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'ECONOMIC CONSEQUENCES OF THE PEACE"

In the last few years we have heard much of Bolshevism. We have seen the mighty Russian Empire collapse and die in the throes of its struggle with this mysterious force: and we now see a new Russia where gether, they have rocked together in approved in victors." Bolshevism is apparently securely enthroned at home, and on the point of being recognized abroad by all civilized powers as the legitimate they may fall together. In this lies successor to the Czar of all the the destructive significance of the Russias. We have seen it spread to Peace of Paris. If the European with conviction" the vital inter-Germany, to Hungary and elsewhere | Civil War is to end with France and | dependence of the European nations where it was not so successful in Italy abusing their momentary to appreciate his further criticism of seizing and retaining the reins of victorious power to destroy Germany | the colossal failure at Paris. power, but where it remains a poten. and Austria-Hungary now prostrate, tial menace to established order. social and economic.

In England, where the overwhelming majority of the population are industrial workers, to read of workmen's meetings cheering for Soviet Russia has become so common as no longer to occasion surprise or comment. And a responsible-or as many believe an irresponsible-Prime Minister openly charges that the whole movement of organized Labor is possessed by the evil spirit of Bolshevism.

Even on this side of the Atlantic we have heard much alarmist talk and an alarmist press campaign about our imminent danger from the same sinister influence. But with the general recognition that this was mere camouflage for capitalistic legislation, press, platform, and pulpit have regained their equanimity.

This latter phase of our education in the new movement is unfortunate inasmuch as it has tended to make us sceptical of Bolshevism as real menace to the established social and version of which would affect us

social and economic order is inevit- Hungary." able unless there be a new Peace

Reading to Washington as financial adviser in 1917, was the chief repre sentative of the British Treasury at the Peace Conference, and a member of the Supreme Economic Council of the Allies and Associated Powers.

Fellow of King's College, Cambridge, editor of the Economic Journal, and has an international reputation

as a writer on economic subjects. And to this compatent observer, to Conference is an open book, the chief agents of Europe's destruction The Big Four at Paris.

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Very few of us," writes Mr. Keynes, "realize with conviction the intensely unusual, unstable, compli- the world except India, and we cated, unreliable, temporary nature bought more from her than from any his holding assize in Irish counties. of the economic organization by other country in the world except which Western Europe has lived for the United States.

the last half century." Though superficially the world velopment of what preceded, its enormous expansion during the last fifty years has really created economic conditions unprecedented in

the world's history. Moved by insane delusion and reckless self-regard," continues our case of some of them supplied a great earth. There seems to be a sort of author, "the German people over. part of the capital needed for their savage glee in the despatches, and turned the foundations on which we own development. Of Germany's in the headlines of newspapers where knows how to restrain itself within all lived and built. But the spokes. pre-Warforeign investments, amount- they are recorded.

Mr. Keynes found it a "strange adjusted accordingly." experience" to visit London occaunconscious, "in continental Europe | terms of Peace. not just a matter of extravagance Europe altogether. A great part of history as the "Pigot Forgery." or 'labor troubles;' but of life and the Continent was sick and dying; death, of starvation and existence, its population was greatly in excess of the fearful convulsions of a dying of the numbers for which a livelicivilization."

Europe. Europe's voiceless tremors ruptured and its food supplies terri- Ireland and their leaders. do not reach her. Europe is apart | bly impaired. and England is not of her flesh and a war, which we in spite of our fices economically stood outside, and crumbling into chaos. they invite their own destruction also, being so deeply and inextricably intertwined with their victims by hidden psychic and economic bonds."

