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"We are fighting for a worthy purpose, and we shall not lay down our arms until that purpose has been fully achieved"—H. M. The King. TO THE PEOPLE OF THE EMPIRE—Every fighting unit we can send to the front means one step nearer peace.

### WILHELM'S CONSCIENCE.

"Before God and history my conscience is clear. I did not will the war."

This, from the lips of the war-mad Hohenzollern, on the anniversary of the actual entry of German troops into Belgium, is easily one of the most remarkable statements ever made by a ruler of men; remarkable because it illustrates the warped moral sense of Prussia's overlord when he can contemplate the year long deluge of blood and tears into which he has plunged more than half the world and yet declare with smug self complacency "My conscience is clear."

But, despite his disclaimer, it is evident the astute Kaiser is commencing to realize the dreadful burden of responsibility which history will place upon his shoulders for the happenings of the past twelve months, and he is attempting to delude himself into the belief that, after all, he was "more sinned against than sinning." Dead hands may point accusingly at him as their murderer; mothers, mourning mutilated babes, may raise streaming eyes toward the wearer of the eagle crested helmet as the cause of their sorrow; men may grind their teeth and invoke malediction and anathema on the Potentate of Potsdam, Wilhelm stands aloof and with the sullen petulance of one half crazed mouths mechanically "I did not will the war."

But the Kaiser's plea will avail him not, in the judgment of the kings of the earth or that greater Ruler before whom he claims his conscience is serene and untroubled. Evidence there is and a plenty to show that not only did Wilhelm will the war but that he planned for it years in advance and that the first steps in his campaign followed exactly in the line of his planning. Not in a day, a month or a year was the German army fashioned into the terrible fighting machine against which the flower of the world's free men have been contending for months. Not without sustained and painstaking effort did Germany acquire the wonderful fund of information concerning Belgium and France and the vulnerable spots in their defenses. It has already been established that, at the very time some worthy but misguided folk in Canada were scoffing at the thought of danger from Germany and Sir Wilfrid Laurier was endeavoring to invest the German Emperor with the shining white robes of an angel of peace, Wilhelm was plotting and planning for the day when a mighty coup would make him master of the world and only at the expense of a few hundred thousand of his slaughtered subjects.

When the day came Wilhelm was prepared. He struck the first blow and it fell when and as he willed it. While other minds may have planned the details of organization and may have directed the actual moves on the war board it was the semi-crazed blood-lusting Kaiser who dominated the situation. The torrent of bloodshed was loosed at his demand. He willed the war. And despite his melodramatic avowal of innocence he cannot escape direct responsibility for the world wide grief and misery caused by it. He avows his conscience is clear. More truthful would he be to declare it calloused.

### THE ASSURED END.

In a pronouncement, not unreasonable in its optimism, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle declares that the end of the world war is as certain as tomorrow's sunrise and that Britain and her Allies will triumph over their Teutonic enemies and reap the result of a profitable peace.

Probably a man in whom the science of deduction and conclusion is so highly developed as to make possible the creation of Sherlock Holmes, can view the present conflict with a clear analytical eye, assemble his facts and base his conclusions with an uncanny accuracy altogether unclouded by any desire to produce a result in conformity with his own desires. If that be the case then Sir Arthur's opinion is of real value. If, however, his wish is father to the thought, then his prediction is merely an expression of hope, and consequently unable to stand before critical analysis of cause and effect.

Whatever information the talented

novelist may have as a basis for his prediction there is, at any rate, nothing to indicate that the end of the war will be as he declares. After one year of fighting Britain and the Allies have overcome the advantage which Germany possessed at the outset. The Kaiser's troops have not yet succeeded in crushing the Russians, while on the Western front the pressure is steadily increasing. On sea all the successes have gone to the Allies, while the blockade of German and Austrian ports has had the effect of reducing to a minimum the supplies of food and materials available for the civil and military population of the Teutonic allies. Every condition, therefore, seems to indicate that Sir Conan Doyle's prediction is well founded and almost certain to be realized even as fully as the distinguished author himself expects.

### THE Y. M. C. A.

The 48th annual report of the Y. M. C. A., which is now offered to its patrons and to the public in general, represents services of almost incalculable value which are being rendered seven days a week by this institution and its supporters to the youth and manhood of our city. As will readily be noticed by the following list of "Significant Facts" the Y. M. C. A. of St. John is keeping well in line with the policies of the most live institutions of this kind on the continent, and as such it is deserving of the very hearty support of the citizens of St. John.

