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NEVER has journalism been confronted with a war that so taxed the resources of the press and at the same time gave it relatively so little from which to construct interesting stories. This is the first great war ever waged without military correspondents. England has several men who might try to replace the late lamented G. W. Stevens, who wrote such remarkable war letters from Ladysmith to a London journal. The United States has a few that might rival the late Stephen Crane, who constructed such a vivid imaginary picture of the American Civil War. Even in Canada there are a few writers who expected to be sent to the front with the Canadian troops.

But the colour and feature service of the special correspondent near the firing line is completely cut out of this war. The world must be satisfied with syndicated news. Readers have no recourse but to depend upon the services of the weekly paper, which has time to sift all things, to arrange its matter, and to give colour where it belongs. This issue of the Courier is our first frank treatment of the war as a world-wide topic, obliterating everything else. It contains nothing but information which is absolutely authentic, presented from as many angles as possible. It contains no pictures but those most carefully chosen to illustrate the outstanding topic of the war. And it gives the war material a sane, orderly treatment which, in face of such a profound disturbance of everything under the sun, is now one of the necessities of life.



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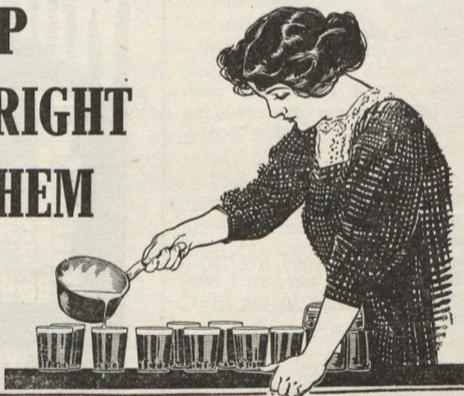
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