Our author notes the great increase of population in the Central Empires. Germany, which in 1870 had 40,000,000, had increased to 50,-000,000 in 1892, and by June 30th, population required a far-reaching Paris : transformation of economic structtransformed herself into a vast complicated industrial machine, dependent for its working on the by keeping it going could she give her people work at home and buy

subsistence from abroad. Austria-Hungary and European Russia also increased enormously in population in recent years; the former from 40,000,000 in 1890 to of 43,000,000 tons of coal annually 50,000,000 at the out-break of the economic order of Europe, the sub- 100,000,000 in 1890 to 150,000,000 in

1914. And that all Europe is on the brink lived within the three Empires of to pay, she cannot recover, and is the abvest that the subversion of Russia. Germany, and Austria. headed irremediably toward bankof the abyss, that the subversion of Russia, Germany, and Austria-

"Round Germany as a central sup-Treaty is the reasoned conviction of port the rest of the European the author of "The Economic Conse- economic system grouped itself, and Austria Hungary together not on the prosperity and enterprise of And this author is not an emissary Germany the prosperity of the rest of Lenin or an agent of the Kaiser. of the Continent mainly depended. John Maynard Keynes has been since The increasing pace of Germany in a compact territory, lay the milipossible. 1906 in the British Civil Service. gave her neighbors an outlet for During the War he was in charge of their products, in exchange for which British financial relations with the the enterprise of the German mer-Allied Powers, accompanied Lord chant supplied them with their chief requirements at a low price.

"The statistics of the economic interdependence of Germany and her neighbors are overwhelming. Ger- the Paris paper says: many was the best customer of Rusthe Allies and Associated Powers.

He is, we are further informed, a Switzerland, Italy, and Austria-Hunof her territorial losses even if we gary; she was the second best customer of Great Britain, Sweden, and Denmark : and the third best customer of France. She was the largest source of supply to Russia, whom the workings of the Peace Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Holland, Switzerland, Italy, Austria-Hungary, Roumania and Bulgaria: and the were not Lenin and Trotsky but largest source of supply to Great Britain, Belgium and France. In our own case we sent more exports to Germany than to any other country in

"There was no European country trade of the last half century did not do more than a quarter of where we rarely read of such an the case of Russia, Austria-Hungary, crimeless Ireland. and Holland the proportion was far greater.

men of the French and British ing in all to about \$6,250,000,000, not These murders, without a scintilla peoples have run the risk of com- far short of \$2,500,000,000, was in- of proof, are always attributed to pleting the ruin, which Germany vested in Russia, Austria-Hungary, Sinn Fein. peoples can employ themselves and thus fell into the German industrial England now with great self-gratula

These are some of the main pre-

"It was the task of the Peace Conand Holland, Russia and Rou. establish life and to heal wounds. mania and Poland, throb together, and These tasks were dictated as much their structure and civilization are by prudence as by the magnanimity nized as having broken down, essentially one. They flourish to which the wisdom of antiquity

This we shall reserve for another

A despatch from Paris to the New the worst prognosis of Maynard right of self-government, which move- matter. The vaudeville stage is Keynes, whose book was written last Fall.

Paris, March 31.-The belief that Germany is rushing headlong to a Bolshevist debacle, which the French Socialist press has been alone in maintaining, today finds expression in L'Echo de Paris.

The correspondent then quotas the 1914, to 68,000,000. To support this Berlin representative of L'Echo de

"Germany is moving inevitably ure. "From being agricultural and toward a catastrophe and she has mainly self - supporting, Germany no man of genius to change the course of events. The catastrophe will come because, though Germany can no longer feed more than equipoise of many factors outside Ger. 52,000 000, the Rhinelands included, many as well as within." And only after losing by the treaty 6,000,000 nothing of 900,000 Russian agricultural workers.

