The Catholic Record

LONDON, SATURDAY, MAY 11, 1918 FOOD PRODUCTION activity. Outdoor life is taking on ies and Stevenson tantalise us in time or money to spend on pleasure. new and widely-extended phases some moods-envy seldom leads to everywhere. Town and country vie green pastures and still waters where with each other in the cultivation of the immortals abide and soul answers the kindly fruits of the earth on an to soul. This throws some ray of unprecedented scale, nor do Eve and light athwart the countryman's case, her progeny scorn to aid the work of often strangely misunderstood. Have tillage in its humbler forms. Mil- we not fallen in with reserved men ton's sketch of the enforced industry and simple women, when on tramp, which followed the expulsion of our whose clear ways of looking at things first parents from Eden has its paral. put to shame the verbosity and To the Editor of The N. Y. Times: lel in countless fields and plots today: learned ignorance too often found Bacon's essay on Gardens is now out- among writing men and publicists done by the universality of the con- whose names are upon the tongues fidence felt in Nature's power to of the multitude? Slow thinkers from expressing my views. recruit our larders and turn our maybe, and heavy of speech, but gloomy fears into rejoicing. Nor nearer to the heart of things and can there be any doubt that garden feeling the world's pulse steadily, cities will be multiplied in coming wisdom and experience uttering years and vast tracts of derelict land themselves as they often do from be restored to proper use as the in- childish lips, to the confusion of exhaustible granary of essential food | pedants and philosophers. They for our growing population. This hear voices and observe portents that theme invites us to consider the escape the dull eyes and ears of those 1914. My only excuse for being in uplifting influences of this resort to who toil and dwell amid the rush and this country now is to regain my the land-influences that only affect. | turmoil of commerce. ed the few exceptional spirits in primitive ages. Only in flashes of inspiration-often when some great crisis was impending-did Greek or Hebrew seer break forth into melody as Nature's grandeur unfolded itself from rulers and ruled alike in these service. I give this brief account of before his entranced sight. How can crucial times carries with it the the drudge of the mine or the factory be expected to echo the glowing From of old man has drawn strength numbers of The Benedicte when he and alertness from his contact with rarely sees pure skies and filmy mother earth. To call a patch his clouds in circumstances that awaken emotions of delight and thankful- rake in its cultivation, to surmise ness? A new scale of value makes that it covers a depth of four thouitself felt when, in the very act of sand miles, however narrow and cultivating a plot of ground for short on the surface—these things are mutual advantage, the heart rises in of themselves heartening. Life broods response to the appeal of the laws in the soil, rises in the seed, passes that ordain growth and regulate the into hand and limbs as the tiller harvest. Thus what the sensual bends and toils. Bud and blossom man in us all has deemed the curse gladden the eye, while weeds exercise of labour is transformed into a bless- the cautionary faculties, reacting ing. Recall the scene in Shakespeare's "As You Like It," when the which is the counterpart of virtue. banished duke and his companions How to select and plant wisely, when learn some of the uses of solitude; to replace this crop and garner that, Party, to a large extent, lost its hold when also the running brooks and with due consideration for your the rocky shelves over which they neighbor's claim-are not such things babble convey new suggestions of typical of the things that matter in truth and power—the woods of Arden our human intercourse for importsupplying fresh and intimate reve- ant ends? Then the foes, real and lations such as old sages met with imaginary, of the crops—slugs and in Hellas and Galilee. Even the worms, fowls of the air and cats who average town dweller, escaping from are after them, insect pests that call

BEYOND PRICE

tive toil and afterwards rest under

Yet the theatre and the nickelshow cannot vie with the natural joys that offer themselves " without money and without price" in shady lanes and winding footpaths by the fragrant countryside. To the toilworn city clerk or artisan, the teacher or nurse or weary house mother, a green field or a restful rural scene seems like a glimpse of heaven.

