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RULE BRITANNIA

By R. Winn.

"Rule Britannia, Britannia rules the waves, Britons never, never, never will be slaves."

Some patriotic pinhead set the above words to music, and wherever there is a gathering of soldiers or a foyal pow-wow of any sort this idiotic gibberish may be heard, ac-companied by the fiendish air blared forth by brass bands.

forth by brass bands. It has ever been "rule" with Brit-annia. Not satisfied with a rich little island, she sent her sons abroad and they shot and sabred and alew inoffensive citizens of other countries, and ran the union jack to the poles of every country they could possibly get their hands on \rightarrow and hold.

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"Izzy the Painter" has been a pro-fessional firebug of New York. Dur-ing the last two years he has set over fifty fires. He was hired to commit arson by persons who want ed to get insurance on worthless stock. He was the legitimate out come of the profit system.

There were fifteen thousand suicid-es last year in the U. S. In Canada we make attempting to kill ones self a crime punishable by two years im-prisonment. Is not that ridiculous, Y We keep a system in force which robs the many and keeps them in poverty, then we punish those rendered so de-sperate as to try and do away with themselves.

abroad and they shot and sabred and slew inoffensive citizens of other the poles of every country they could possibly get their hands on - and hold. Tapitalists of Britain pick a quar-rel with another country which has anable possessions they covet. Their kept press befuddles the brains of the common people with wild mouthings about the empire being in danger, Rule Britannia is prompted, and away goes another horde of uniformed savages to win another bittle Britannia's gouldier servedor

little patch of red for the empire's map. While Britannia's soldiers are chas ing the benighted heathen of a far-off land away up into their native hills and devastating their country gener ally (with the exception of diamond mines, or other things that can be turned into profit for the capitalists are having a whale of a time at home. I'ving on the best of a very thing. The stockholders in the man-ufactories of the munitions of war sending out shiploads of rifles and bullets to slaughter the enemy with; also rifles and bullets for the

are reaping a harvest, for they are sending out shiploads of rifles and bullets to slaughter the enemy with is or rifles and bullets for the enemy to use on the silly British tommies who are suffering the horrors of war in the interests of the bloodsucking parasites at home. These vampires tannia among the whole bunch. Another bunch of capitalists are fhuckling in fiendish glee over the fact that when the war is over they assets of another country. What care they of the misery, starvation and caset asued by the war f Do they grieve when a regiment returns home

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POWER OF JUDGES

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THE DAY IS COMING

By John McFarlane, Dutton, Ont

Come hither, lads, and harken, for a tale there is to tell Of the wonderful days a-coming, when all shall be better and well. There are more than one in a thousand in the days that are yet to come Shall have some hope of the morrow, some joy of the ancient home.

For then, laugh not, but listen to this strange tale of mine-All folk that are in Canada, shall dwell in great peace of mind. Then a man shall work, and be-think, and rejoice in deeds of his hand, Nor yet come home in the even too faint and weary to stand.

Men in that time a-coming shall work and have no fear For to-morrow's lack of earning, and the hungry wolf a-near. I tell you this for a wonder, that no man then shall be glad Of his fellow's fall and mishap to snatch at the work he had.

For that which the worker winneth shall then be his indeed. Nor shall half be reaped for nothing by him that soweth no seed. O strange, new, wonderful justice ! But for whom shall we gather the gain ? For ourselves, and for each of our fellows, and no hand shall labor in

vain. Then all mine and all thine shall be ours, and no more shall any man

crave For riches that serve for nothing but to fetter a friend for a slave. And what wealth shall then be left us, when none shall gather gold To buy his friend in the market, and pinch and bind the sold ?

Nay, what save the lovely city, and the little house on the hill. And the wastes and the woodland beauty, and the happy fields we till. And the homes of peace and laughter when hath ended the reign of spoil And the wise men seeking out marvels to lighten the common toil.