The rate of her exchange forbids her to buy food abroad. The loss of Silesia, which appears certain and imminent, foretokens a complete unset of her industry by depriving her

She is hopelessly doomed to War; and Russia in Europe from chacs. The present of 100,000,000 marks would not save the country from perishing under a debt of 300,000,000,000 marks, and with an "Not far short of 300,000,000 indemnity of 1,200,000,000,000 marks ruptcy and bloody disorder."

the War the population of Germany done to death. only substantially exceeded that of

tary strength of the Central Powers. But these same numbers-for affairs. even the War has not appreciably diminished them-if deprived of the means of life, remain a hardly less

danger to European order." And the Berlin correspondent of

made her a present of her debt, who must drag her chains until death because she cannot feed more than 35,000,000 of her inhabitants, this Germany still has something to hope and work for-her revenge. Already she is preparing to enslave Europe in co-operation with Russia.'

MURDER IN IRELAND The world used to read in the newspapers of judge after judge in Ireland being presented with a pair of white gloves on the occasion of Again and again this happened-in Ireland. The time - honored little ceremony meant that there were no except those west of Germany which criminal cases to be heard. Elsetheir total trade with her; and in occurrence. But it was common in

Now policemen are murdered. And every time it happens the fact is "Germany not only furnished flashed through the air and under these countries with trade but in the the sea to the uttermost ends of the

began, by a Peace which, if carried Bulgaria, Roumania and Turkey. It is an old game. O'Connell was into effect, must impair still further. And by the system of peaceful "pene- branded as a miserable cut-throat. when it might have restored, the tration" she gave these countries not Parnell, Redmond, Dillon, O'Brien delicate, complicated organization, only capital, but, what they needed and scores of others were thrown already shaken and broken by war, hardly less, organization. The into prison and hounded as seditious through which alone the European whole of Europe east of the Rhine rebels for advocating the things that orbit, and its economic life was tion takes the credit for granting. Irishmen remember that concessions were made only after the most sionally during the Conference at liminary considerations which May. virulent and unscrupulous efforts Paris. England did not "realize in nard Keynes insists on taking into failed to attach to their names the the least that an age is over." But account in the economic system of stigma of murder. The greatest of though England and America might be Europe before considering the actual English newspapers prostituted its reputation and its columns in that the earth heaves and no one but is | "The War had so shaken this sys- effort. But the carefully concocted aware of the rumblings. There it is tem as to endanger the life of and costly evidence is known in

Today the owner of The Times controls many papers and worldencircling news agencies. They are hood was available; its organization all engaged at the old dirty game-"England still stands outside was destroyed, its transport system to brand as criminals the people of

In any other country in the world if the police were utterly impotent body. But Europe is solid with her- ference to honor engagements and to to discover criminals the police would self. France, Germany, Italy, Austria satisfy justice; but not less to re- be considered unfit for the duties they fail to discharge. The administration of justice would be recog-

But in Ireland no disgrace attaches to government or its agents. The But the Nero's at Paris fiddled world's sympathy is asked for incomenormous contributions and sacri. while European civilization was petence such as the world has never before heard of.

> time; it is necessary to "realize crime in Ireland redound? What encourage in others, or practice themobject does it serve?

> > of the Irish Government : but the stock-in-trade, which is lust, news agencies make it appear to right-thinking people.

That is the object which murder minded women, give it a set-back. in Ireland serves. It injures the cause of Sinn Fein:

it defames the patriot effort.

scrupulous agents.

mate aspirations of a generous na- inwardly. the common Irish belief that crim-

the stigma of heartless crime. the globe, there is silence, sinister and sets. and calculated silence, with regard

the United States, but was about the "crimes by means of the law" crease. Sensuousness is on the equal to that of the whole of North (we quote Lloyd George again) are increase. There was never a time America. In these numbers, situated deliberately suppressed whenever when we could less afford to be

The Daily Herald (London, Eng.) in Ireland :

There has long been a suspicionand more than a suspicion—that an influential group in Dublin Castle is working deliberately to provoke a rising. Its calculation is that an armed rising and its bloody suppression would clear the air, would end the quietness for another generation. The great safeguard against any

attempt to provoke such a rising is were bound to fight them. An artithe fine discipline of the young men ficial code of "henor" was put in of Ireland. With very few excep. place of the moral law, and Catholics tions they have kept themselves wonderfully in hand under almost intolerable provocation. This, let me add, must be laid to the credit of the drunk was looked upon as a light Toronto Globs. Is not that state. as a child. volunteers. It is the organisation matter. In vain the Church taught and discipline of this "illegal" force that has saved the country from far worse bloodshed than that of Easter week, and has, by this, deprived the "Panjab party" of excuses for the savage repression of which they dream

To attain so great an end, the agents of imperialism must not be too scrupulous.

