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Economic Pressure to end the War.

ern frontier and the ebb and flow of the tide of bat- not say its cheap. tle on the east forces military writers and economists to the conclusion that the war is developing they will put into operation at the psychological ping early, only one hundred and ninety days left!" Opinion. moment, but to the ordinary outsider it looks as if the struggle were settling down to one of endur-

The former have control of the seas, and despite the From trade practically without the winds and state and state and state are importing raw materials pointing out that Germany is fighting the whole world. munitions of war, while they are exporting manufactured goods. In other words, the commerce of these countries is being carried on under what der arms. mounts to almost normal conditions. The opposite is true of Germany and Austria. Those countries are unable to import the raw materials necessary t) keep their factories going, or to export manufactur ed goods. Through the loss of sea power they are unable to bring in foodstuffs and despite their protestations they must be facing a shortage of food. Probably what is more important is a shortage of copper, gasolene, rubber and other munitions of war. The Allies have the whole world to draw upon pend entirely upon their own resources.

some men over for operations against Germany. Germany. At the beginning of the war England peal for recruits falls on unheeding ears. and France had a male population between the ages of seventeen and fifty-five of twenty-one millions to . In Toronto, the civic authorities are taking steps is overwhelmingly in favor of the Allies.

should win out. The greater the army a nation places in the field, the greater is the strain upon the population which must feed, clothe and equip well-known loyalty will assert itself. that army. Millions of men must be withdrawn frem ordinary gainful occupations to provide soldiers Back in 1900 when Admiral von Tirpitz had the nearly one and a half million for France and three mic, and then, as an immediate conse mai than is dermany. The latter country is going struction of our sea trade during the war could not, the field which must be fed, clothed and supplied with munitions of war, which in turn requires in the war a serious conomic depression.

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Dean Swift Roseate Dawn." The sub-editor who was in charge had never heard of the Lincolnshire Handwith and the conomic depression in the Manchurian campaign, in which age. Sergeant Riley, with only age. Sergeant Riley, with only age. of industrial workers. The foodstuffs, the raw materials entering into the manufacture of clothing and into the manufacture of ammunition cannot be imported, but must be found in Germany and Austria. As these countries cannot clothe and feed themalication and the Americans are like the Irishman who, after death at Lincoln of the celebrated Dean Swift, the author of that favorite hymn: The Roseate Hues of pants: "Is this a private scrap or can anyone got the Japanese had to treat an officer of his rank."

To hear some people talking one would think that ingly turned out the following paragraph, which duly appeared in print—"We deeply regret to announce the death at Lincoln of the celebrated Dean Swift, the author of that favorite hymn: The Roseate Hues of the Japanese had to treat an officer of his rank."

Justified, because it compelled the enemy to relieve the familion had determined to see the Russo-Japanese to conflict, and would not be denied. Certainly the spirit which inspires them is the spirit of individual resources and intelligent bravery against which the blind courage of the German military machine has

is that Great Britain and France have invested immense sums of money abroad, the interest on which is providing them with a large proportion of the money necessary to finance the war. Germany, on the other hand, has invested the most of her money in her home industries, with the result that her intion one looks, nor how liberal an interpretation one more harmoniously. The whole country as well as O Canada! thy shoulder bears the sheaf. the German people, one is irresistibly forced to the conclusion that the Teutons will eventually be forced to sue for peace. The Allies have the advantage of it. trade, and in the goodwill of the neutral nations.

Surety Companies to Guarantee Contractors.

attention to a much neglected custom in Canada. require a contractor tendering on public works to a visit to New York exceeds the usual tour of Europe With loud acclaim and heart aflame accompany his tender with a bond of a responsible because what is to be seen here can be understood. Thy children march with thee

to complete the work in the time called for in the contract or in regard to the quality of the work done, the surety company is held responsible. This done, the surety company is held responsible. This arrangement has a number of advantages over the manity, truth and justice could not be placed in betables a larger number of contractors to tender for

deposit a certified cheque with his tender. This has tion will be made impossible.—Frankfort Zeitung, the effect of limiting the tenderers to those pos sessing ready money, and bars out competent and responsible contractors who may be temporarily handicapped through lack of available funds. It from the present hit and miss, haphazard way of letting contracts and allowing a contractor to do the st he can with practically no supervision or check upon him. It is time for a change

The man who believes that talk is cheap had bet-

The season must be getting on! We noticed an into an endurance test. It is, of course, possible advertisement yesterday in an American financial into an endurance test. It is, of course, possible journal calling attention to Christmas clubs. The link Recruit (enthusiastically)—Yes, sif—for the public Ledger.

