

Lorraine no longer exists between us." Surely here the wish was father to the thought! But there are other autocrats like William. For instance, there is the Sultan of Turkey, who is to-day, thanks to our successes in the East, more of a sick man than ever. William and he have lately been toasting each other to their heart's content. And do not let us forget the late King of Greece, who consistently played the part of a German spy at Athens till the Allies put their long-delayed extinguisher upon him. Tino has left it on record that he "could not have looked William in the face again" if he had behaved otherwise than he did,—promptly telegraphing to his master at Berlin all military or political information received from Greek diplomats accredited to the Entente Powers, and organizing at William's bidding bands of irregulars who were to cut General Sarrail's communications at Salonika and harass his rear. And in the papers which have recently come to light at Athens it is disclosed that Tino's royal consort, Queen Sophie, described the Entente Allies, in a letter to her brother at Berlin, as a set of "infamous pigs." This is a truly precious utterance. Of course William had already written to his sister in similar terms of endearment. "Nothing remains for Tino to do," he had said, "than to take action against these brutes." So Sophie will go down to history, along with her brother and her husband, as one who would fain have maintained the amazing system by which individual rulers, behind the backs of their responsible advisers, to say nothing of the people's representatives, attempted at their own sweet will to mould the destinies of Europe and of the world.

ENEMY There has been a great deal of peace talk during
PEACE TALK recent weeks, but most of it was "made in Germany." That is equivalent to saying that it has been altogether lacking in the qualities of frankness and straightforwardness, which have no part in the ordinary make-up of German mentality and morality. For indirectness of statement the Germans are without rivals anywhere. Take