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THE WAR NEWS.

The German armies in France as an aggressive force are a diminishing quantity. The much vaunted war machine, terrible though it has proved itself, has met its master. Failure to take Paris, after the marvellous advance almost to the gates of that city, and failure during the last two weeks to shake off or defeat the French and British armies, shows that hereafter the German fighting, whatever partial success here or there may be won by a forward movement, will really be on the defensive.

as to be hardly recognizable. That which France and Belgium have been compelled to suffer must soon be the lot of the German people, with this difference, that the atrocities committed by the German armies will not be repeated by the British and the French in territory occupied by them there will be no outrages upon non-combatants, however much the latter may suffer as a result of the invasion of their hitherto peaceful valleys. The movement that is on foot in Canada to send relief to the sorely stricken Belgian people should appeal very strongly to Canadians, who are far from the field of war and can only dimly realize its awful effects upon the people of that stricken country, whose only crime was their refusal to join the German warlord in his shameful violation of a solemn treaty.

THE WAR LORD

There is a good deal of controversy as to the real attitude of the Kaiser in relation to this war. It has even suggested by some that if he had refused to take the fatal step he would have been over-ruled by the war party. It is fair to assume, since he never loses an opportunity to say that he is God's vice-regent, that he was really the leader, and that if he for a moment hesitated to declare war it was because he had not quite made up his mind that the psychological moment had arrived. It was only the other day the Kreuz Zeitung in a leading article said: "No hour is more ardently desired by us than that of reckoning with England. We must have satisfaction, and if ever a war should be regarded as a judgment of God it is this one." Now that the war is in progress a new significance is found in many statements of the Kaiser and his advisors in the recent past, and in passages from books by German authors dealing with relations between Germany and the rest of Europe. That the German people have thus far accounted for by the fact that the German press is only permitted to give expression to the official view, and that it has for years been busy creating prejudice against other countries and representing the German as being, to use the Kaiser's phrase, "the salt of the earth," and destined to achieve universal dominion. The world has had enough of the Prussian idea and will have no more of it. The Kreuz Zeitung is right. It is the judgment of God that is now being pronounced.

Today's news from France is to the effect that French forces have appeared around Peronne, seventeen miles north-west of St. Quentin, attacking the extreme German right. This indicates that the enveloping movement in that quarter has been making steady progress. St. Quentin is much nearer to the Belgian border than the allied armies have been able to get since they were forced backward by the great German march toward Paris. If the French are able to bring up strong enough reinforcements in that quarter, without weakening their main line between Noyon and Verdun, the position of General Von Kluck's army will be made untenable, and the retreat through Belgium an extremely hazardous if not impossible undertaking. It would seem that we may look for important developments along a line from Peronne through St. Quentin to Laon, and if the French succeed in this movement the German retreat along the whole line will be hastened.

In the eastern field the Russians have not yet entirely disposed of the Austrian armies in Galicia; but they are making steady progress, and Austria is also facing internal troubles which are likely to grow more and more serious as the days pass.

THE CANADIAN CONTINGENT

The announcement that the Canadian contingent will number nearly 10,000 more men than was asked for by the British war office, means that practically all the men now at Valcartier will go. The exact number is 81,500 officers and men with 7,700 horses. The plan is to place an army division in the field, and to have another 9,000 men held in reserve within easy reach. Properly equipped the Canadian contingent, even with the short period of drill at Valcartier, will be a most effective fighting force.

The only statement made regarding a second contingent is that it can be quickly mobilized if necessary, and since recruiting is going on steadily throughout the country the statement is doubtless true. The feeling is universal that a second contingent will be required as soon as it can be got in readiness for service. The cry of Lord Kitchener and Sir John French is still for more men, and Canada stands ready to contribute her share.

The Rt. Hon. Winston Churchill stated the issue clearly in an address in Liverpool last night when he said: "Peace with the German people might be arranged in good time; but there would be no peace with Prussian militarism short of the grave." Canada is as much concerned as the Mother Country in the overthrow of Prussian militarism, and what its triumph would mean to the British Empire.

