

and neglect to prepare yourselves for war, you may soon become the slave you deserve to be.'

NOTE.—I append a short extract from a recent number of *The Times* :

'We have received the following from the Contessa Evelyn Martinengo Cesaresco :

I translate from the *Secolo* of to-day, October 19, the following conversation between the correspondent of that newspaper and one of the King's Indian soldiers now in France.

The correspondent was curious to know what was the spirit of the Indian troops. "Are you glad," he asked, "to have come here to fight for a country which is not yours—France—at the bidding of another country—England—which dominates you?"

The Indian looked at him with eyes full of wonder and indignation, and replied: "India is not oppressed by any one; she is a part, and not a small part, of a great Empire. Therefore the Indians are not slaves of this Empire, but subjects as are the English, the Scottish, and the Irish. The English Empire is menaced by a nation called Germany, and to defend itself it has appealed to all its subjects. If the Empire were menaced in India, the English soldiers would have gone there, but as it is menaced in Europe, we have come here." He added in accents of profound pride, "We are English!"