We are beginning to sound the depths of Goldsmith's line in The Traveller-" The broad ocean leans upon the land." Were not Shakespeare's gifts nourished by early familiarity with his Warwickshire woods and pastures—the sweet lanes and hedge. rows by which Avon strays? Heaven only knows what doom of sterility if their supply of vigorous manhood can reverse the general order of Home Rule. for even a single year! As it is, we not fail of their reward : also "toil

and landscapes which send our fancy destruction and life overcoming roving abroad in quest of the food death. The exhibaration induced by our souls are denied at bench and exercise in the open air is well desk and counter; but these vicarious known to leisured folk, whose sports transports leave us hungering for are too costly and exclusive to form All around us are signs of bustling Nature and life at first hand. Jeffer- a standard for toilers with little

OUR GAIN

In its more restricted and ordinary sense the cry that has gone forth promise of moral and physical gain. own, to wield spade and hoe and upon the wholesome dread of evil dull streets into open spaces where for incessant vigilance - have not he may stretch his limbs in recreathese their theological parallels?

We can all recall the twelfth centhe greenwood tree, tastes a pleasure tury flies and caterpillars at Laon, that is as untainted as it is novel. and in 1510 rats were sentenced at How good it is to begin the day by Autun. The boys in the trenches Empire. going out while yet the freshness of would approve if such measures the dew and early sunlight fling would have any efficacy now. Then their charm over everything; when what thought has to be expended the dawn is yet holding its breath as over fertilisers, methods of encouragit were-full of expectation and ing or checking rapid growth and promise! When the hours of toil other devices for securing a full are over too, how restful are the in- harvest in due season—all having a self government similar to that of our of the land, it must be obeyed. To day we have in our midst agents of whom the ablest counsellors, and not sep- day we have in our midst agents of whom the ablest counsellors, and not sep- day we have in our midst agents of the land, it must be obeyed. To day we have in our midst agents of the land, it must be obeyed. To day we have in our midst agents of the land, it must be obeyed. To day we have in our midst agents of the land, it must be obeyed. To day we have in our midst agents of the land, it must be obeyed. To day we have in our midst agents of the land, it must be obeyed. To day we have in our midst agents of the land, it must be obeyed. To day we have in our midst agents of the land, it must be obeyed. To day we have in our midst agents of the land, it must be obeyed. To day we have in our midst agents of the land, it must be obeyed. To day we have in our midst agents of the land, it must be obeyed. To day we have in our midst agents of the land, it must be obeyed. To day we have in our midst agent of the land, it must be obeyed. To day we have in our midst agent of the land, it must be obeyed. To day we have in our midst agent of the land, it must be obeyed. To day we have in our midst agent of the land, it must be obeyed. To day we have in our midst agent of the land, it must be obeyed. To day we have in our midst agent of the land, it must be obeyed. To day we have in our midst agent of the land, it must be obeyed. To day we have in our midst agent of the land, it must be obeyed. To day we have in our midst agent of the land, it must be obeyed. To day we have in our midst agent of the land, it must be obeyed. To day we have in our midst agent of the land, it must be obeyed. To day we have in our midst agent of the land, it must be obeyed. promise! When the hours of toil fluences distilled by the gently falling suggestive bearing upon the lifegloom of eventide and the hints of tenancy granted to us and the char. manifold preparations for a new acter which is its chief outcome. Here Nature preaches more effectively than tongue or pen. As in Arden, so under stress of war-weather now, we may be "feelingly persuaded of what we are," once again learning and more deeply that, as Stevenson has it. "Love is the great amulet that accidents of life, reaching with tremulous hand beyond the grave. Easy to say, yea, but also, by Heaven's mercy, both easy and grateful to

THE LESSONS

The lessons of the furrow and the seed bed need little formal enforcement, for minds alert to signs and symbols read the open book that needs no authoritative endorsement. Sowing and reaping are conjoined, would fall upon our overgrown cities and no casualty of blight or weather and unspent womanhood were to fail things. Knowledge and industry do are living on our human capital too | co-operant to an end" draws diverse temperaments together, abates the "Now go we in content to liberty rigour of competition, insensibly and not to banishment," said the promotes the fraternal sympathy wanderers in Arden, and so say all which is the true aim of all social who have left the chimney pots and effort. In this hour of national need the sordid cares that nestle beneath measureless good may come of this them behind. Brief as the relief may return to Nature in which "all sorts be, it is a gain both to sense and and conditions" of men and women

bring to us pictures of sunlit spaces common purpose—creation balancing proclaim their loyalty to the and landscapes which send our fancy destruction and life overcoming empire from the housetops, but I