The will but into constitute the respective at the respective

can mag and the American nations. Perhaps the derman submarines, are able to carKaiser believes that he is doomed to failure, and fingers shot off and was addicted to drugs. The ry on trade practically without let or hindrance. wants to make it as easy as possible for himself by story says he was despondent.

> Canada, on the first of May, had 108,760 men un-ler arms. These figures include, of course, the troops at the front as well as those drilling at home and on guard duty in different parts of the country. This is a large number of troops for Canada to have under arms, but the number is still insufficient. The biggest task is ahead of us, and we should cortinue to recruit men and send them to the front afast as po

The business men of Nottingham, England, passed for their supplies, while Germany and Austria de a resolution calling the Government to issue a no tice requesting all unmarried men of military age entirely upon their own resources.

It comes to a question of men, there is also days. Many husiness men in Canada believe that we he's that powerful in prayer he would have fair killed but the one answer. Russia undoubtedly is able to take care of Austria and Turkey, and then have there are tens of thousands of young men without France and England are numerically much superior home or business ties in Canada to whom the ap-

Germany's sixteen and a half millions. In other to close up all German clubs in that city. In Mont- was about to enter, when: nys sixteen and a nan minious. In other to close up an oerman closs in that city. In sione-after all losses have been provided for the real our license commissioners granted a few days Anglo-French now stand in ratio to the Germans of ago a renewal of the license held by one German 137 to 100. These figures, however, take no recogniculation and are considering the renewal of a license tion of the population of Canada, Australia, New to another club. Our civic authorities are making Zealand, South Africa or India. If the population absolutely no effort to close up the German clubs of these Overseas Dominions be included, the ratio in this city or interfere in any way at all with gatherings of Germans where the Kaiser is toasted and There is still another reason why the Allies the King ridiculed. Montreal, in a civic sense, has

with food, raiment and ammunition. Germany has German Navy Bill passed, the following statement. The railway company sent round a man to look into with food, raiment and ammunition. Germany nas German Navy Bill passed, the tollowing statement five million men in the field against England's two appeared in his memorandum: "An unsuccessful naval war of even only a year would destroy Gerforf, and paid up! The railway complete for France, it means that Germany has but little many's sea trade, and would thereby bring about off, and paid up! over a million men for non-military industries to the most disastrous conditions, first, in her econo and a quarter millions for England. In other words, that, in her social life. Quite apart from the conse-France and England are less removed from the nor- quences of the possible peace conditions, the demal than is Germany. The latter country is going struction of our sea trade during the war could not,

selves nor provide their own supplies of copper, gasolene and rubber, the economic pressure upon them must be becoming increasingly keen. The Allies, on the other hand, do not even have to depend upon themselves for their war supplies. Factories in practically every neutral country in the gastistance of the civilized world. It is worse that the control of the control of the civilized world. It is worse that the control of the civilized world. It is worse that the control of the civilized world. It is worse that the control of the civilized world. It is worse that the control of the civilized world. It is worse that the control of the civilized world. It is worse that the control of the civilized world. It is worse that the control of the civilized world. It is worse that the civilized world. It is worse that the civilized world. It is worse that the control of the civilized world. It is worse that the civilized world. world are working day and night to supply them to a satisfactory conclusion. We can get along quite th their war materials.

Another factor which should not be lost sight of that Great Britain and France have invested in that anything more than Uncle Jona than's moral support. If he likes, however, he may Shall sing the songs they learned about the

NEW YORK CITY.

Sectional prejudices and jealousies are inimical to vestments form part of the vicious circle mentioned the best interests of the country. The United States above. In brief, it does not matter in which directions are unusually the best interests of the country. The United States Thou'lt kneel to God and kneel to Him alone. tion one looks, nor how liberal an interpretation one puts upon the resources and organizing ability of the German people, one is freesistibly forced to the New York City, yet opposition to the city is so widespread that it is a common saving that "the United Thy bounteous smile rewards our toil;"

est of it."

From Autumn's nappy neart.