The detection and punishment of murderers in Ireland would be of the highest order of service to the Irish

actions, that is the right way to do good, and to acquire the reputation of a wise and upright mind, which due limite.'

THE VAUDEVILLE STAGE BY THE OBSERVER

It is impossible to see without concern, large audiences of young people sit down in theatres weekly, twice a week, or oftener, to listen to the stage jokes. The stock topic for stage jest is the sexual relations.

It matters not how good and clean a girl or a boy may be, let them sit down and listen to jokes on impurity week after week, and they will at last, and bafore very long, relax their attitude towards impurity. I do not say they will rush into acts of sin, but what they will do is bad enough : they will think less sternly of sexual sin; begin to speak of it as "sport"; make little of a dirty story, or of a suggestive situation.

This they will do; and this they are doing. And Catholic boys and girls are doing it; and Catholic married people who should be an example and a strength to younger people, sit down in theatres, amongst the young people to whom they are supposed to give example, and laugh at smutty jokes, and say afterwards: Oh, it's a little off color, of course; our grandmothers would have fainted, but one must not be too fussy."

Times are changed, they think, They forget that to the devil and for his purposes, times never change and that his purpose is the same now that it has always been : and that To whose discredit does all the they are playing his game when they selver, a loose attitude, in any degree It should redound to the discredit | whatever, towards the devil's main

manipulation of the newspapers and It is about time for the Catholic women of Canada, and the Catholic York Times the other day confirms discredit the Irish movement for the girls, to take thought about this ment should thereby forfeit the getting bolder and bolder; and it will active sympathy and support of all go on increasing its boldness until public opinion, voiced by pure-

When a gale of laughter sweeps over an audience at a sensual, suggestive story or joke, one can Now the people of Ireland and imagine the laughter of Satan and their leaders-even those who are his imps. What can better please out of jail-are not fools. Neither the devil than to see a young girl, are the Irish Government or its un- yet pure in conduct, laughing at a sensual story or joke? If he can So though some police murders make her do that often enough, he may be "legal wrong, lawless jus- will have brought her to the point tice," as Lloyd George once described where she will not wait to laugh till them; may be the result of what at some itinerant jester makes a dirty the same time he described as "baton | joke for her to laugh at; soon, only and bayonet rule" and the "attempt too soon, she will think of matters peasants out of 17,000,000, to say to repress by martial law the legiti- for herself, and chuckle over them

tion"; still there is good ground for The races of barbarians who were converted to Christianity by the inals are granted immunity for the Church, were not in one day won service they render those who would away from their passions and lustful fasten on the Irish popular leaders offences. They are not won back to them in a day. The devil knows his Then there are other murders in business. He knows that if the Ireland. Military murders and horror of lust which our grandparpolice murders. These can not all ents and parents felt, can be lessened be hidden. But while the murder of in us, we shall plunge into sinful a policeman is told in all quarters of excesses as surely as the sun rises

The question of sexual sin admits Maynard Keynes wrote: "Before to the scores of civilians brutally of no compromise. Familiarity with not be paid for. Man that is born the war the population of Germany done to death.

