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**German Potato Bugs.**

(From the Washington Star.)  
"The way Germany prepared for a generation for this war was positively uncanny," said a Congressman. "The German's forty years of military war-preparation is as uncanny as the story of the potato-bugs."  
"On an autumn evening a group of Minnesota farmers sat around a fire in the general store and complained of the potato-bugs ravaging their crops."  
"The pests ate my whole potato crop in two weeks," said one farmer. "They ate my crop in two days, said a second farmer, and then they roosted on the trees to see if I'd plant more."  
"A drummer for a seed-house closed his throat."  
"Gents," he said, "all that's remarkable. Let me tell you, though, what I saw in my own store. I saw a couple of potato-bugs examining the books about a week before planting to see who had bought seed."  
One often hears the question asked, "Why are so many young men wearing glasses nowadays?" Most young people wearing glasses have suffered from some form of Astigmatism, Hyperopia or Myopia. Trouble for which no remedy other than glasses is yet known to man. TRAPNELL, the Eyesight Specialist, takes care of both young and old when glasses are needed.—April 15th.

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**Wins of the "Queen Elizabeth."**  
The 15-inch gun, which is the most powerful piece afloat to-day in any of the world's navies; although it will be outclassed by the 45- and 60-caliber, 18-inch guns which are being built for our latest dreadnoughts. It is 50 feet in length, weighs 35 tons, and with a charge of 330 pounds of cordite it delivers its 1,920-pound shell with a muzzle velocity of 2,360 feet per second and a muzzle energy of \$3,500 tons.  
It will be noted that the velocity, judged by our standards, is low; for our own naval 16-inch gun has been designed for a muzzle velocity of 2,500 foot-seconds. The lower velocity of the British guns was adopted largely with a view to preventing rapid ero-

to the public because of the part which she played in the Dardanelles campaign, when she engaged in a long-range, indirect-fire bombardment of the Turkish forts commanding the Straits.  
The "Warspite," it will be remembered, got into difficulties when she was engaged with the ships of the German fleet in the Battle of Jutland. Her steering gear was jammed, and she circled in toward the German line and was for some time the target for the heavy gun fire of half a dozen German ships. She straightened out the difficulty and resumed her place in the line with surprisingly small damage. Although no particulars as to their armor have been made public, it is certain that these ships must be well covered. The survival of the "Warspite," is sufficient proof of that; for the German rifle was very accurate on that day. The "Queen Elizabeth" is reported to carry 12 inches of armor on the belt, turrets and barbettes.  
The two notable features in the "Queen Elizabeth" are the armament and the speed. In these ships a new type of gun, the 15-inch, 40-caliber piece, first made its appearance. Eight of these are carried, four in two turrets forward and another four aft. The secondary battery consists of 16 12-inch guns, half a dozen anti-aircraft guns, and several 12-pounders. She has four submerged torpedo tubes, firing the 21-inch torpedo.  
The "Queen Elizabeth" has a rated speed of 25 knots, which is remarkably high for a battleship—in fact, at the time these ships were built it practically placed them, so far as speed is concerned, in the battle-cruiser class. They are turbine-driven, and some of the ships, on trial, reached a speed of 28 knots and over. Their high speed stood them in good stead in the Battle of Jutland, but not quite good enough. Could they have made a knot or two more, they would have steamed in column with the British battle-cruisers, and, theoretically, Beatty would have wiped out the battle-cruiser squadron of the Germans.  
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High velocity means high pressure and consequent high temperature of the powder gases, and high temperature means rapid erosion. By lowering the velocity and increasing the weight of the shell, it is possible to obtain at given ranges equal penetration to that obtained by using a lighter shell with higher velocities. The British Cordite, because of its partial content of nitroglycerin, is a much hotter powder than our own all-nitrocellulose powder, and consequently we can obtain higher velocities without a corresponding increase of erosion.  
It is understood that the British have built some 18-inch guns and have installed them on one or more of their latest capital ships. This piece, of course, exceeds anything built or now under construction. Its shell must weigh approximately three thousand pounds and its energy, even if moderate velocities are used, will be enormous. Whether this huge piece will be permanently adopted is yet to be determined.—Scientific American.