The Standard congratulates the executive of the Y. M. C. A. upon its splendid accomplishments, and has great pleasure in bringing to the attention of its readers the excellent services of the past year as presented in the following statement: 700 members—400 men, 300 boys. 110 men made use of the Dormitories. 4,900 and more men and boys used the building in some way every month. 142 boys in weekly Bible Study groups with a total attendance of 2,008. 48 wrote on the National Bible Study examinations. 67 boys Bible Study Group suppers, with a total attendance of 832. 1,687 men attended social affairs. 875 boys at Sunday meetings. 335 Gymnasium classes conducted with total attendance of 7,335. 1,590 boys attended social. 1,885 enlisted men given free use of gymnasium and baths. Two week night Bible classes for men.

10,884 men and boys used the Physical Department privileges. 52 men, and 47 boys on committees. 97 boys declared for clean speech, clean living and unselfish service. Class in First-Aid and Educational class for boys who work. Educational trips, outings, fire-side talks. \$600 contributed to the Canadian National Y. M. C. A. work. Free Boarding House Directory. Free instruction in swimming and life-saving. 40 leading magazines and papers on file. Building used extensively for meetings inter-denominational organizations. Building open every week day 9.00 a. m. to 10.30 p. m. Sunday, 2.00 to 5.00. For year ending April 30th, 1915, the Directors have undertaken a budget of \$12,960. \$1,500 of this is for necessary repairs. \$5,500 must be assured in gifts from citizens who believe in this character building work.

### Rev. Mr. Kuhring

Rev. G. A. Kuhring, who went to England with the 6th Mounted Rifles, is now at the Dardanelles, or at least on his way there. A letter received on Tuesday by J. E. Secord from Mrs. Kuhring conveyed this information. A cable from Rev. Mr. Kuhring said he had left England a week ago. As Rev. Mr. Kuhring's message said nothing to indicate the movement of any body of Canadian troops to the Mediterranean it is presumed he has been assigned to some other command, although there are rumors of the impending transfer of some Canadian units now in England to the Dardanelles.

## STANDARD OIL SHIP RELEASED BY GERMANS

### Taken to Swinemunde by Submarine—Washington Has No Word as to Disposal of Cargo of Petroleum.

Washington, Aug. 10.—The American steamer Llama, one of two Standard Oil ships taken by German submarine to Swinemunde, was released on August 6, according to a despatch to the State Department today from Ambassador Gerard at Berlin. The despatch does not say whether the Llama's cargo of petroleum was sold, seized, or taken with her.

### HOTEL ARRIVALS.

Royal. L. H. Hagar, M. Schwartz, Montreal; W. McKnight, Amherst; E. H. Harvie, New York; W. M. Hodge, Lockport; C. E. Oak, Bangor; J. T. Halliday, Truro; W. G. Murray, H. B. Wilkes, New Glasgow; W. F. Mahon, J. E. Furness, J. P. Carey, Halifax; Miss J. C. Gordon, J. A. Gordon, E. P. Clark, C. Fitzgerald, J. Cripp, W. M. Taylor, wife and two daughters, Boston; Mrs. J. Ward, Miss M. F. Ackerman, Brooklyn; Mrs. R. Searles, Salem, Mass.; F. B. Gerrard and wife, New York; O. S. Crockett, Fredericton; E. M. Weir, Montreal; Mrs. E. A. Smith, St. John's; G. M. Johnson, Quebec; K. M. Mercer, T. Allison, G. Logan, W. J. Stevens, J. Levine, Montreal; W. F. Devlin, J. G. Hudson, Ottawa; W. J. Taylor, Fredericton; Mr. and Mrs. J. B. King, Miss A. Boyce, Miss G. Bayce, C. W. Mitchell, J. H. Mitchell, W. J. Stinson, J. Duncan, Ridgewood; R. S. Kimball, Ipswich; H. J. Smith, Berlin; Miss E. Saul, Mrs. G. Bruck, New York; M. F. Bruce, Natick; E. H. Shepherd, Detroit; Mrs. E. K. Eaton, The Misses Layton, W. B. Rymer, Nova Scotia; L. C. Cox, Lady Cox, British Jamaica; Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Parrington, Boston; J. C. Clark, Miss Clark, D. Clark, St. John's; F. L. Wright, Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. Smith, Ottawa; C. McCormick, G. McCormick, Annapolis; Mrs. W. L. Hulton, N. S. Cook, Mrs. P. G. Macculloch, Mrs. C. R. E. Willes, Bermuda, W. H. Best, Ottawa; O. A. Klovstad, Buffalo; Dr. and Mrs. L. K. Austin, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Fuller, Waterville; P. A. Landry, Dorchester; W. Bremerman, New York; M. P. Ferguson and party, Philadelphia; P. A. Coker, Newbury; J. W. Broderick, J. P. Broderick, Worcester.

### The Dufferin.

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### Prince William.

