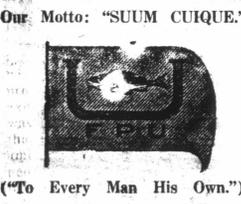


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OUR POINT OF VIEW

The West Coast Episode
CAPT. WES. KEAN in Thursday's "Daily Star" published a letter in which he claims to state the facts of an episode to which **The Mail and Advocate** gave public some few weeks ago.

Amongst the correspondence published by Capt. Kean, the public will notice a letter from His Lordship Bishop Power of St. George's. In this letter the good Bishop states:—
"I quite admit that I left the deck of your ship together in a friendly mood until I was informed that Simon Basha and Mrs. Webber both had advised you that I was going on board."

"If you recall the conversation we had on board you will remember that the basic point of it was that you did not know I was going."
"Under those circumstances, I felt it my duty to inform my people of my treatment which was scarcely fair considering that I had done no injury and had asked no privilege, as the steamer was scheduled according to the way bill to call on that day at Petries wharf."

"When I walked down the pier, the steamer was not yet tied on to the place, a first requisite in seamanship as far as I know. Even as ordinary citizens we had the right to expect courtesy from you as a public servant and the words you uttered were altogether uncalled for. Perhaps you were in ill-temper at the time and in such premises a man may say or do things that he does not intend."

"Since the thing has gone so far it is best to let it take its full course."
"If you can assure me with ample proof that the whole thing has been placed in a false light there is no one who will see justice done sooner than I. I do not wish a hair of your head injured. All I wish is that the whole matter be properly investigated and proper explanations made in a public way. I hope you will appreciate that owing to the position I hold amongst a large section of the people of this coast that I owe it to them to let no man insult me."

"I have been nearly four years on the coast as Catholic Bishop and I can well assure you that they would deeply resent any insult proffered me."
"You are an absolute stranger to me and my only meeting with you was not pleasant, but I know the Captain of the Portia, your brother, and I respect him as I respect few men, and I have endeavored to live at peace with all my neighbours. I have no wish consequently to fall out with you."

"I trust that this affair may be cleared up to our mutual satisfaction and that with the least possible delay."
"Sincerely yours,
"J. M. F. POWER."

"St. George's, Sept. 21, 1915."
Capt. Wes. Kean contends he did not know that Bishop Power was coming on board, whilst the Bishop states that two other parties had informed Capt. Kean of the Bishop's arrangements to take passage on the steamer.
Is Capt. Kean right in his statement?
Bishop Power, as our readers will notice, says that "even as ordinary citizens one had the right to expect courtesy from you as a public servant and the words you uttered were altogether uncalled for."

The Bishop, as his letters clearly sets forth, is quite willing to forget the action of Capt. Kean in the premises, and this we suppose will end the matter as far as this particular case is concerned.
Reviewing the whole subject we have come to the conclusion that the people of Newfoundland are about sick of Abram Kean and his son Weston. We trust both will exercise more discretion in future when writing to the press, for the letter recently published over the signature of Weston Kean is as foolish and flimsy as any yet published by Captain Abram.
Skipper Abe has made himself obnoxious to the whole North; and now Capt. Kean, Jr., son of Ab, insults, or tries to do so, the Catholic people of the West Coast.

Capt. Wes. Kean makes a funny picture in using up well nigh a page of **The Star**—the purport of which is "I did something, but I didn't mean it."
Bishop Power's letter is a manly one, and we think we are safe in saying no fair minded person who reads it, will but say that the Bishop of St. George's had every reason to resent the conduct of Capt. Wes. Kean.
Following the usual practice of his father, we suppose Capt. Wes. will soon have some friends presenting him with an address. Abraham generally has one gotten up for him whenever he bumps the "Prospero" or some rock or runs down a fishing schooner in broad daylight.
The country is well sick of the name of Kean and this little exhibition of puppyism on the part of Westbury will only add to the fires of public indignation.

What Will Greece Do?
THE situation in the Eastern War Theatre just now is rather kaleidoscopic; and telegraphic news at second hand, it is very difficult to learn just what the position of the Balkan States is. Yet it seems quite within the bounds of certainty that Bulgaria will join the Hunnish Alliance. The Germans can offer Bulgaria more than the Allies can—whatever they may be able ultimately to deliver. The fact that the Germans have been loaning money to the Bulgars, in spite of their own financial stringency and of the correlated fact that the Allies are the moneyed nations and have been lending to everybody in sight, is another indication of close relations between Sofia and Berlin.
With Greece, however, the opposite is true. The Allies can give Greece a great deal, while the Sultan-Turk can give her nothing. In reality, a victorious German-Turk combination would rob Greece of much that she now possesses. The Allies can give her Smyrna, a section of Asia Minor, and future possession of the Greek Islands she now has, and some further territory in Thrace.
Germany, if victorious, would doubt, establish the Turks firmly in Smyrna, take back the Greek islands off the Asia Minor Coast, seize Kavalla for Bulgaria, and possibly Salonika for Austria, thus denying the just Greek ambition to combine in Magna Graecia all the Greek race and depriving her of her hard winnings during the two Balkan wars.
The interest of Greece seems clear; but from despatches lately received one cannot really understand the situation. The Consort of the King of Greece is a sister of the Potsdam Butcher, and she evidently is not in accord with the policy of Premier Venizelos, who, we are informed, has sent his resignation to the King. Greece at the moment is a "divided house," and it is in a somewhat arduous condition.
The attitude of M. Venizelos is unmistakable. He recognizes the King Constantine as the legitimate ruler of Greece.
"If we do not take part in the war, in all human probability Hellenism in Asia Minor is definitely lost to us. For if the Triple Entente should conquer, its powers will divide; either among themselves or together with Italy, Asia Minor and the rest of Turkey; and if Germany, together with Turkey, should conquer, not only