The question of sexual sin admits not be paid for. Man that is born to woman, lame from his mother's the thought of it breeds not corn. the thought of it breeds, not con-The "crimes against the law" are tempt, but toleration. Right now, given the widest possible publicity: | toleration is decidedly on the inlenient in our attitude towards That is a significant condition of sexual sin; and it is at this very time that our young people are being brought by constant familiarity publishes this from its correspondent | with the idea of sexual sin to look on it as venial and as humorous rather

than serious. There was once a practice for men to fight duels. The Church taught that it was gravely sinful, and that killing in a duel was murder. Her teaching was disregarded, and men tension that it is finding intolerable, who were in all else good Catholics and would cow the country into thought that not only were they justified in fighting duels, but that they

fought dusls. In a previous generation, to get teaching was not taken seriously. nothing of it.

And the time is coming, and for many it has arrived, when Catholics cannot be depended on to look upon sexual sin as a grave matter.

they will sin in thought, if not in outgrown such leading strings. act, and confess, and sin again ; but they will retain their new, loose, sin will go on.

This may seem a gloomy forecast. of the young in the theatres when counterfeit five-dollar bill for fifteen soon be with Jesus Christ." Pro-

speak no evil. at; and reticence is an essential safe- it? The general public will await guard to modesty. Human nature developments with much interest. cannot be depended upon. It is more than dangerous to rub shoulders with the devil; it is fatal. Parity of thought cannot continue where dirt is permitted to present thought is relaxed.

ent amused toleration of the filthy suggestion must cease, or we shall have impurity on a great and general scale, even in this present generation.

SOCIAL RECONSTRUCTION THROUGH CATHOLICITY

The first miracle recorded in the annals of Christianity is strickingly typical of the extraordinary power and supernatural influence committed by God, for the good of man,

up, stood, and walked."

great war without its train of suffer. | popularity. ing. But the suffering into which the whole human race has been plunged through the last War seems intellectual pride displayed in the to have had no parallel in the human book and its calm assumption of story, and the greatest suffering has superior personality, the "Reminisbeen that of the small and the cences" is a profoundly interesting powerless. And it must needs be book because of the glimpses it womb, needs the saying grace of resentment, but this must be taken God : Catholicity alone can save as a matter of course in snything mankind, Law-makers should think emanating from the author. For, they shall have recognized that the Arnold, and son, therefore, of the Errors," Dsc. 28th, 1878.)

NOTES AND COMMENTS any Governor-General the British whatever his intellectual audacity. Government appoints," avers the was in matters of faith as simple ment rather out of accord with the that it was a grave matter; her present boasted status of Canada as a nation, not to speak of the Globe's as for others," writes Mrs. Ward, "lay Catholics got drunk and thought historic attitude to Downing Street? in the contrast between Lord Acton's Suppose, for example, that Sir Catholicism and the universality of Edward Carson were appointed; his learning; and again, between what What, ther, would the Globe say? his death revealed of the fervor and We much mistake the temper of the simplicity of his Catholic faith, and Canadian people if in this as in other | the passion of his Liberal creed . . . If they get into that frame of mind, respects they have not long since He died a devout member of the

point of view, just as they did about in the daily papers a Government doubt either of Catholic doctrine or duelling and about intoxication. official of Brantford is making merry of the supernatural mission of the "Few words and many good The Church may thunder, but the over a recept ascapade of his in the Catholic Church; and it was to a He boasts how during a recent visit bed that he said with calm and But look about you; watch the faces to the United States he purchased a tender faith: 'My child, you will

the dirty joke comes on. Hear their cents, which on his return to Brantlaughter; and is not the laughter of ford he passed to a boot-legger in the young at lustful allusions a treat payment for a crock of whiskey. It for the devil? Watch a modern ball. doesn't seem to have occurred to the See the sensuousness of the method simple soul of this Government offiof dancing. Note the reception cial that in purchasing the counterwhich young rouss get from Catholic feit and uttering the same he was girls. Listen to the bold talk of guilty of two separate and distinct sport" and "fun," in which young criminal actions, and that by the people indulge. Consider the songs | illicit purchase of the whickey he for that are sung by lips which should the third time put himself on the wrong side of the law. The question The barriers are being let down. therefore automatically arises; what Reticence is beginning to be laughed is the Government going to do about

