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THE END OF THE WAR.

The greatest war the world has ever known has come to an end, and justice and right have prevailed. It has been proven beyond the suspicion even of a doubt that Germany caused the conflagration; and now her people are reaping the reward of following the leadership of such monsters as the ex-Kaiser and his war-lord advisers.

But in addition to causing the war, Germany, through her rulers, especially her military rulers, has carried on the war in a most detestable manner. Every crime thinkable has been authorized by the German militarists and has been committed. Such names as Cyrus, Alexander, Cæsar, Ivan, Nero, Attila, Napoleon, Alva, etc., grow dim and appear as nothing when placed beside the ex-Kaiser. What the world owes to those who faced the German hordes in the defence of Liberty no words can express. Their eternal monument is the Freedom of the World, the establishment of Truth and Right.

It has been estimated that in all the countries engaged in the war there have been at least 45,000,000 casualties, of which at least 10,000,000 are dead, about an equal number soldiers and sailors and civilians. This is the fruit of one man sowing the earth with dragon's teeth.

It is no longer necessary to recite the awful cruelties inflicted upon those who fell into German hands as prisoners of war. These numerous charges have been proven again and again.

Add to all this the destruction of property and the expenditure of billions upon billions in money. Cause of it all was the dream of world power in a madman's brain. We have on several occasions pointed out the perverted psychology of the ruling German mind This in turn tainted the entire nation.

In the struggle for freedom against great skill and cunning backed up by brute force, we all take the greatest pride in what our own Cana-