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will 200,000 Greeks already expelled from Asia Minor have no hope of returning to their homes, but the number of those expelled will have still greater additions.
"How then is it possible, things being so, for us to allow this opportunity of realizing our most daring national ideas to pass? It is an opportunity of creating a Hellas including nearly all the lands in which Hellenism prevailed during its long life history—a Hellas including extents of the greatest fertility, and assuring for us hegemony in the Aegean Sea.
"If our sharing in the war should be nullified by the Bulgarians, we should preserve entirely the friendship and sympathy of the powers of the Triple Alliance. And if even in the event of their prevailing, we should not be able to expect such a concession as would be able to give us in exchange for taking part in the war, we might, nevertheless, safely expect that our interests would meet with their sympathetic support, and that necessary financial help after the war would not be lacking us."
"The support of these powers will supply us with all economic and diplomatic means for facing every difficulty naturally proceeding from so sudden an increase of our territory (concessions to us in Asia Minor)."
Based on this support, Greece will be able to step forward firmly in a new and marvellous path of progress now open before her."

The Balkan Muddle
WHO a year ago could think Bulgaria's King would be bad enough to fight in defense of Turkey? The unexpected has happened in Bulgaria's case, so far as her present Government is concerned; but wait. The day will come when Bulgaria, exhausted by the Allies, will become the prey of Greece and Roumania and disappear from amongst the Balkan nations.
Greece will stand by her favorite, brilliant and safe statesman who has just been compelled to hand over the Premiership. King Constantine will yet be glad to avail of Venizelos' services to save his Throne and pick up a few stray crumbs when dividing days arrive.
Venizelos is the one strong man in Greece, and as German success will add nothing to the Kingdom of Greece, while the success of the Allies would add greatly to the importance and extent of Greece, the people of Greece will stand by their hero; and before many weeks he will once more control the destinies of Greece.
Surely Greece will not remain inactive if Bulgaria attacks Serbia? Surely the people of Greece will not be false to all that is worth living for, and look on inactive while Teuton and Bulgar attempt to strangle the brave little Kingdom of Serbia?
Let Bulgaria take the plunge her King strongly desires, if he do he will not long remain King of Bulgaria. Bulgaria does not want Russia to possess Constantinople, and Germany guarantees that Bulgaria will become greater at the expense of Serbia and Roumania; but the Russian mil-

itions will decide that question, even if it takes five years to do so.
Greece cannot remain inactive long, and when King Constantine is compelled to comply with the wishes of his subjects, and oppose Bulgaria, Roumania will also enter the fight, and Bulgaria will disappear because of her treachery towards Russia and the cause of Liberty and Justice.
No one should worry much over Bulgaria's treachery, for the Allies will now be justified in wiping that kingdom off the map. The map of Europe must be changed very considerably if permanent peace and absolute freedom and Liberty for all is to ensue as a result of this Armageddon.
Bulgaria's action will but hasten the close of the war and weaken a foe that might have proved troublesome when peace was being arranged.

The World's Press
Nothing Doing
There is no need to worry about what the Germans in the United States would do if diplomatic relations between Washington and Berlin were severed. The natural yellow streak on the animals would prevent them doing a thing.—Toronto News.

A Little Dust
Dust thou art, and to dust thou shalt return, is a threat that carries more than the usual meaning these September days, when the wind whirls the dust in clouds about our heads, into our eyes, into the stores and houses and on our clothes.—Examiner.

The Soft Editorial Heart
Even those who never spend a cent with a paper will expect to be favored every time they "slip a cog." So far as we are concerned, we get beastly tired of this "favoring by suppression" business, but we continue to do it—probably for the reason that we still have a heart.—White Horse Star.

Will Pay No Blackmail
But apart from all tu quoque arguments, this country has no intention of sacrificing a legitimate naval advantage in order to assist Germany in escaping the consequences of her criminal practices. She must settle with the United States as best she can, at her own expense not at ours. We will pay no blackmail.—London Daily Mail.

