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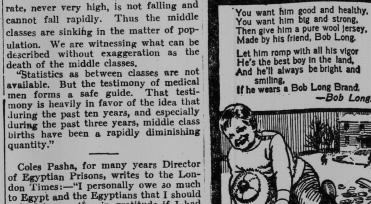
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## SIDELIGHTS O EVENTS IN THE MOTHERLAND

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The Archbishop of Canterbury, writ-ing on the same subject to the Secre-tary of the Treasury, says:—"I am now receiving a large number of communica-tions, verbal and written, from men of all sorts, and I am struck by the marked difference which these two years have brought about in the attitude of thoughtful people, so far as I am able to test it. Certainly, as regards those who speak specially from what is called to test it. Certainly, as regards those who speak specially from what is called the religious standpoint, opinion adverse to the issue of premium bonds is firmer and more deliberate than it was in 1917. This is, I think, due primarily to the fuller consideration which has been given to what was to most of us a novel sub-ject, and partly to the impression cre-ated by the evidence which was laid be-re the parliamentary committee by h representative men as Lord Lever-ime, Lionel Hichens, Sir Robert Kind-rsley, Mr. McKenna, Mr. Bowerman, Mr. May and others who, in different ways, were able to contribute definite in-formation and to base their warnings up-on experience gained in various fields. So intense is now the feeling which many wise thinkers and observers entertain upon the subject that I should regard a decision of the House of Commons in 'avor of premium bonds as a veritable misfortune. I was myself opposed two years ago to the issue of such bonds, but I had not then before me the ample material which is now in our hands. The consideration of it has greatly strengthened the opinion I then held."





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A medical correspondent of the Lon-don Times, discussing the decline of the birth-rate, writes:--"In the period 1850-1910 it is true the death-rate fell by thirty per cent. A large proportion of the fall is to be as-cribed to the reduction of the infant death-rate and to measures of public bygiene. The result has been that, es-be ally among the very poor, the falling by gine. The result has been that, es-be uly among the very poor, the falling oit, rate has been to some extent com-pensated for. "It is this point which requires to be emphasized at the moment, for unless it is appreciated the true significance of the situation will be missed. Falling



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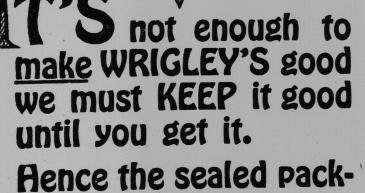


ishes a singular says a correspondent of the London limes, "for an intelligent spectator, after making a round of the exhibits and without being advised as to the real state of affairs, could hardly fail to come to the conclusion that Great Britain was firmly established upon the crest of a veritable tidal wave of prosperity. It is sincerely to be hoped that some, at least, of those manufacturers who have addressed themselves to the production of large cars, and whose order books are already charged to overflowing with conditional sales, will realize that the direction in which they have set out is not that in which permanence and sta-bility for the industry as a whole are likely to be found. It would require an almost inconceivable windfall of national wealth to justify the programme upon which so many firms have cheerfully en-tered. With affairs as they are today, to make luxury the backbone of a key industry is to court disaster, and is, in-deed but little short of industrial sui-cide." ter making a round of the exhibits and 

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Scotch Gamekeeper Wouldn't Stand for Royal Abuse.

Red Bank, N. J., Dec. 17—Robert MacPhail, a Scotchman, who is superin-tendent of Oliver C. Holton's Twin Brook Farm near here, tells an interest-ing story about a quarrel he had with the former German kaiser. Mr. MacPhail, who is an expert on wild bird life, worked for various royal families and wealthy people in Scotland and England on large hunting preserves, and it was his duty to help keep the birds healthy and thriving so that there would always be plenty of game for the royal hunters. It was while he was working on an estate adjoining that of the King of England when he had his "run-in" with the kaiser, who was visiting the king. A hunting party was held for the royal visitor on land which



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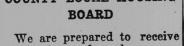
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