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**GERMANY AND DEMOCRATIC FREEDOM**

It is well to bear in mind that there has never been any hard or stern struggle for democracy: freedom in the history of Prussia or of the German Empire. True, in 1848, there was an outbreak of liberalism in Prussia, in response to, and occasioned by, the outbreak of democratic forces elsewhere in Europe. The liberals among them—Karl Schlegel, and many other able men—were forced to flee to America, where they played a great role in the fight for freedom in 1848. Since that day, however, democracy has made little or no progress in the several German States, or in the Empire as a whole. True, some brave German voices have been heard in Germany and in neutral countries since the outbreak of hostilities, expressing abhorrence of Prussianism and all its works—among these that of Leibknecht, Dr. Muelhon, the author of "J. Accuse," and sundry others. But the millions composing the proletariat have gone their accustomed way. How long will it last asks Mr. W. W. Stanson, in an article in the Montreal Journal of Commerce.

It is interesting to observe the strength of the anti-monarchical movement in Germany in the days preceding the war. It manifested itself in the Socialists withdrawing themselves from the Reichstag when cheers were given for the Emperor; in their refusal to support the annual budget; in their non-appearance at state functions. These were gestures, however and nothing more. What is more significant is that the Socialists played a big part on the main committees of Parliament; and that they gave brilliant and prominent leaders to municipal life. They were indeed, members of His Majesty's "Loyal Opposition." They appeared on school commissions, formulated industrial and social legislation, and made their influence felt in a conservative and constructive way everywhere.

What they have stood for and what they have demanded appears moderate enough to the democracies of Canada and the United States. They have advocated ministerial responsibility to Parliament; suffrage reforms in Prussia; redistribution of the electoral districts for the Reichstag where the one man, one vote, policy might be made real; the disestablishment of the Lutheran Church; national free schools; the displacement of the army by the militia system; the introduction and extension of direct taxation; and a large control of national industries by labor. Aside from this debatable last point the average Canadian or American would find nothing verging upon the revolutionary either in the ideas or the objects of the German Socialists.

It must be remembered, however, that it was the effort to "write the objects enumerated from a dictatorial monarchy which led to what must be regarded as a modest program. Before the war the supreme executive was vested in the Kaiser, who controlled the combined administration and organization of all the German states. That era has passed and the aspirations of democracy can now have fuller play than its most ardent adherents ever anticipated. The great danger of course will be going to the extreme of Bolshevism; a movement based upon a spurious and menacing foundation with anarchism and murder as the handmaidens.

**THE ENGLISH SPEAKING UNION.**

One of the important movements of the day in English-speaking circles is known in Great Britain as "The English-Speaking Union"—an organization designed to draw together in the bond of comradeship the English-speaking peoples of the world. Its birthday was July 4th of this year.

As to its aims, it may be explained that it seeks to increase the knowledge of one another possessed by the English-speaking peoples. The Union wants no formal alliances; it has nothing to do with governments. It is merely in the field to promote good fellowship among the democracies of the world within the prescribed circle.

In their common language, common sympathies, common traditions and common ideals, it is pointed out, the English-speaking peoples possess a great common heritage, which nothing can alter. The 2,000 miles of unarmed frontier existing between the United States and Canada is an outward symbol of the relationship

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Barker was the unanimous choice of the members.  
 Mr. William Marshall has purchased the property of Mrs. A. C. Robinson, Charlotte street.  
 Word has been received in town of the death of a former Parisian, in the person of Miss Jane Murray, daughter of the late Rev. George Murray, which occurred at New Westminster, B.C. Eleven years ago the deceased left Paris to make her home at Vancouver, B.C. The late Miss Murray was in her 71st year, and was well known to many of the older residents in town, who will regret to learn of her demise.

Yesterday the final returns of the Red Cross society showed that \$1,700 had been collected, which will be spent on Christmas parcels for overseas and Red Cross work.

The Red Cross workers of the Methodist church held a very successful rummage sale on Saturday, and about \$140 was realized which will help the ladies carry on their work for the winter months.

The Paris Red Cross and Patriotic league acknowledge with thanks the following donations from the Falkland Women's Institute: 13 flannel shirts, 5 dozen towels, 14 suits of pyjamas and \$5.00 from Mr. Webber.

The funeral of the late Bessie Murty, beloved wife of P. Pigeon, of Chicago, Ill. took place this morning to the B.C. cemetery, from the G.I.R. station. The late Mrs. Pigeon will be remembered by the older residents of town, as in her younger days she was a very talented singer. Death was due to pneumonia.

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**Your Problems Solved??**

By Rev. T. S. Linscott, D.D.  
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Dr. Linscott in this column will help you solve your heart problems, religious, marital, social, financial and every other anxious care that perplexes you. If a personal answer is required, enclose a five cent stamp. No names will be published. If you prefer, sign your initials only, or use a pseudonym.

The Vibration Theory—"A School Boy" wants to know about "The Vibration Theory." Scientists tell us that seemingly "motionless" and "inert" matter is alive and every particle of it is in a state of intense vibration. The Atom of former times is now a little universe with numberless "ions" or "points of force" moving with great velocity. "Ions," "atoms," "corpuscles" all vibrate with varying velocities. A knowledge of these facts and the relation of particles and "organisms" vibrating at different velocities to each other, and the resultant attraction and repulsion, has a very direct bearing upon health, happiness and success.

The Problem of Happiness—"A Philosopher" inquires, "Are rich people happier than their poorer neighbors?" They are not one whit happier except they are also rich in faith and in good works. Riches cannot bring happiness. I am intimately acquainted with some who have been both rich and poor and their testimony bears out my present statement. There are a host of people now rich, who enjoy much less happiness than when they were poor.

**SURVIVORS LAND**

By Courier Leased Wire.

London, Tuesday, Nov. 26.—Thirty-five members of the crew and three passengers from the Steamer Caspasia which foundered off Newfoundland on November 17, have landed at Falmouth.

A St. Johns dispatch on November 17, stated that a radio message had been received there from the Caspasia, stating that she was in a sinking condition off Cape Race. No further particulars were given, but it is thought that the ship had been damaged in a terrific storm which swept the Nova Scotia and Newfoundland

land coasts on November 16 and 17. The Caspasia was owned by the Federal line.

**FIFTH WAR LOAN**

By Courier Leased Wire

Washington, Nov. 27.—In preparation for the fifth war loan, the Treasury announced to-day the issuance of \$600,000,000 or more of certificates of indebtedness, payable May 15, 1919, and paying a 1-4 per cent interest. The subscription period will run from December 5 to 19. The maturity date of the issue indicates that the fifth loan will be floated in April.

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<b>Pure Linen Guest Towels</b> A beautiful assortment of Pure Linen Guest Towels. At each, \$1.50, \$1.25, \$1.00, 75c. <b>50c</b>	<b>Extra Heavy Pure Linen Double Satin Damask Cloths</b> 40 only, extra heavy, snow white, double satin damask cloths, fine pure linen. All sizes. Most beautiful centre designs, and priced at \$17.00, \$15.00 and <b>\$12.50</b>	<b>Christmas Bath Mats</b> Good heavy weight, pretty designs. All colors at \$3.00, \$2.25, \$2.00 and <b>95c</b>
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