The Emergency
If there was an "emergency" in the North Sea the British navy seems to have been quite capable of taking care of it. The emergency with which Canada should have concerned itself was along the Pacific and Atlantic coasts. Australia did her "bit," and Sir Richard McBride bought two submarines at the eleventh hour.—Hamilton Times.

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4.07 p.m.	FRESHWATER	12.38 p.m.
4.15 p.m.	VICTORIA	12.50 p.m.
4.22 p.m.	SALMON COVE	12.53 p.m.
4.37 p.m.	PERRY'S COVE	12.68 p.m.
4.54 p.m.	BROAD COVE	11.51 a.m.
5.02 p.m.	ADAM'S COVE	11.43 a.m.
5.08 p.m.	WESTERN BAY	11.37 a.m.
5.24 p.m.	OCHRE PIT COVE	11.21 a.m.
5.37 p.m.	NORTHERN BAY	11.08 a.m.
5.43 p.m.	BURNT POINT	11.02 a.m.
6.00 p.m.	ISLAND COVE	10.45 a.m.
6.13 p.m.	CAPLIN COVE	10.32 a.m.
6.28 p.m.	OLD PERLICAN	10.17 a.m.
6.35 p.m.	BAY DE VERDE	9.50 a.m.
ARRIVE 7.30 p.m.	GRATE'S COVE	LEAVE 9.15 a.m.

ANGLO-FRENCH LOAN WILL MATERIALLY SHORTEN WAR

New York Financial Expert Finds That is Opinion of France
FRENCH FINANCES ARE SOUND
French People Will Protect Their Financial as Well as National Honour

Paris, Sept. 23.—That the Anglo-French loan in America will materially shorten the war is the opinion of the highest governmental and banking authorities here, according to Frederick H. Allen, New York financial expert.
Furthermore, France is confident of her ability to pay when the war is ended, Allen said. Her people will make the same sacrifices to preserve their financial honor that they have made on the battle field to preserve their national honor.
"But if we cannot buy from you," Allen was told "it will take us longer to get what we want, and therefore prolong the war. Our people would go without meat or cotton and eat black bread if necessary in time we could provide ourselves with the necessities."
Allen is a member of the American permanent commission on rural credits. He has had a series of important conferences with officials here, including Minister of Finance Ribot. He has furnished the United Press with a resume of the French viewpoint that carries with it the approval of competent authorities.
Would Establish Credits
"American exports to England, France and Russia for the year ending June 30 showed an excess, roughly of five million francs," it was pointed out to Allen "The major part of this must be paid in gold or by establishing a credit of gold, which is the foundation of our banking credits. We do not want to part with gold in great amounts. Besides you have all the gold you want. Therefore, it is better for you and better for us to establish credit in your country in order to continue carrying on business there. Otherwise, how are we to continue buying from you?"
"Your country has become, or is becoming the creditor of the nations. To sustain this position your people should make a careful stand for the securities which the allied nations can offer. Such a stand should convince them that neither England, France nor Russia ever defaulted on promises to pay, nor will they."

Able to Meet Obligations
"The ability of France to meet her obligations is indubitable. The wealth of the nation is estimated at 300,000,000,000 francs. The state will have spent from the beginning of the war to December 31 roughly only twenty-eight billion francs. Who can doubt our ability to pay, even if the war lasts another seventeen months, or twice that time?"
On Altar of National Honor
"You, who have seen the patriotism and self-sacrifice of our people, cannot doubt that to sustain our financial honor we would sacrifice ourselves as wholly as we have on the battlefield. Because we were unprepared for war, our industries were disorganized when our workmen answered the call to arms. Therefore, we have gone to your people with their national resources and their manufacturing ability as being best able to supply us quickly."
"Our own industries are being rap-

Point of View
The threats written and spoken against the Anglo-Saxon delegation of financiers now in New York, may be explained, perhaps, on the ground that they are here to borrow money. If they had money to loan for the purpose of establishing peace societies and neutrality leagues, the worthies who are now menacing them would form a solid phalanx in their defence.—N.Y. World.

idly reorganized. Our trade is daily approaching a more healthy condition. Our export business will gradually improve. Our balance in foreign trade is approaching liquidation. Our course illustrates the improvement in conditions.
"Moreover, you must not forget to distinguish between the cost of the war to the state and to the nation. Much money is being paid by the state of citizens who furnish the army with munitions, horses, clothing, arms, aeroplanes, food, etc. This money returns to the state through the purchase of bonds. The national patrimony is, therefore, not diminished by the amount of bonds we issue and the interest paid on these bonds is paid mostly to individuals whose poverty goes to make up the national fortune.
"We can economize enough with a national income of from twenty to twenty-five billion francs to take care of our obligations. Moreover, we cannot have such a question as arose in America after the civil war because our securities are held, not by a few, as was and is the case in your country, but by every class, from peasant to millionaire. Any attack on the country's credit would be an attack on the credit of the whole population. No political party could be formed in France such as your 'Greenback party,' to advocate payment of the state's obligations in depreciated currency."

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