O fairy glad, of field and wood: its limits may be congested but great cities have Thy maples bathe thee in their golden flood. attracted people since the beginning of history. proportion to the country's population. New York O Canada! from o'er the mighty deep City is not as badly overgrown as Melbourne, Australia, Buenos Aires, Argentina, or London, England. The comes to thee the voice of tralia, Buenos Aires, Argentina, or London, England. The startled ear is roused to hear New York is the most cosmopolitan city in the world Far valor's desperate cry The Laprairie section of the King Edward High- and every American should see and study it. He can The baffled call of them that fall The Laprairie section of the King Edward Highway has been very much in the limelight during the past few months, while the people who travel over ing its foreign quarters. It holds in its embrace more why shoulds't thou weep? Forth o'er the deep! have been very much bespeckled, and in some than a million Jews, half a million Italians, a quarcases submerged in mud. The failure on the part of ter of a million Greeks and other peoples from what complete their undertakings, often- was once Turkey in Europe, together with Syrians, O Canada! the voice of them that cry times due to inability to secure funds, calls fresh Armenians, Huns, Bohemians and the rest from cenTroubles thy rest and seemeth from on High. tral and southeastern Europe in sufficient numbers. Thy people stirred, thy voice have heard, In the United States all cities, towns and villages to form distinct colonies. The educational value of Thy beckening hand they see;

KIND, GENTLE PRUSSIANS.

world shall see that we shall not abuse our

ble gnarantee that the work will be properly per that fate nothing can save it but final and decisive rights of humanity. A truce to-day would be a catasthat fate nothing can save it but final and decisive rights of humanity. A truce to-day would be a catantorned.

German victory. That alone will bring the permanent trophe because it would condone treaty-breaking and cure of all its ills, for under the German rule of would leave all the formulated rules of internations. ost that is required here is that a contractor should equity the existence of national disease and corrup-

THAT SEASONABLE AILMENT.

book of her big neighbor to the South and adopt a different method in connection with the letting of contracts. This is an important question. Spring would be far more enjoyable for most folk ing exactly just what you want to do to obtain relief from something the matter with you that you
has always held its marryrs in especial honor bereally can't describe or explain is an annoyance, to has always held its martyrs in especial honor besay the least .- Topeka State Journal.

"A LITTLE NONSENSE NOW AND THEN"

by fire yesterday. Looks like old booze is getting it Christianity, in so doing it was necessary to do it in

Recruiting Officer-You want to enlist, eh?

The attorney for the gas company was making a popular address.

in the words of the immortal poet, Honor the Light

Voice of a consumer from the audience: "Oh, what

A clergyman is responsible for an anecdote about reverend friend of his who recently visited a sick woman in the absence of the minister of the neighoring parish. When his visit was over the patient's sister said to him gratefully. "A'm that thankful. Mr. Broon, that you cam' the day, an' no' oor ain poor Mary.

Having passed the doctor, Patrick McGuire was taking a look round the camp which was to be his home for some months. He wanted to enter one of the tents and "pal up"

with someone. He moved towards one of them, and w "Halt!" cried a sergeant; "you can't go in there

"And why not?" asked Pat. "It's the colonel's tent."

"Then what's it marked 'Private' for?"

An American millionaire's wife, who was touring on the Continent, wrote to her husband from Paris saying that she had sent him a model of the Venus de Milo. The millionaire, who had heard of the famous lady, was delighted; but when it arrived he was greatly disgusted to find that both arms were has been selected to command the land expedition

colnshire Handicap were Ob, Dean Swift, and Roseate
Dawn. A Press agency in London wired the result
That General Hamilto mysterious message. Finally, he came to the con-To hear some people talking one would think that the Americans are like the Irishman the Irishman that ingly turned out the following paragraph, which duly Quartermaster-General to the Forces, but Sir Len justified, because it compelled the enemy to remain does well to honor these men, for

BATTLE SONG.

(By Agnes W. Bates.)

(Adapted to the tune "O Canada."

Nor the clash of warring steel, Nor ever writhe in overthrow

surety company guaranteeing the fulfilment of his contract. In the event of his default, his failure to the contract. In the event of his default, his failure to the contract of the event of his default, his failure to be seen nere can be understood. The children march with thee by the American who speaks nothing but English. Forward they press doing their part to drive the sword through Tyranny. To drive the sword through Tyranny's proud heart.

CHRISTIANITY AND THE WAR.

Why do we say this? For the simple reason that moment will be not only unavailing, but that they vard, has stated that prayers for peace at the present the work, with the result that the party letting the contract gets the work done at a lower price. There contract gets the work done at a lower price. There is also the guarantee that the work will be properly its national instinct, thinks as universally, as justly, any price is too costly now because it would mean is also the guarantee that the work will be properly looked after, as no surety company would stand be hind a contractor without seeing that he fulfilled his part of the contract. In other words there is a dou mere wisp of haze

But it is doubtful whether the Rev. Dr. Robert ohnston struck the right note when he depicted Christianity as the antithesis of war and "hung up his Christianity on August 4 and would not take it down until the end of the war." True, war is unchristian in the sense that killing one's neighbor is unchristian cause they set convictions and ideals above the mere fact of physical existence. If it be true that the most solemn international treaties have been trodden under foot, that an innocent nation has been raped and outraged, that non-combatants and women and children have been deliberately slaughtered, that the sancti ter call up San Francisco on the long distance telephone, and see the result. Yesterday Montreal The stalemate which is now in force on the west-business men talked to San Francisco, but they d)

The town of Boozeville, Ga., was partially destroyed laws of righteousness. And, so far from shelving the name and for the sake of Christianity, just as the men of the North fought in the Civil War because they believed they were fighting for a free humanity.