AN IRISHMAN'S PLEA

TIRED OF HYSTERICAL ABUSE OF IRELAND PROTESTANT OFFICER RELATES HOME

TRUTHS ABOUT IRISH " BIGOTRY AND INTOLERANCE "

During the present crisis in Ireland I consider it only fair that the American public should know the facts. I cannot any longer refrain OF FIGHTING IRISH STOCK

I am a Southern Irishman, a Protestant, and heir to considerable landed property, my home being in County Wexford. Consequently, I have all my interests in my native country. I have been in the British Army over nine years and proceeded to France on active service in August, health for renewed service. My father, a retired artillery officer, volunteered and went to Gallipoli in the Terth Irish Division. My brother. being at Oxford University at the commencement of the War, immediately joined the Royal Fusiliers, and has since died from the effects of our family history in this War so that my following remarks may not onstrued.

KNOWS RECENT IRISH HISTORY

I am tired of hearing people who ought to know better say, "Oh, I am ashamed of Ireland behaving in this disloyal manner and refusing to acconscription. Why shouldn't be forced to contribute her quota to the army and navy? I say to these people, give blame and praise where they are due. During the first two years of the War conscription would have been accepted in Ireland with practically no great mount of opposition. The Parlia-nent at Westminster, however, failed to apply it. In the same man ner as they failed to give Ireland Home Rule. They were content to procrastinate, to allow things to drift along until the Nationalist

over the country.

The late Irish leader John Redmond and his brother William were true examples of the best types of Irishmen. They have both for their country and the British Empire as a whole—William Redmond fighting bravely on the battle-field, while his brother John died leading his fellow-Nationalists in the hope of trying to save Ireland to the empire. John Redmond knew that time was precious and that England's delay in granting Home Rule to Ireland was simply playing into the hands of the enemies of the British

MEMORIES"

parties in Ireland—the Nationalists tion conscription was established as and the Unionists. The Nationalist a result of the verdict at the polls. policy was to create in Ireland a aration from Great Britain, as so many have tried to make the world believe is the case.

The Unionist policy was to continue the government of Ireland from Westminster, a policy based chiefly on religious intolerance, bitter memories, and generally tried out and found wanting in every decent essential.

THE EVOLUTION OF SINN FEIN

Today there is a third party in reland, The "Sinn Fein," whose makes the world a garden, and Hope which comes to all, outwears the policy is complete separation from the British Empire. This move ment, which was negligible before the War, is now strong and very formidable. How, you may ask, has this Sinn Fein Party become so strong? I give the following rea-

1. Disgust of the extreme Nation alists at the treatment meted out by a weak Government to Ireland and its loyal Nationalist representatives.

2. The placing in power of such men as Sir Edward Carson and Sir F. E. Smith—two men notoriously antagonistic to any form of self-government in Ireland, and who before the War were the leaders of the Ulster army, pledged to withstand

3. German money and propa-ganda poured into Ireland from the

SOUTHERN UNIONISTS AND NORTHERN

RIOTERS The Southern Unionists have now practically made common cause with their fellow-Nationalists. But there Church will put its full force behind their fellow-Nationalists. But there still remains about three counties in Ulster the leaders of which are so success. eaten up with religious bigotry and intolerance that they put every be, it is a gain both to sense and spirit. We owe much to those who are combining for a justifiable ment. These are the people who

noticed in the daily papers of April 18 that the first riot against con-scription in Ireland had just occurred in Belfast.

LET ENGLAND PRACTISE WHAT SHE PREACHES

onscription on her colonies. respective Governments settled this matter for themselves. In the same manner, why cannot England grant Home Rule to Ireland, and trust Ireland, through an Irish admin-istration, to do the right thing and fill up the gaps in the depleted Irish regiments?

The civilized world will always reember how Ireland was content at the beginning of the War to forget all her internal troubles and come forward as one man to fight the common enemy. No country was more surprised than Germany which counted on civil war in Ireland to keep Great Britain fully occupied. One of the slogans of the Allies today is the rights of small nationalities to settle their own affairs. Why will not Ergland practice what she preaches and show the world that she is in earnest by allowing Ireland to decide her own destinies?

RIGHT TERRIBLE MISTAKE AND INJUSTICE

In conclusion, my most fervent hope and prayer is that conscription will not be enforced in Ireland except by vote of an Irish Parliament. A terrible mistake and injustice have been perpetrated. It now remains to be seen if the present Cabinet is sufficiently big enough to acknowledge this mistake and make honorable amends.