THE PAROLE SYSTEM

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insignificant. The Moose Jaw, Sask., Times pub-lishes a little article from Cotton's running down the Tories and says Cotton's publishes some good things once in a while, but that it knocks, knocks, knocks. The Times wants to know why Socialists and Laborites do not support their friends the Lib-erals and help them enact.such mea-sures as the Lemieux Conciliation Act. Under that act two wagework-ers of Porcupine, Ont., have been fin-ed \$500 or three months in jail for advising their fellow workers to re-fuse to sell their labor power to the masters. The Liberals are as great enemies to the workers as are the. Tories, only they are a little bit more oily. The Hon A. P. McNab. Minister of

The Hon, A. P. McNab, Minister of Public Works in the Saskatchewan government, declares that the new clause in the Bank Act which allows farmers to borrow from the banks farmers to borrow from the banks on the security of their grain and cattle will not help the farmers any but will simply give the bankers a bigger strangle hold on the farmers. The banks have been lending money, accepting the farmer's note. Now the banksr will get the farmer's grain also in his power, and this new clause has been slipped in for the benefit of the banks. Even the pre-tended reforms granted by our cap-italist politicians are such as to make the labor skinners rise up and call them blessed. Miss S. M. Franklin. Secretary of

make the labor skinners rise up and call them blessed. Miss S. M. Franklin, Secretary of the U. S. National Woman's Trade Union League, and Editor of Life or Homer & Dansmuir Sta., at 8 p.m. and Labor, after a thorough investi-faction declares that poverty breeds the minimum wages upon which as frespecting girl or woman can self respecting girl or woman can wanced women are demanding that the minimum wages upon which as a cover B. C. 215 **Victoria** B.C., 200 **Victor**

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BRITISH Columbia Executive S.D.P. of C., meets in Nanaimo, (Wharf Street) above Beatile & Hopkins. Regular meet-ing first Sunday in month at 12.39 noon. Routine business third Sunday in month at 3 o'clock. A. Jordan, Prov. Sec. Box 410, Napaimo, B.C.-230.

These are the real Britons meant in the song. They never have been alayes, and do not intend to be. As for the workers, they have always been alayes, and the aristocrats will sense to it that they will continue to be. If ever a country possessed more alayes, and the aristocrats will sense to the square mile, and ground those slaves, both male and female more mercilesly than have the pararises of England, than that country has not yet been heard of.
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and them alone. Fool Britannia 1 For the slaves of the land and they so degradation, and they carry out sow-but not reap. Under the present system it is the easiest thing imaginable to become there our eminent financiers cannot become one. Book about the transmit is the construction of the states on the way hard not to become one. Book about the transmit is the construction of the states on the way hard not to become one. Book about the transmit is the construction of the states on the way hard not to become one. Book about the transmit is the construction of the states on the way hard not to become one. Book about the transmit is the construction of the states on the way hard not to become one. Book about the transmit is the construction of the states on the way hard not to become one. Book about the transmit is the construction of the transm

For all these shall be ours and all men's, nor shall any lack a share Of the toil and the gain of living in the days when the world grows fair. Why, then, and for what are we waiting ? These are the words to speak,— what is the foeman but the dream-strong wakened and weak ?

weak 7 O why, and for what are we waiting ¶ while our brothers droop and die, And on every wind of the heavens a wasted life goes by ¶ How long shall they reproach us where crowd on crowd they dwell, Poör ghosts of the wicked city, the gold-crushed, hungry hell ¶

Through squalid life they labored ; in sordid grief they died— Those sons of a mighty mother, those sons of Britain's pride. They are gone ; there is none can undo it, nor save our souls from the curse ;

But many a million cometh, and shall they be better or worse ?

It is we must answer and hasten, and open wide the door For the rich man's hurrying terror, and the slow-foot hope of the py Yea, the voiceless laugh of the wretched, and their unlearned discont We must give it voice and wisdom till the waiting tide be spent.

Come, then, since all things call us, the living and the dead, And o'er the weltering tangle a glimmering light is shed. Come, then, let us cast off fooling, and put by ease and rest, For the cause alone is worthy till the good days bring the be

Come, join in the only battle wherein no man can fail, Where whose faileth and dieth yet his deed shall still prevail. Ah! Come, cast off all fooling; for this, at least, we know: That the Dawn and the Day is coming, and forth the banners go.

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