SHORT BUT IMPORTANT.

In some quarters it looks as if the German-Am. An Indianapolis man who attempted to end his realize how small a part the war on the continent is In some quarters it looks as if the German-Am. An indianapous man who attempted to end his ericans were trying to involve the United States in the had been sentenced to the workhouse for drunken and to a struggle between the Allies and the Teutons.

The former have control of the seas and despite the left wing, the holding of which devolves British and Belgian forces.—Springfield Republican.

HOW'S YOUR ROOF?

salesman who was getting some information upo was about as follows:

Answer-"No shingles on his roof." Salesman-"How does Mr. Jones stand?"

Answer-"Good roof, but unless it is closely watched will surely lose some of its shingles. According to the innkeeper the credit thermometer as the condition of one's roof. There is a moral in

•••••••••••••• The Day's Best Editoria!

SIR IAN HAMILTON'S CHANCE. (New York Sun.)

to the railway company in respect of the damage. fleets in the campaign to take Constantinople, dearthat will co-operate with the French and British the complaint, found that the arms were really broken the collision of armies, and regards the profession of arms as the noblest on earth. Doubtless he indors Some years ago the first three horses in the Lin-virtues and essential to the progress of nations des Treitschke's view that war is the school of manig

to an Australian paper as follows: "Lincoln Ob in the shock and tactics of the battlefield a reading sage." That General Hamilton finds his keenest pleasure clusion that "B" must stand for obiit. He accord-billet was hardly one for a Lieutenant-General and machine guns across a turnip field; the feat w apanese General he came into contact with.

characteristic zeal for the command of the Dardanelles-land expedition, which would not have been conferred upon him if Kitchener, when he served as Chief of Staff in the Boer war, did not have a good ed to the skies, knowing them well as a veteran of the Afghan war of 1878-80 and the Chitral and Tirah campaigns. The East Indians will fight for Hamilton like the devil. But he is the kind of General whom all soldiers like and are proud to serve un- were removed by trains."—Calgary News-Telegram. der. He has a lightness of spirit and eager valor that will please the French; they will think of him

will be Sir Ian Hamilton's first experience as an independent commander of a large force, and his responsibility will be greater because report at first associated General d'Amade, one of the ablest French Generals with the feadership of the Dardanelles expedition. Sir Ian Hamilton has seen a great deal of hard fighting in his time; he is a student of strategy and an excellent tactician; and he has the knuck of getting on with his lieutenants. The combination of Hamilton and d'Amade promises well, and if the Scotsman survives the campaign we shall have a fin-

figures as those compiled in Paris the other day showing that of 1655 miles of front held by the allies the British held but 31 and the Belgians 17, the remaining 540 miles in the west being held by the French; in the east the Russians were responsible for 851 miles and the Servians and Montenegrins for 217. It is of course true, however, that there is no more critical part of the line than the French

W. G. Jarvis, of New York, cites the experience of a number of fellow townsmen from the innkeeper, who had the reputation of possessing the greatest fund of information about his neighbors. The conversation

Salesman-"How does Mr. Smith stand financial-

Answer-"Very few shingles; sailing off daily." Salesman-"How does Mr. Brown stand?"

this not hard to find.—Credit Men's Bullet

with consideration and give him unusual opportuni- dashed itself in vain. We commend this page to ties to see the campaign as an expert. Hamilton the earnest study of our readers. was not the man to allow himself to be personally there the record of many who have laid down the conducted. He could shift for himself in any emer- lives for their friends, while there is not a man mer gency, being a sportsman as well as a soldier, and tioned in the list who did not offer his life freely he was always at the top of condition. The Japan- and continually with a sublime disregard ese could not fail to like a man who was as good re- and an entire forgetfulness of self.—London Tele tured, polite and sympathetic as themselves, and who graph. bore himself with the spirit of a samurai. As a matter of fact, Ian Hamilton is a reincarnated Scotch feudal chieftain with the urbanity and polish of the moderns. It is in his blood to love a good fight, and Antietan was the bloodiest," says Fox in his Registration of the control he has a gayety of temperament that is very attractive. In Manchuria he made a friend of every It is likely that Sir Ian Hamilton applied with

as more French than British.