A. LOFTUS BRYAN. New York, April 24, 1918.

QUEBEC FALLING INTO LINE

There has been a noticeable change in the attitude of French-Canadians toward the law of compulsory service. The military policy of the country may not be more to their liking, but they recognize more clearly that it represents the will of the majority, which in a democracy must prevail. The enlistment rec of late show also that the call of duty is being heard by a widening circle of young French Canadians. So far as this is due to a better understanding of the issues of the War, it has been-promoted, no doubt, by the abatement of the Nationalist propaganda which had criminally misrepresented the aims and purposes of the Allies. The silence of Mr. Bourassa and his understudies during the crisis of the past few weeks has made it easier for the voice of reason and truth to get a duced the disastrous crisis in the air hearing. The ingrained respect for service. The resignation of Lord hearing. The ingrained respect for law and authority among French-Canadians is asserting itself, and many of their natural leaders have come forward to impress upon them the obligation of obedience to the State. Rev. Father Comtois, parish priest of Terrebonne, said in his sermon recently:

England and France fighting side by Before the War there were two to their support. At the last elec-

honor of our parish. throughout the parishes by priests and public men, will work a benefcent revolution in Quebec. Acquiesence in the law will be followed by an interest and pride in the French-Canadian battalions enrolled under it, and a stronger sense of national unity and fellowship with other Provinces will grow out of the com-radeship of the fighting men. Those who predicted that Quebec would not be an insuperable obstacle to the enforcement of conscription are finding that their confiden upon an appreciation of the solid qualities of the French - Canadian race and its deeper currents of feel ing, is being justified. - Toronto

> CARDINAL GIBBONS TO AID BOND SALE DRIVE

"over the top" in the third Liberty Loan drive yesterday when he called to his home the pastors of the city the movement to make the loan a

Every Catholic priest in the city

summon to a meeting in the parish the splendor of the sacrifice?
hall every man and woman able to "The whirlwind which for too attending the meeting will be sent out to see that not a member of the church fails to buy at least a small

After the meeting the Cardinal said that he had already invested in Liberty bonds every penny he could lay his hands upon. He controls thousands of dollars belonging to charitable and reformatory institu-tions under the auspices of the Catholic Church and not a cent of this vast sum is lying idle now. Every institution has been ordered by the Cardinal to put all available funds that can be spared from actual and pressing needs into bonds, and if he can help in any way the State will not be behind its quota when the present loan campaign is ended.

NORTHCLIFFE BUBBLE BURST

A. G. GARDINER BLAMES THE PREMIER'S LEVITY FOR THE PRESENT GRAVE CRISIS

DISTRUST OF SOLID THINKING

A special cable to the Gazette April 29 says :- Discussing the war situation in the Daily News, A. G. Gardiner, after admitting the importance of the German successes, but contending that their heavy losses are preparing an excellent opportunity for Foch's contemplated

ounter-stroke, says:

"The grave position with which we are confronted is not a product of accident. It is a product partly of events over which we had no con trol, largely of mistakes of military strategy, and of our lack of political sagacity. The mis-handling of the Russian revolution is a cardinal illustration of the latter. Is it possible that, when the facts are known the circumstances associated with the incident of the Emperor Karl's letter to Prince Sixtus will put even that in the shade?

THE PREMIER'S LEVITY "With the disastrous mistakes of strategy everyone is now familiar. What is happening in France is a formidable comment on the prolonged struggle between the 'westerners' and 'easterners,' between Sir William Robertson's sanity and Lloyd George's levity. It is that levity, that reliance on little ingenuities, impulses, and plausible advisers, that distrust of solid thinking, and that disregard of the great currents that move the souls of men which are responsible for the ominous position in Ireland.