Geo. E. McKeon and wife, New York City; Leon H. Dillingham and wife, Providence, R. I.; John McCourt, Baltimore, Md.; Rev. J. S. Bailey, do; H. J. Sheldonham and family, Boston; G. F. Campbell and wife, do; H. E. Murthall and wife, do; Flora I. Noyes, Avon, Mass.; Myrtle L. Noyes, do; Mrs. J. W. Power, Yarmouth; Miss Bertha Power, Yarmouth; M. Garfield White and wife, Sussex; Master Vincent White, Miss Meredith White, do; Mrs. T. J. Balfour, Sask; May M. Gordon, Boston; Miss Elsey V. N. Clements, Rothesay.

### REAL ESTATE RECORDS.

St. John County. Executors of Hamilton Cochran to Robert Kirsop, \$800, property at Simmonds. Jonas Howe to L. H. Moody, \$1, property at Musquash. A. H. Millidge to A. B. McIntosh, \$1, property on Rockland Road. F. C. Millidge to A. B. McIntosh, \$1, property on Rockland Road. Amanda and Dennis Murphy to B. L. Holm, \$1, property on Britain street. Kings County. H. C. Brock to Muriel Brock, \$1, property at Rothesay. Alfred Burley to J. P. McAndrews, \$1, property at Westfield. G. L. Humphrey to R. I. Carlous et al, \$100, property at Rothesay. G. E. Mann to Ora E. Mann, \$600, property at Havelock. Mary McKay to W. N. Golder, \$1, property at Kingston. Mary A. Robertson et al to Rothesay Consolidated School, \$3,500, property at Rothesay. Paul Greenway, per mortgage to Mary A. Robertson et al, \$7,500, property at Rothesay.

## Little Benny's Note Book.

By LEE PAPE

Grandpop came to see us again last night, and he was setting in the sitting room talking to pop about the war, and awl of a sudden he said, O, by the way, Willyum, I've made up sevral moor good riddles that maybe you'd like to try to guess. Sure, sure, lets have a gain of checkers, sed pop. Awl rite, but I thavet you sed, sed grandpop. I dont, but I feel as if I cood beet you today, sed pop. You nevver have yet, well, I was telling about those noo riddles, sed grandpop, and pop sed, Wares that checkbord. And he huntid erround and found it and him and grandpop startid to play checkers, and grandpop sed, The ferst riddil is, Wy is a bottil of grape juise like a gum drop.

Its a grate gain, checkers, sed pop. Thats the ferst time I ever herd you say so, well wy is it, sed grandpop. O, I dont no, because of the science attached to it, I sippose, sed pop. Thats simpil, how a bottil of grape juise be like a gum drop because of the science attached to it, sed grandpop. I was speaking about checkers, sed pop, well then, wy it is. Because its not intoxicating, sed grandpop. Hevvlins, sed pop.

Pritty good, heh, heers anuthir wun for you, sed grandpop, wat gos up and down but nevver across. Its yure move, I believe, sed pop. An elevator, sed grandpop, do you want to heer anuthir wun. I cant keep my mind awn the gain and anser riddils, to, thats the ony thing, sed pop.

Lets stop the gain, then, sed grandpop, thares 2 moar riddils. Grate reef, no, sed pop. And him and grandpop keep awn playing checkers till ma calm in and then pop went out and grandpop told the riddil to ma, wun of them beeing Wy is a chicken like a dustir, anser, Awl akount of its fetthirs, and the uthir wun beeing, Wats deiptr than a bottitless well, anser, A bottitless well without a top.

### REMEMBER WHAT THE SOLDIERS

#### IN THE TRENCHES ARE DOING FOR YOU — WHAT ARE YOU DOING FOR THEM?

A sale of fancy work, a concert and a pie social will be held in the Public Hall at Nauwigewauk, N. B., on Thursday, August 12th, 1915, in aid of the Red Cross Society. S. C. Matthews will take part in the concert and auction the pies. Admission free. Silver collection will be taken. Sale will commence at 7.30 p. m. Everyone welcome.

### Indian Cut Himself.

About 7.30 o'clock yesterday morning a squaw gave herself a nasty gash in the left ankle while cutting wood near her camp, handy to Seaside Park. The wound was attended to by Dr. F. H. Neve, who found it necessary to put ten stitches in the gash. The woman is now resting quite comfortably.

### Steamship Items.

S. S. Pretorian, due Quebec 6 o'clock Wednesday evening. S. S. Hesperian reported due Quebec Thursday, Montreal Friday.

### Chipman Hill.

Chipman Hill is ready for traffic. With the exception of the top finishing the road is constructed mainly of old asphalt and other waste material from the streets. The road will make a good drive, it is expected, and Commissioner Potts expresses the hope that teamsters would show their appreciation of the work by helping to protect it. This could be done, the commissioner said, by hauling loads up instead of hauling down on a drag, which simply cuts into and wrecks the facing of the street. On the hill now a horse could haul much more than it could formerly.

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