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The transfer books will be closed from the 17th to the 31st of May, 1915, both days inclu-

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OF CANADA PAYS SPECIAL ATTENTION TO SAVINGS

THEY LAID DOWN THEIR LIVES.

All the actions recorded are severely practical in a mere exploit for the exploit Private Hyslop volunteered to carry a me sage which six men had been killed in attem; to deliver; he didn't; but it was the urgent impor Sergeant Riley, with only three men,

THE BLOODY FIGHTING IN BELGIUM.

mental Losses in the Civil War." At Antietam de Union losses were: Killed, 2,108; wounded 2,542; missing, 753; total, 12.410

The casualties reported by General Sir John French at Neuve Chapelle, were: 8,533; missing, 1,751; total, 12,811.

A comparison of these casualties will show that opinion of his abilities. England's big man plays ed was a bloodier battle than Antietam, and it will be the transfer of the Committee of the dians in his army, and they are troops he has laudpositive information that upwards of 12,000 wounded

LOVE.

(By W. Wilfred Campbell.)

Love came at dawn when all the world was fair. When crimson glories, bloom, and song we're

Love came at dawn when hope's wings fanne!

And murmured, "I am life." Love came at even when the day was done.

When heart and brain were tired, and slumber pressed; Love came at eve, shut out the sinking sun

And whispered, "I am rest."

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Railroad Issues Recei due to Favorable Cro

ERIE BECAME

Some Good E

Rumor that J. P. Morgan had R With Some Large Orders, V Does not de Business in

(Exclusive Leased Wire to Jou New York, May 12.—Gains of by leading issues at the opening lied on the advance and at the market showed a tendency to In some places it was argued der in regard to neutral ships the United States, whose comme on in British vessels which will ed while Dutch and Scandinavian lowed to go on their way withou Union Pacific opened 1/8 up at back to 125 1/8. United States & advance of 1/8 soon dropped bac under Tuesday's close. War order issues were stron

opening at 138½, an advance of 1 89, a gain of a point and America

New York, May 12-While there of selling in the first half hour, stock market was comparatively a showing declines of only about highest figures reached on the small reaction after an advance w nounted to 6 points in Steel and in many other stocks. The action of the market was

that the large interests who had on the break intended to regain nigher prices Interberough-Metropolitan issues The preferred advanced 1% to 721/4 It was quite generally beli

dividend list after a lapse of a c time from the inauguration of div There was a pool activity in a fe ccialties particularly distillers, w to 1434, and Virginia Carolina Che

would go through and that comm

ed 1½ to 32. New York, March 12.-Although omers to be cautious in operating he market gave a good account of hour, recovering its early decline s ues were concerned, while many rose to levels well above Tuesday's It was quite generally believed Germany would be decidedly firm tion of the market it was evident

elieved war with that country wou Union Pacific was the leader, its able than that of United States S advances were somewhat spasmodic short interest has had much to rally while buying of Union Pacific New York, May 12 .- A spirited

before noon, but some traders was at the expense of short interes cove the market's technical posi At noon the trading, however, she diminish in volume, and prices from the best. A rumor was current of some far ating to Steel in the near future, and at the conclusion that it must refer

rable decision in the anti-trust s war order. The stock advanced to 5 Tuerday's highest figure.

The large interests having head Broad way, are given credit in conse or the purchase of a great amount of day's market, their buying being said demoralized decline around mid

duced a better tendency towards the New York, May 12.- While trading the early afternoon the market's tone the fact that the advancing tendency the face of dullness was regarded There was no pressure of

and it was easier to make sales than Highly favorable weather condition the government's weekly bulletin serv

n to the exceptionally fine c which caused some buying of railro NEW YORK COTTON RA New York, May 12.-Cotton range

May ... Open.
July 9.35 9.38 July 9.71 October 10.04 10.04 December ... 10.22 10.22 January 10.20 NEW YORK STOCK SOL

New York, May 12.—Sales of stocks 10 to-day 538,612; Tuesday 446,977; Mono Bond sales to-day, \$2,440,500; Tuesd Monday, \$4,605,000.

UNITED STATES MAY ORDER GERMAN SH Washington, D.C., May 12.-An event nsidered here in connection with ou

Germany in shape of an edict ordering

vessels now tied up in Atlantic seapo vaters on short notice. ITALIAN RESERVISTS CAL Amsterdam, May 12.— All Italian age living in Belgium and Holland

ABANDONS FLEET PLAN Washington, May 12.— The attempt Atlantic fleet through the Panama Ca has been definitely abandoned.

RUSSIANS ADMIT RETRE Petrograd, May 12.—War Office add have retreated in the Carpathians.