DEVASTATION BY WAR

It requires a vivid imagination to get even a faint conception of the effect of the war in Europe upon the people in the districts through which the armies move and where actual fighting takes place. Not only are crops destroyed and houses either destroyed or looted; but the people are compelled to abandon their homes for the time being and suffer the greatest hardship, even if the very worst does not befall them. Communication between different places is interrupted, bridges are blown up, the postal and other services interfered with, and after the hurricane of war has passed it will take years for the people to recover from their losses. The horrors of war are by no means confined to the suffering endured by the soldiers in the ranks. Territory is laid waste, property destroyed, homes desolated, towns and cities reduced to ruins or left with many a dreadful scar, and the whole aspect of the country so changed

Sir Rider Haggard in a message to the Canadian people says there is little hope that this war will be of short duration, and he urges Canada to sow next spring double her area of wheat, as every ear of it will be needed.

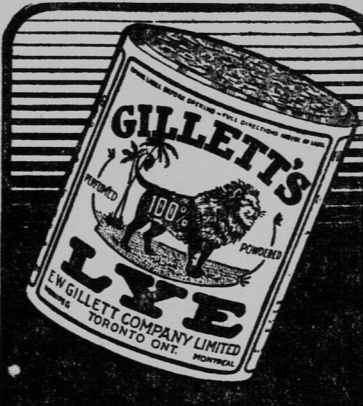
The fact that the German cruiser Emden stole into the Bay of Bengal and sunk five British merchant vessels is a grim reminder of what might have happened to British commerce on the seven seas had not the German fleet been bottled up by the British navy at the very beginning of the war.

The local patriotic fund is now in excess of \$80,000. It should be in excess of \$50,000, and then St. John would not be doing as much in proportion to population as many other Canadian cities. Have the various committees which were appointed to canvass the different sections of the city attempted to do their work with any degree of thoroughness?

The British officers have suffered heavily in the fighting in France. The names of thirty lieutenant-colonels, eighty-five majors and 246 captains are posted as killed, wounded or missing. The British officer of today lacks none of the courage that has marked the leaders of British armies in all the long history of the race.

The Provincial Industrial Association, which was lately organized in Toronto to deal with the problem of unemployment, aims to provide work and not charity. It proposes to co-operate with the civic authorities. No special plan has as yet been outlined, but it is proposed to have a province-wide organization doing all in its power to stimulate trade and industry and minimize unemployment. A committee of ten has been appointed to prepare a workable scheme to be submitted as soon as possible to the association.

Not only is Pope Benedict shocked by the wanton destruction of the famous cathedral at Rheims, but the committee of the German Humanity League at Rotterdam has issued a solemn protest against "the appalling crimes which have disgraced the German nation in the eyes of the world." They declare that "there can be no protection of democracy from brigandage and death until the imperial domination of Prussia with its Germany is crushed, disarmed and swept away for ever." When Germans can be got to place their signatures to such an arraignment of the Kaiser it is not surprising that the rest of the world is bitter in its denunciation of the atrocities committed by the German armies in Belgium and France.



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LIGHTER VEIN. Mama—Johnny, see that you give Ethel the lion's share of that orange. Johnny—Yes'm. Ethel—Mamma, he hasn't given me any. Johnny—Well, that's all right. Lions don't eat oranges.

"Hey, Seth!" called one farmer to another, "an haow's crops an' prospects?" "Crops is bad," replied Seth, "an' prospects is wus. As I said to my ole mule, Jim, this mornin' when I wus givin' her her feed, says I, 'I says, 'It's a good job for you, I says, 'that you ain't a camel, fer that's the las' straw, I says.'"

A commercial traveler had been talking his hardest, his most eloquent, his most persuasive for nearly an hour to a shrewd old Yorkshire business man. The old fellow seemed convinced and pleased, and the traveler thought he had his fish landed, but the Yorkshire man said: "There's ma lad, Jock. Ah'd like him to hear what ye have to say. Will ye come this afternoon and go over your talk again?" "Certainly, sir! with pleasure!" replied the traveler heartily, and at the hour appointed presented himself again for the interview with father and son. Again he went over the points of the article he had been presenting so enthusiastically: "Do you hear that, Jock? Well, now, that's the way I want ye to sell our goods on the road."