"It is the same deep-seated defect of mind and character that has pro-Rothermere, coupled with the report ed resignation of his brother Lord Northeliffe, is a welcome fact. It indicates that the Harmsworth bubble has burst. Lord Northeliffe's power was in sniping in a mask behind a journalistic hedge. Bring him into the open, look at him, try him and he is nothing-vox et prae

CLAIMS NO DEFENCE

"But it is on this man that Lloyd George has relied for three years. The law is hard, but, being the law It is he through whom he has man the Federal Police. They will go to greatest sailors, and the greatest your houses, and you must receive soldiers have been hounded out of them well. Use moderation. They office, and policies have been dic are doing their duty, and there must tated. The case of General Tren be no wrath in your dealings with chard illuminates the whole record them, all of which will be to the it explains all the rest-all that has This wise counsel, if repeated the admission that, once put on aroughout the parishes by priests trial, there is no defence, the public happened during the years. And in have the measure of the George

"It is late in the day, and the full revelation comes in the most critical moment of our destiny. No one contemplates a political crisis now with out anxiety; but the menace in Ire-land must be averted, and the disruption of the air service must be gency that is upon us. No considerand defends be ations should be an obstacle to their of our front. accomplishment."

GROWING GOOD, WILL IN QUEBEC

Montreal, May 2.-Le Soleil, of Quebec, speaking of conscription, says:
"We have fought as it was our "We have fought as it was our right and as our sincere conception the world from her tyranny: and is

right and as our sincere conception of duty inspired us, in order to present the carrying out of what we Baltimore, April 26.—Cardinal Gibbons led the Catholic clergymen "over the top" in the third Liberty "over the top" in the third Liberty "order to presence of the inevitable."

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already the gallant patriotism of these young French - Canadians has provoked around us well-merited expressions of gratitude. They are the custodians of the future and of our good work draws down the graces race and if the sacrifice demanded of necessary for its success.—St. Vinput every will make an earnest plea next Sun-Irish settle day to the members of his congrega-people who tion to buy bonds. But exhortation them is heavy, yet in their double cent de Paul.

attend and the ecclesiastical end of the drive will be forgotten and those caught us in its eddies, and perhaps we ceded too long to the error that we could escape it. If it be liberty is not an individual right, but rather a collective respon sibility, we should understand that in this formidable conflict which ual liberty should be sacrificed to assure the salvation of that collective liberty which is the real object of the

CARDINAL LOGUE ON "NO POPERY"

TAKES PESSIMISTIC VIEW OF OUTLOOK FOR SETTLEMENT IN IRELAND

Special Cable Despatch to The Globe London, May 1.—An Irish correspondent sends to The Manchester Guardian an account of an interview vith Cardinal Logue, Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of Ireland, on the subject of the "no Popery" cry which has been raised in The London Times as a contribution to the Irish

The Cardinal, says the correspondent, has the weight of more than eighty years on him, and, moreover, one gathered, not so much from his words as from the sentiments which inspired them, that when the enemy takes the form of the thousandtongued modern press it is wearisome even to a Christian Bishop to be attempting always to combat error. Every speech he had made, he said, brought at least a score of letters, some abusive and some inquisitive.

SAYS PLOT TALK NONSENSE

The correspondent asked the Cardinal point-blank whether the Irish Catholic hierarchy was taking the lead against conscription as part of a become a Catholic country because pro-German plot engineered from the Vatican.

"I don't suppose you yourself need telling," the Cardinal said, "but if you think anybody else needs telling, then tell him for me that it is non-sense. The Irish Bishops have received no instructions and no suggestions from the Vatican about their attitude toward conscription. If they in this country, the dispensation or had it is surely myself who would know, concession permits members of the haditissurely myself who would know, and I do not know anything of the kind. But everybody knows that the Catholic Church has sons on both sides in this horrible War, and everybody ought to know that, so far as the Vatican is concerned, it has been neutral throughout. The Vatican

could have been no other."
Was the "no Popery" cry likely to do harm to the Church itself, was asked, and the Cardinal's answer

Not a bit of it, but if persisted in it might do harm to the Allies."

