evidence of Captain Martin will be continued.

McMurdo's Store News.

WEDNESDAY, March 6, '18, of the water, for instance in 30 fath- watching the course and at 4 o'clock Price 90c. a dozen.

Defeat Feildians

Uncorking all the dazzling and be wildering assortment of hockey tactics that has characterized their work clear water and I gave instructions to in recent games, the Terra Novas detover. He mistook what I said and patriotic hockey at the Prince's Rink cast the lead. He told me he got 90 by a score of 14 goals to 7. As the score would indicate there was only dated to-day, states that la one team in the game and that was Redmond, the great Irish less not the Feildians. However, they er, is dead. opponents. The game while fast was Awarded Distinguished R. Herder, Stick and Trapnell high liners for the Terra Novas and White and Ewing for the Feildians. The Terra's played well at breaking up their opponents' combination and getbad ending as it did with the Terra Novas leading by 3 goals. In the sec-Cecil Sidney Carter, wireless opera- ond session Stick and R. Herder made

Messrs. J. Vinnicombe, J. Coughlan

FEILDIANS TERRA NOVAS Point Left Right Centre R. Herder The goals were scored in the following order:

1. R. Herder (T.N.) 4 mins. 2. Stick (T.N.) 6 mins. 3 White (F.) 10 mins. 4. White (F.) 14 mins. 5. Ewing (F.) 15 mins. 6. White (F.) 16 mins. 7. R. Herder (T.N.) 18 mins.

10. R. Herder (T.N.) 20 mins. 1. Ewing (F.) 1 minute. 2. Trapnell (T.N.) 10 mins. 3. R. Herder (T.N.) 11 mins. 4. Trapnell (T.N.) 12 mins. 5. Ewing (F.) 13 mins. 6. Stick (T.N.) 21 mins. 7. Stick (T.N.) 27 mins. 8. R. Herder (T.N.) 28 mins. 9. R. Herder (T.N.) 281/2 mins.

10. Ewing (F) 29 mins. The penalties were: Canning (T. Hockey League will be played on Fri N.) 2 mins.; Bugden (F.) 4 mins.; day night. The contesting teams are Wilson (F.) 2 mins.; Tobin (T.N.) the Feildians and Victorias. A win Tobin (T.N.) 4 mins. Quick was not 'slow' in

played a star game. R. Herder and Stick pulled off good stuff for the T.N.'s. White and Ewing excelled for the Feildians but lacked the support of

but nevertheless are true sports they has kindly consented to lecture play the game and deserve better luck. on Thursday p.m., March 7th,

Funerals Yesterday.

Warren: I was half asleep in my Connolly took place from his resi-All my crew with the exception of berth. I was undressed. Getting out dence, Duckworth Street, yesterday British. Chief Officer Tucker, 4 sea- about 20 seconds. My room was on presentatives of the Benevolent Irish tragedy took place yesterday after- At Springdale, on Feb. 11th, Fred-Re-examined by Mr. Dunfield: The noon from his residence, British erick Allan Clarke, aged 33 years, son

Seaman Lost.

The schr. Viola May, Capt. Petite, with her ensign at half mast, her at 2 p.m., from his late reside mate named Stowbridge, belonging to Quidi Vidi. the westward, having been lost over- Passed suddenly away this board on the passage across. So far as can be learned the unfortunate sailor went over during a storm, and the crew being engaged at the time in hoisting the riding sail dare not leave to attempt a rescue. The Viola May was 49 days on the run, during which time a succession of storms prevailed. The vessel has ballast only and is now anchored in the stream. Sunday afternoon she made Cape Race and on Monday sheltered at Cape Broyle, where she had a narrow escape from going ashore.

Under the distinguished patronage of His Excellency the Governor and Miss Harris, the ladies of the Cowan Mission will hold their annual entertainment ete soundings according to the depth the bridge during the whole time Ready Safety Razor Blades available. Methodist College Hall. Particulars later.-mar6.2i

LONDON, To-Day John Redmond is dead

A flash message from Loni

Service Cross.

ed the Distinguished Service O daughter of Mrs. S. E. Colto sister of Mrs. Frank Carnell and M

Victory War

In another column to-day will w found the rules for the exhibition war bread ,etc., which the Food Cor trol Board is proposing to bring in the British Hall next Wednes afternoon. It will be seen that the programme covers all classes of at ables in the way of bread, cake, etc. generally used in the colony, and the an excellent opportunity is afford to all housewives to display their sill in this branch of culinary art. Appro priate prizes are offered, and it is ha ed that there will be a large number of competitors, and that the outcome will be such as to make it eviden that the women of St. John's an whole-heartedly in the work of fool economy for the winning of the war.