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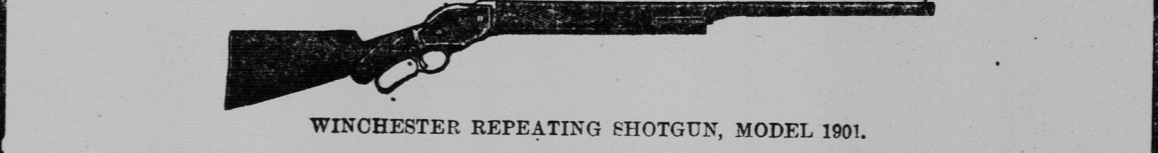
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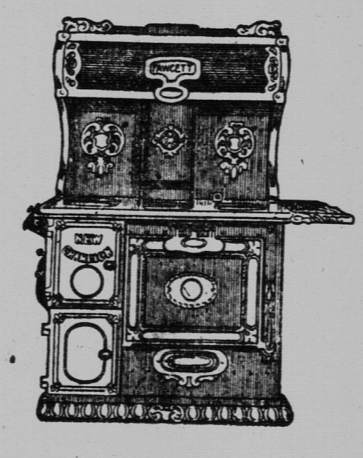
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BISMARCKISM WITHOUT THE BRAINS OF BISMARCK

That is German Policy, Says Hon. Mr. White — Britain's Hands Clean — The Navy's Silent Victory

Hon. W. T. White, minister of finance, speaking at the Central Canada exhibition, in Ottawa, last week, referred in a spirited manner to the great European conflict. The real issue, he said, was Prussian militarism against free institutions. The German people themselves were the victims of Prussian militarism. The judgment of neutral nations was one of the greatest factors which would aid in defeating Germany and Austria. He added:

"There is no doubt that the Kaiser held in his hand the opportunity to make either war or peace. Great Britain's hands are clean. She could not retain her place in history if she had allowed Belgium neutrality to be violated." When Mr. White referred to the splendid work of Sir Edward Grey as foreign minister, his name was heartily cheered. After referring to the "silent victory of the navy," he said: "There never has been a greater feat of arms than the retreat of the British from Mons. The British fought just as they fought in the retreat from Coronilla under Sir John Moore."

Bismarckism Without Brains. The German policy was "Bismarckism without Bismarck's brains." Bismarck would not have put Germany in so dangerous a position. Spirit and moral force, rather than guns and ships, would be the deciding factor. The thought of Canada and of the world cannot be the same after the war as it was before. We shall never be the same again. This war will have an immense influence in bringing the countries closer together.

WOMAN'S HAIR REACHES TO KNEES

A Year Ago Was Threatened With Baldness. Tells How She Made Her Hair Grow. Mrs. Esther Emery, now visiting friends in the city, is the fortunate possessor of marvellously beautiful hair, which, when loosened from its coils, falls to her knees. Moreover it is of soft, silky and fluffy texture and in color a glorious glossy gold. Yet just one year ago she was threatened with baldness. Urged to tell how she had obtained this wonderful growth in so short a time, she said: "Had anyone told me such marvellous results could be accomplished so quickly, I positively would not have believed it. Twelve months ago my hair, which then reached barely to my shoulders, was falling out at an alarming rate and growing very thin, actually exposing the bald scalp in several spots. It was dull and lifeless in color, turning grey in patches, and very dry and brittle. My head was covered with dandruff and itched like mad all the time. I tried fully a dozen different hair tonics, but they were all the same and never did me a bit of good. One day I chanced to read in my home paper of a simple home prescription to make the hair grow that was recommended by a well known physician. It said that by taking ordinary Lavona de Composee and mixing with Bay Rum and Menthol Crystals and applying to the scalp each night with the finger tips that new hair would grow very rapidly. I decided to try it and I had my druggist mix 2 oz. of Lavona de Composee with six oz. of Bay Rum and 1-2 drachm of Menthol Crystals, and started to use it. My hair quickly my hair did grow. First the hair stopped falling, the itching ceased and the dandruff disappeared. Then tiny little hairs appeared all over my scalp. These grew and grew as though nothing would ever stop them. They are growing yet, and while, of course, I have used the treatment steadily and expect to continue it, at least until my hair reaches the floor, I might have stopped and been perfectly satisfied at the end of three months. I think that any woman can get long, thick, beautiful hair by using this prescription as I have recommended it to several friends and all are delighted with the result. The prescription is very inexpensive and any druggist can fill it."

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