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MAY ACCOMPLISH OTHER THAN THEY INTENDED

An American college president after spending some time in Britain, gives it as his view that what is there regarded as the "German peril" will result in a defensive alliance between Great Britain and the United States.

It is unfortunate that so desirable an object should have to be considered under pressure of a supposed menace from Germany.

The German people have been grossly libelled and needlessly insulted by the motives which have been imputed to them by the English people and self-seeking interests in England.

It has been the interest of so many people in England to exaggerate the German menace that there can be little doubt it has been exaggerated of all proportion.

If the result of this preaching is the establishment of an alliance such as is now being proposed, it will have succeeded other than they expected.

The German squadrons they could rest in peace and put their money into something more profitable than dreadnoughts.

The Toronto Globe tells Sir James Whitney that he "can do a lot more for the Empire by diverting English immigration and Ontario's own immigrants to the new north than by talking vaguely in London about imaginary perils of the Empire."

There is room for a million people on the farms of the north. But perhaps Sir James is counting the cost.

It is not much more than a resource to be developed by the expenditure of money, and neither former governments nor the present one have been able to regard it in any other light.

It is a word—administration for revenue purposes to the poorest way to handle agricultural land, so agricultural land is the poorest resource from which to extract revenue.

It will be impossible—save under unusual circumstances—to get settlers to buy land elsewhere in Canada, even land situated much nearer the larger "home" markets and the markets of the Old Land.

of revenue only by enormous expenditure. Had the province been obliged to build the railway which will make the difference in land value, it would have had to put far more into the road than it could get out of the land, and on the whole transaction would have been money out rather than money in through the attempt to get revenue from the land.

A few months ago, when the A. & G. W. matter was being debated in the Legislature, the Conservative papers were equally displeased with the Rutherford government and with the Liberal members of the House who were criticising the government.

That is the object of the Conservative papers and party-managers in now supporting a man whom they have denounced as no longer worthy the confidence of the electorate.

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Some contemporaries which know better are kind enough to credit the Bulletin with the assertion that the report of the Royal Commission is intended for the members of the Legislature, and should not be published.

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SANITATION IS CHEAPER THAN EPIDEMICS. There is a lesson for Edmonton in the typhoid epidemic with which Calgary is now afflicted.

The city commissioners included in their item of \$100,000 in the estimates for this year with which it was proposed to install water and sewer services for those not in position to put up the whole cost of the services at once, the money to be repaid as special taxes during a term of years.

This amendment will no doubt be secured at the coming session of the House. It should be and every preparation made to start work early in the summer and push it as fast as practicable.

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