Here and There.

Open every night till 9.30, Stafford's Drug Store, Theatre Hill_feb23.tf

NOTE OF THANKS-Public thanks as promised, to the Almighty for the safe return of my dearest friend from the Florizel catastrophe.-advt.11

Stafford's Drug Store, Theatre Hill, is open every night till 9.30.—feb23,tf

FROM THE WRECK.-The D.P. Ingraham returned from the scene of the wreck yesterday with Minister of Marine Stone on board. Owing to stormy weather nothing could be done and on Monday the Ingraham was obliged to shelter at Renews.

THE LAST GAME.—The last game in the second round of the Senio have to play off with the Terra No vas for the championship.

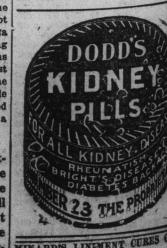
> LECTURE: "EPIDEMIC DISEASES."

(Under the distinguishe patronage of His Grace the The Feildians are now tail enders Archbishop.) - Dr. Campbel at 8.15 o'clock in the Aula Max ma, St. Bonaventure's College, in aid of the Presentation Convent Building Fund. Admission 20c.—mar6,1i

of Mr. Geo. W. Clarke; leaving a wife and three children to mourn their sad

This morning, at 3 o'clock, after long illness, William Seymour, learing a wife, 2 sons and 2 daughters to arrived yesterday from a foreign port mourn their loss. Funeral on Friday

Timothy Hayes, second son of Mrs. all the late Patrick Hayes, aged 32 years Funeral on Friday, at 2.30 p.m., from his late residence 10 Bond St.—R.I.



LATEST Why Doesn't

GLISH CLERGYMAN PREACHES ON SU

are, Edinburgh, by the Rev. Dr. H. lated the ldwyn Hughes, and published in the opp

not Thy peace, and be not still, O od.—Psalm LXXXIII.

eat confederacy of its foes. The ites, the Amalekites, and Arabian bes from the desert had formed a calition, and Philistia, Tyre, and e7en the great empire of Assyria were

souls

The Psalmist cries out take action in defence of His people. Why has He not done something before this? There is a note of perplexed impatience in his cry. "O God, reep not Thou silence: hold not Thy peace, and be not still, O God." What loes he want God to do? Here is his

0 my God, make them like the whirling dust; As stubble before the wind. As the fire that burneth the forest,

And as the flame that setteth the mountains on fire; So pursue them with Thy tempest And terrify them with Thy storm. Fill their faces with confusion; That they may seek Thy name,

And multitudes are asking to-day, in view of the calamities of the preactive? Why does He not end the with war? Why does He allow thousands of the flower of Europe's not nanhood to go to their death? Why Why legium, and Serbia, and Roumania, chur and now part of Italy? Why does He not confound the designs of the Cen- gani tral Powers, as those designs are? But what would we have God do? We askanswer like the Psalmist-Let God by the pursue our enemies, and terrify them, and scatter them, and put them military plans of the Central Powers, ly th and crown with invincible power and and ess every effort of the Allies. It Have is very natural that we should ask | thro such questions, and make such de- world mands, but reflection will show that som they do not take account of all the all

If God is to intervene with overwhelming power to destroy iniquity ors wherever it manifests itself, where is and He to begin? Is He to commence our with you and me, for there is "none righteous, no not one?" A man in evit business formulates a crafty, dishonest scheme to get the better of his neighbor. Ought God to stretch out His arm and bring him low? When vice seeks to lead virtue astray ought God to intervene and strike the viclous man dead? You may say that the ese cases are very different from that of a great war, which brings misery to millions, and no one will disagree with you. But the question

where is God to begin? Let us look at the matter, however, from the standpoint of war. If God g had always acted on the principle us suggested I very much doubt whether | be the human race would have survived in the process. There have been wars

and the Worst is

