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Lloyd George's Inspiring Speech.

LLOYD GEORGE AT THE GUILD-HALL.
LONDON, April 27.
(Through Reuter's Ottawa Agency.)
—It was a distinguished assembly which gathered to-day at the Guild-hall on the occasion of the presentation of the freedom of London to Lloyd George. All the representatives of the Overseas Dominions and India attended, as well as Lord Curzon, Lord Milner, Right Hon. Arthur Henderson, many peers of the realm and members of the Commons. The Premier was given a hearty reception upon his arrival, and was applauded to the echo as he rose to address the audience. He began his speech by emphasizing the growing superiority of the British over the enemy. "We shall never forget the days of financial panic at the beginning of the war, but British credit survived, despite many contrary predictions." Referring to the Army, he said, "I remember the dark, dreary days when our gallant fellows in shattered trenches had night and day endured the mockery of the Germans; how they stood in the way. The way in which the British infantry stood to the guns of Napoleon one day was one of the epics of military history; their descendants stood to greater guns for days and nights, and weeks and months and they never flinched. It was the greatest story in the world. They never broke, and only those who have met and talked with them can realize what they did. The story will never die. Our gratitude is due to the brave, little man who led them through all those months and never lost heart, Lord French. When I took the job to organize the resources of Great Britain I did it in order to give those brave men a real chance to fight, and, thank God, they got it, thanks to the efforts of the manufacturers and the workmen. Don't let us forget the women, who by hundreds and thousands flocked to the factories and asked what they could do to help their gallant kinsmen in the field. They have done all they could, and the story is now a very different one. The future of the country," said the Premier, "would depend on how much the politicians had learned." The Premier continued: "The submarine is the worst problem we have to meet, and we mean to do it. It is essential to victory to us that we should do so. This problem has worried us for at least two and a half years, since the Ger-

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of political sagacity, not even if the five were put together. The people are realizing that there are more things in heaven and on earth than the political philosophy of any of these parties. That is one illusion that we have seen disappear in the lurid fires of war. When after the war reconstruction begins, I hope and trust and pray that we are not going to give in to the pigeon holes of a party for dust-laden precedents and programmes. Let us think out the best methods for ourselves, in the face of searching facts of which we knew nothing before the war. We are a thousand years older and wiser since the war. The experience of generations has been crowded into just a few winters, and we should be unworthy of the great destiny to which Providence has called this generation if we throw away all that for the sake of formulas framed before the flood." "There is no sphere of statesmanship," he continued, "which there is greater need for revised ideas than our attitude towards the great Commonwealth of nations of the British Empire. In the past, we have treated it as an abstraction, a glorious abstraction, but still an abstraction. War has shown us all that the Empire is a fact, nay a factor, the most potent factor to-day in the struggle for human liberty. We sent a hundred thousand men to France in August, 1914. They turned the tide of history. The Dominions and India contributed a million men that transformed our ideas regarding the reality and beneficence of the British Empire. The world can't afford to let it be broken, but the choice must be between immediate concentration and ultimate dissolution. Things cannot remain where they were. It may be said that the shadowy character of relations between us and the Dominions was great, that the territories east have produced this real cohesion. That was all very well before they made those great sacrifices. They have now established their claims to a real partnership. Henceforth an effective partnership must be the only basis of co-operation. If our action brings them into trouble as it has, and it costs them millions of precious lives, they must henceforth be consulted before the act. Our colleagues from the Dominions and from India have not taken part in a mere formal conference, they have had a real share in our councils and in our deliberations. They came here with fresh minds, having viewed the conflict from different peaks. Minds running in the same course for a long time are apt to get rutty. You require fresh minds to lift the cart out, and we have had such a mind. We have had war decisions of a most far-reaching

character in which our overseas colleagues assisted us. Great problems regarding submarines, shipping and food, as well as military decisions, have all been reviewed. We have been taught by war the real value of the Empire. One of the first real duties of the statesmanship of the future will be to take the necessary measures to aid in the development of the stupendous resources which we possess. We have decided that in the future it is the business of British and Dominion statesmen to knit the Empire in closer bonds in the interest of trade, commerce, business and the general intercourse of affairs. We have considered this problem and decided in order to develop our enormous territories in future, it is necessary that exceptional encouragement should be given the products of each part of the Empire. We believe that a system of preference could be established without involving the imposition of food burden. We believe it can be done without that, and of course with food scarce and dearest, this is not the time to talk of putting additional burdens on food; but for the purpose of preference that will not be essential, if we can secure that by other means, particularly by taking measures which other lands have taken for improving communications between one part of their Dominions and the other. By these means the products of one's country inside this great Imperial Commonwealth can be brought more freely, more readily and more economically to the markets of the other.

Lloyd George, referring to Ireland, said it must be converted from a suspicious, surly, dangerous neighbor to a cheerful, loyal comrade. If we are to have a well-knit and powerful Empire, this is essential for the peace of the world. Ireland was a menacing prospect on the horizon. If he appealed for a settlement of the Irish question it was because he knew from facts driven into his mind every hour that in America, Australia and every part of the Empire it was regarded as essential to speedy victory. Therefore he appealed to the patriotism of every man to sink everything for the purpose of solving this problem. We must concentrate upon the task of subduing, suppressing and defeating the worst enemy we have ever encountered, he said. In conclusion, the Premier referred to the position in India. Germany's greatest disappointment in this war, and she had many, has been in India, said the Premier. Germany expected the forces of Britain absorbed upon the task of suppressing these. What did she find? Enthusiasm, loyalty, help. I think India is entitled to ask

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HITT AND RUNN—The Wif Brought Out a Little Plate o' Chicken but--It Wasn't for Bull!

BY HITT

Panel 1: A man and a woman are talking. The woman says, "HERE IT IS TWO DAYS SINCE THE WIFE LOCKED ME OUT - I'M GETTING HUNGRY ENOUGH TO EAT A BUZZARD".

Panel 2: The woman says, "SH-SH! LISTEN NORA IS YIELDING SHE'S JUST COME OUT THE BACK DOOR, AND SET DOWN A PLATE OF CHICKEN ON THE DOORSTEP".

Panel 3: The man says, "CHICKEN! CHICKEN? NOW AS ONE BROTHER TO ANOTHER, GUS YOU AINT KIDDIN' ARE YUH? - SPEAK?". The woman replies, "HONEST!".

Panel 4: The man says, "TAKE YOUR TIME MURDER - CLEAN UP THE FEATHERS - HERE'S A WIFE PORKE TENDERLOWN BESIDES". A dog is shown eating the chicken.

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