**"I Believe They Have Cured Me."**

WHAT NEWTON P. SMITH SAYS OF DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS.  
He Had Previously Tried Doctor's Medicine, Plasters and Liniments for His Sore Back, Without Getting Permanent Results.  
Parker's Ridge, York Co., N.B., April 26th.—(Special).—After suffering for years from pain in the back, Newton P. Smith, a highly-respected citizen of this place, believes that at last he has found a permanent cure through the use of Dodd's Kidney Pills. Asked to make a statement for publication, Mr. Smith said:—  
"I suffered for a number of years with pain in my back. At times I was unable to work. After taking doctor's medicine and using plasters and liniments with but temporary results, I decided to try Dodd's Kidney Pills, which I believe have cured me."  
All through York County you find people who give credit to Dodd's Kidney Pills for a renewed lease of health. They have been tried for all forms of kidney disease, including rheumatism, dropsy, Bright's disease, lumbago, heart disease and diabetes, as well as the milder forms of kidney trouble. Their popularity all over the country is a tribute to the splendid results obtained. If you haven't used them, ask your neighbors about them.

**How the Kaiser Raises Money.**

Some piquant revelations of the Kaiser's efforts to raise money for himself are given by Miss Edith Keen, who spent seven years at the German Court.  
Miss Keen was engaged eight years ago as a dresser to Princess Leopold of Prussia, the German Emperor's sister, and during her service she met many great personages of the Court, including the All-Highest himself. She only returned to England after great difficulty. "You know too much!" she was told.  
In 1908, writes Miss Keen, the Kaiser was getting into financial difficulties. Many of the household accounts had not been paid for some years. The Kaiser had a heavy personal overdraft at his bankers.  
"Ultimately, the Kaiser relieved himself of all his pecuniary embarrassments by the sale of some of the Royal estates at Potsdam.  
"It was at this time that the habit sprang up at the German Court of very wealthy people paying large sums to obtain for their daughters some sort of a position about the Court, either as maid-of-honor or lady-in-waiting to the Empress. I heard that in the season of 1910 four Court appointments brought in £35,000 for the Empress.  
"I was told by the Princess Leopold that one lady paid the German Emperor £10,000 to be allowed to accompany the Kaiser to the British Court on the occasion of the last visit of the Emperor and Empress to Windsor Castle.  
"Royal warrants were sold at high figures, as much as £1,000 being paid by some tradesmen for a warrant, though some of them never, as a matter of fact, got any Royal custom.  
"Invitations to great Court functions and ceremonies could be bought almost by anyone who cared to pay the price for this honor. A thousand pounds was the usual fee for an invitation."  
**Fads and Fashions.**  
Tea color is a new shade. Serge and satin are combined. Skirts are very narrow. Crush girdles are back again. Taffeta coats are lined with flannel. This will be decidedly a silk season. Camel's hair velour is a lovely fabric. Loin is combined with Georgette crepe. Double-faced ribbons are used in lingerie. Satin frocks have touches of wool material.

Watch for the Sign of Paint Purity

**ECONOMY applied with a Paint Brush**

THE great national duty to-day is to "conserve." It's a duty you owe yourself as well as your country. A duty just as applicable to a house, or building, as it is to the things you eat and wear. Buildings, in fact, show so tremendous an increase in cost, that the importance of keeping them protected is apparent to all who know how steel, wood, brick and cement have jumped in price. And the cheapest protection you can give a building is the kind you apply with a brush—PAINT. For true protection, scorn the ineffectual, cheap paints. Use only

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The kind we guarantee to possess as its important base, the above correct formula. This formula, printed on every can, and guaranteed over our President's signature, commits us to this standard. High test as white lead has become, we must use it in the same proportion as heretofore. To use less of it, would necessitate the removal of the guarantee from our cans—and to do that would injure the reputation that these paints have acquired by reason of their superior ingredients. It is by using pure white lead and pure white zinc in such liberal quantities that we have been able to produce a paint that truly excels in covering capacity—and that stands the severe "climate test" of Canada in a way that spells true economy for all who use it.