ON THE Saturday preceding Holy Week the Sunday sermon advertise. ments in the metropolitan dailies were especially conspicuous for their itself to the mind in pleasing and allusions to Palm Sunday and "Pasattractive form. Purity of conduct sion" Week, meaning thereby Holy cannot continue where purity of Week. This was particularly noticeable in those of the Presbyterian and Either the present tendency Methodist persuasions. It may pertowards laxity of thought, the pres haps help to a realization of the rapidity of change in these changing times that in the denominations mentioned a generation ago any such recognition of Lent or Passiontide would have been regarded as "rank Popery." It would be pleasant to think that the change indicated any real change of heart in this respect. Unhappily, however, circumstances forbid regarding any other than Dame Fashion as the arbitress.

THE RECENT death of Mrs. Humto the Church of His son. It were phrey Ward gives renewed interest well for the world and its statesmen to her "Reminiscences," published and sociologists to give it thought. about a year ago. Mrs. Ward is The "Acts" tell us that Peter and known chiefly to the reading public John had gone up into the temple to as the author of several volumes of pray. "And a certain man who was iconoclastic fiction, beginning with lame from his mother's womb, was the (at the time) much-talked of and carried: whom they laid every day much advertised, but now practically at the gate of the temple, which is forgotten "Robert Elsmere." This called Beautiful, that he might ask novel owed its ephemeral popularity alms of them that went into the to, in the first place, Mr. Gladstone's temple. He, when he had seen elaborate review in the Nineteenth Peter and John about to go into the Century, which laid an altogether temple, asked to receive an alms. undue stress upon its importance as But Peter, with John fastening his to its bearing upon religious belief; eyes upon him, said: 'Look upon and secondly, to the book's glorifius!' And he looked earnestly upon cation of the German school of them, hoping he should receive rationalism, which had so great something of them. But Peter said: vogue in England before the War. 'Silver and gold I have none; but It is fashionable to decry everything what I have, I give thee: in the German now, but the fact remains name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, that for several generations right arise, and walk! And taking him down to the outbreak of war in by the right hand, he lifted him up, August, 1914, no Protestant clerical and forthwith his feet and soles education was considered complete received strength, and he leaping without a strong infusion of German Can a "higher criticism." To this cult The world today is like the lame Mrs. Ward's novel unmistakably beggar. Misery is the camp follower catered, hence with the proper of all wars. There never has been a amount of advertising, its pre-War

NOTWITHSTANDING THE degree of something more than "gold and affords of interesting people of a past silver" to bring relief: misery can- generation. Catholic readers will well on the first social achievement | though Mrs. Ward was the daughter of the Church and associate it with of a Catholic convert, (Thomas the teachings of Leo XIII: "When Arnold, younger brother of Matthew

Church of Christ is possessed of famous Master of Rugby) she seems a power to stave off the pest of to have imbibed scarcely any Socialism, too mighty to be found sympathy whatever for things Cathin human enactments or in the olic. Her friendship with and strong hand of the civil power or almiration for Lord Acton is perhaps in military force, let them re-establan exception : but the fact that Lord lish that Church in the condition Actor was an extremely candid critic and liberty needed in order to be of his own Church may possibly in able to exercise her most salutary a measure account for that admirinfluence for the good of society." ation. Be that as it may, we have (Leo XIII., "Concerning Modern nevertheless to give Mrs. Ward credit for her courageous admission of the intellectual honesty and simple faith of this great Catholic scholar and statesman. For, as we know "OTTAWA WILL, of course, accept from other sources, Lord Acton,

"THE PERPETUAL attraction for me Roman Church in which he was born; after his death it was revealed ACCORDING TO a "special despatch" that he had never felt a serious "green goods" and bootlegging line. dearly-loved daughter on her death-