



of peace and a bishop erned him gains from the experience the God of Peace, regard this war even if he loses in the battle; the as worthy and as necessary. man whose participation in such a "I believe that God is on the side struggle leads him to the abandonof the Allies and that our struggle ment of all ideals save the false thea holy one. ory that might is right and that the

"We are fighting, not for our own lives and properties of others are to profit, nor for the extension of the be stolen by armed men with impun-British Empire or of the French Reity and even glory, loses by it whepublic or the Russian domain or for ther he be victory or be vanquished. augmented power or teritory for any "I have spoken of the spirit of paone of our governments, but for the gan vandalism which has developed elsewhere. The results of this have reedom of the world. "At this late day I cannot discuss been continually before the eyes and

the causes of the war's beginnings," in the minds of English men and woreasons which keep us men of late, and I doubt not that mainto it, determined upon nay of them have been tracing the efthrust victory, no matter what the cost may fect back to its cause. be, are so very clear to me that I England, He thinks, a Weapon in God's

cannot think that any intelligent Am-Hands. erican can fail to understand them. "In the minds, of many thousand "I, as one who tries to be a Chris- Englishmen is the conviction that our

tian and to be charitable to all men, nation now is being used as a weawithout regard to nationality or creed pon in God's hands. These men and or station, who endeavors to see both women know that the nations which sides and the good in the contentions sank the Lusitania, which betrayed even of antagonists, believe the fail- and ravaged Belgium and stood by ure of the Allies, which I regard as while 350,000 Armenians were done utterly impossible, would be the heav to death would not have done these iest blow which could fall upon hu-things had they not lost their fear manity. of and their faith in God. To those "Religious men and women, where- who think this out faith become ver they may be, must, I believe, more desirable than ever. agree with me almost universally, for "The man who long has been during years past Germany, out of Christian and suddenly starts out her own mouth, has cried to me and fight a righteous battle, feeling that to every thinking Christian that her he is a weapon in God's hands, wi dominance as a world power would not become irreligious; the nation a mean, wherever, it was felt, a defiance a whole has felt a mighty spiritual of Christianity. The methods she has uplift which must help it, not de followed in this war have been de grade it. War never emphasizes the fant of Christianity. To my mind it forms of religion; to warriors fightis absolutely clear that the victory of ing for the right the substance of Germany would mean the domination religion must inevitably emphasized. of the world by the pagan war which No; the war will not weaken the rewould come after the success of pag-ligion of Great Britain; an arms. strengthen it. "I do not, I will not believe, and, I "To use the words of a Scotch am thankful to say, nothing in the preacher, we are fighting for the military situation makes it reasonable 'nailed hand against the mailed fist. for me to believe that such a victory "The mere fact that we engage is possible. The Christian idea, not such a battle, raising for the task a the pagan, will live dominant. volunteer army, representing, I be-"The Christian idea includes chilieve, a greater proportion of our kind- male population of fighting age than alrous treatment of women, ess toward and the right development ever was represented before by volof children, responsible regard unteer fighters (save, perhaps, in the eager people, of however humble two armies of your North and South tion, as well as respectful because in the days of your Civil War, before fearful regard for powerful nations; you found it necessary to introduce the Christian idea involves honor in the draft) is, I think, proof positive national and international relationthat we are not morally deteriorating ships as surely as it involves honesty through the effects of war. in dealings between individual men. "There are those who argue that the **Christianity Means Freedom** war disproves the Christian theory "In other words Christianity means through its mere occurrence. The reedom. Freedom is a part of it. chastisement, if it be chastisement, "The role which the Allies play in which has been allowed to come has this great war is that of an organized been only less appalling to the side of power struggling for the freedom the Allies than to that of their ad the race, which must be free if it versaries. to progress and which must progre-"But is it entirely chastisement f it is to work out its best destinic The death of Christ was not Thus freedom becomes holy and tisement. He died for all the things war for freedom is a holy war. Pea e for which our boys have died, is admirable; it is desirable above though He also died for more, far most things; but there is at least one more, for He was God, not man. thing which ranks it in desirability "He died for the salvation of the and that one thing is freedom. world and the remission of the sins "I have not been a mere long dis- of the whole race; but even He spoke tance student of this war. I have sadly about 'drinking the cup,' even seen it close at hand. I have fired He agonized in the garden while He no shots in it, but I have urged other braced His human will to drink that men to do so and have stood near to cup down to the very dregs. those who have. I have visited this "There is chastisement in this war, war, somewhat in my vocational ca- for us as for our enemies. During pacity as a man of God striving to its first year the clergy of Worcestergive comfort and encouragement to shire, with their bishop, retired unthose fighting the battles of God, but der the shadow of the Malvern Hills also, somewhat in the capacity of a in the buildings and grounds of Malstudent, anxious to see what the al- vern College for a week together and



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A correspondent sends us the foi

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