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**AN APPEAL**

I am addressing this Appeal to all the people of Newfoundland, but especially to those of the Outports.

Your Government have decided to make another special attempt to obtain further recruits for the duties forced upon us by the War. I am anxious to explain to you in simple and strong words why those duties are yours.

In your sea-girt home you have, I know, your own dangers and anxieties to face. As I write this my mind is still full of the appalling disaster to the Flakel. But War you do not realise; you are beyond the sound of the guns which, in the South East corner of England, I have heard day after day breaking in upon the beauty and calmness of the summer air.

That awe-inspiring rumble of the guns which I ask you to imagine—that lurid light on the horizon which I ask you to picture are the signs of a terrible struggle for Right—of a mighty effort to save from ruin, not only France, but every bit of free soil in the world, including this island of which you are so proud. The awful struggle seems to be approaching its climax now and your close kinsmen are in the middle of it.

Some may ask, What is the danger? and it is my purpose to endeavour to make it clear to you.

By some permission of Divine Providence, which we do not understand, a nation of criminals is now attacking all that is just and true in the whole world. Germany has set herself deliberately to violate every law of Right and every principle of Humanity.

Never before in History has a War been planned like this. Hitherto all wars have had some sort of pretext of right or impulse of passion. It has been reserved to the German military party to plot wilfully and wantonly a great crime against the peace of mankind.

And the hypocrisy with which Germany supports the crime makes it still more abominable. As Judas treated the Christ, Germany is treating Civilization. Under appeals to God, Germany masks the utmost malignities of the devil. The German nation to-day knows no Law except that of the pagan, the liar, the ravisher, the murderer. They are a curse let loose on the Earth. And the task demanded of all of us is to fight and conquer this curse just as in our moral life we are bound to fight and conquer Sin. The Cause is a far broader and holier Cause than that which impelled the Crusaders against the Saracens.

We may thank God that the greater nations of the World have realised the justice of the Cause; and I believe that every man in Newfoundland will one day be thankful that he was at least asked to face this question—"Is it not my higher duty to go out and save humanity from destruction?"

Remember that your wives, your children, your cottages, your boats, are in positive danger if the German breaks through France. As he is treating the foolish Russians, so he will treat every nation whom he touches—America, Canada, Newfoundland, are to him mere objectives for his greedy brutality. He is entirely evil, he has no sense of right and no feelings of Mercy.

This mass of incarnate selfishness is held back by the strong arm of the Allies in France. Will any man of British race decline to do all he can to defeat and crush it?

At this moment the need is specially great, for the Germans are now desperate. They begin to realise the truth of that dread decree "He that takes the sword, shall perish with the sword". At no horror will they hesitate if they can but escape the punishment that is their due.

Now on every man and woman among us lies the duty to bear a hand in administering that punishment a duty not only to ourselves but to posterity. If age or health prevent some of us from going they do not prevent us from following the greatest example ever set to mankind and making the sacrifice of that which is dearest to our hearts.

You young men I ask to listen carefully to the appeals which will once more be made to you in the next few weeks. Believe me that the voluntary act of a man, impelled by the high sense of duty, is far nobler than the mere obedience to the provisions of a public enactment.

One special word I say to women. Try to realise the sufferings of women and children wherever the Germans come: think of the little children starved in Belgium and slaughtered in cold blood in Armenia. Let your men folk stand out and protect you, for in helping to defeat the Germans they are protecting the honour and safety of all their dear ones at home.

**G. ALEXANDER HARRIS,**  
Governor and Commander-in-Chief.

Government House, St. John's,  
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