PESSIMISTIC ON IRISH QUESTION The Cardinal shook his head ominously over the final question, was there any chance of an immediate new Home Rule bill would be satisfactory to the great majority of Irishmen, and on this pessimistic note, which, the correspondent says, one is afraid, is pretty general in Ireland

CARDINAL SEES COMPENSATIONS

FOR WAR

Sorely as France has suffered, the War is not all evil, is the burden of the pastoral of Cardinal Lucon, Archbishop of Rheims. Far from being unjust toward France, Providence, he declares, has been kinder and more lenient towards her offenses than there was reason to hope. illustrations of this he goes on to cite the heroic resistance of Belgium, which gave France time to concentrate her forces; "the precious alliance of Eugland, who holds the enemy's fleet shut up in its ports, presses the central empires with a blockade which is probably no less efficacious for things are vital to us in the emer- their reduction than force of arms. and defends by our side a large part The of our front.

alliance of Italy, who, in order to join us, left the triple alliance; and lastly the alliance of the United States. which has come and put at the service of our cause its immense resources in men, money and materials of War. * * Again, the War has broken Germany's dreams

"All we have to do is to do our and sacrifice. A religious awakening duty so let us do it with credit. An has been produced, so remarkable at -True Voice

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CATHOLIC NOTES

The total voting strength of women in the United States is 8,557,308

The Ancient Order of Hibernians in Philadelphia unfurled a 635 star service banner recently.

The diocese of Vilna, Lithuania, has 1,420,000 Catholics. In Vilna city there are 30 churches and 142,-000 Catholics. The see dates from

The new Code of Canon Law directs that Catholic parents must give their children the names of saints in their Baptism. The Church has always counselled this; now it is directed.

Right Rev. Dennis J. Dougherty, D. D., Buffalo, N. Y., has received official notification of his appoint-ment as Archbishop of Philadelphia in succession to the late Archbishop Pfendergast, who died Feb. 26th,

According to the Church's New Code of Canon Law, Sacramental Confession within eight days before or within eight days after a feast to which an indulgence is attached suffices to fulfill the requirement of confession for the gaining of that indulgence.

This year, in August, the first Cathedral of Louisville, at Bardstown, Ky., will observe the centenary of its solemn dedication and consecration. It is probably the oldest consecrated Cathedral in the United States, and is in perfect preservation -a veritable shrine of art and

It is announced that as a result of the mediation of the Sovereign Pontiff the seizure of the church bells in Belgium by the Germans, to be utilized as war material, has been stopped by official orders. number have already been taken and destroyed.

The "American Israelite" says: published statistics are correct, the United States will eventually and celibacy among the families of the other sects." Recent statistics indicate that the "Israelite" is about

An important concession has been made by the Holy Father to mem bers of the Holy Name Society in the United States. In view of conditions Holy Name to gain a plenary indulgence on the second Sunday of every month, even though no procession is held. It is sufficient to fulfill the usual conditions in regard to confession and Communion

The charming residence of the late Lord de Clifford, with demesne lands of 207 statute acres, purchased some time ago by the Congested District Board of Ireland, has been repurchased from the board by the trustees of the Chinese Mission, who are turning it into a college for the education of youths to the priesthood for that mission.

His Eminence Cardinal Gibbons announces that he had sent \$10,000 settlement of the Irish question. He added that nothing he had heard gave chapels that have been damaged by added that nothing he had heard gave him real ground for hope that the part of the fund raised in this country under the auspices of cardinals, archbishops and bishops of the Catholic Church, and Cardinal Gibbons said recently for the first e that this fund has now \$15,000,000.

> Mayor Hylan of New York is fulfilling his promises to give that big city an enlightened and efficient administration. He has just appointed that well-known Protestant champion of Catholic schools the Hon. Bird Coler, Commissioner of Charities, in succession to Kingsbury, the bigot who slandered the nuns who are in charge of many orphan asylums and other similar institutions not long ago with the approval of the Mayor who was? recently ignominiously defeated for re-election.

Plans are being perfected for a demonstration, national in character, on the occasion of placing an imposing statue of Christ as the Light of the World, on the pinnacle of Mc-Mahon Hall, Catholic University. The date will be announced soon. It is planned to have the great figure of the "Light of the World" visiat night from many parts of Washington and surrounding points. It will be bathed in a flood of white light, directed upon it by an illumin ating system similar to that recently installed in the Capitol grounds, which makes the Goddess of Liberty shine out in all her glory.

It is announced that Rev. George Army since the beginning of the War, has been directed to return to the example has just been magnificently given by our Quebec youths, and army, that it seemed a prodigy." United States to take part in the extensive propaganda which is being tensive propaganda which is being carried on in this country by France and her allies. Father Sauvage will upon his arrival in Washington enter ipon a lecture tour of the country. He was the recipient last summer the British War Cross.