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Food is a General Problem.

With the appointment of a food minister or food controller, the government has powers to regulate prices, to stop speculation, to promote production, to prevent hoarding, to take care of wasteful tendencies, and to attend to fair and just distribution of supplies.

We have been unaccountably slow and negligent of the vital interests of the country. It is not yet too late to make our disposition to make up for lost time, nor even to begin to do what all other nations consider of prime importance.

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The New York Tribune, in an article entitled, "The Brutal Truth," warns people not to be led into the error of believing that the war is nearly over because the French and British are making advances towards the German lines.

Russia Places Freedom Before Peace.

There have been a series of sensations for nervous people in the news from Petrograd during the past week. Many expected some kind of anarchic counter-revolution, the idea that Russia is a semi-anarchic country, liable at any moment to fly off the handle and do mad things, being widely prevalent.

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"T-A-K-E CARE!"

Mr. Balfour in the House of Representatives.

When the greatest of the present generation of the Cecils appeared in the house of representatives of the United States, the most significant event in the history of democracy attained a picturesque setting which attracted the gaze of the whole continent.

Mr. Balfour, in his address, rose to the occasion, and, with admirable brevity, touched upon the necessary notes of courtesy and ceremonial, but pierced to the heart of the situation in his reference to Germany.

The benefit, both to Britain and the United States, of a better understanding arising out of the aims of each, and of their essential spirit, will be enormous. Each nation may learn from the other, also, that names and forms mean little as compared with the forces that underlie them.

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"Russia, at least, temporarily out of the war, for a time, at least, of her resources, Italy still incapable of enduring an attack organized by the German high command such as destroyed Rumania and almost captured Verdun; Great Britain struggling with a submarine blockade not yet mastered and becoming more serious."

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CANADA AND U.S. TO ACT AS UNIT

Food Prices to Be Regulated and Agricultural Labor Co-ordinated.

MEN FOR HARVESTING

Sir George Foster Tells of Plans Discussed to Solve Problems.

By a Staff Reporter. Ottawa, May 6.—The regulation of food prices, the co-ordination of agricultural labor, the stimulation of food production and the shipping problem as affected by submarine activity were the subjects in which Canada was specially interested at the allied war conference at Washington, and upon which there will be co-operation between Canada and the United States.

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