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"We are fighting for a worthy purpose, and we shall not lay down our arms until that purpose has been fully achieved."—H.M. The King.  
TO THE PEOPLE OF THE EMPIRE—Every fighting unit we can send to the front means one step nearer peace.

## TWO YEARS OF WAR.

Two years ago today, on August 4th, 1914, Great Britain declared war upon Germany and formally entered upon the world-racking conflict which, in twenty-four months, has welded all classes of people in the Empire as no other happening could have, has brought into being a mighty anti-Teutonic alliance that, for years to come, must control the destinies of Europe if not the world and has perfected the operations preliminary to the eventual redemption of the German people from the blighting curse of militaristic aggression.

Today marks the second anniversary of Great Britain's actual entry into the armed camp of the world but the event foreshadowing that entry occurred on July 23rd, 1914, when Austria sent to Serbia her insolent ultimatum demanding concessions practically tantamount to a surrender of independence. Looking back now it is doubtful, whether, at that time, the Kaiser really desired to fight. He would, perhaps, have been just as well pleased if he could have had his own way without recourse to armed force. But, whatever the cost, he was determined that Serbia must yield to Austria and that Russia, natural protector of the Serbs, must acquiesce in that submission. Had Russia agreed, through fear of Germany, and avoided the threatened conflict, it would have been a certain acknowledgment that the will of the Kaiser could not be successfully opposed in Europe and at once would have established Germany as the first power in the world. The Muscovite, however, did not recede and relations between Russia and Austria and Russia and Germany speedily became strained.

Then Germany made hostile motions towards France. In that appeared the first of her great errors, errors which were to cost her the victory in the most colossal struggle of history. Had Berlin proclaimed she had no quarrel with France, but set her energies to the task of assisting Austria to beat the Russians into submission, keeping on the western front only enough troops to guard against sudden surprise, had she avoided the invasion of Belgium, the conquest of Russia could probably have been achieved without British interference. Then, when, lusting for her conquest, she turned on France to carry out the second of her pre-conceived plans the meaning of the war might have come too late to be of value to the world.

But Germany erred. Whether the Kaiser, with the scent of war in his nostrils, believed he was able to conquer the world, or whether false strategists dictated his course time alone will tell. At any rate it is a certainty that in thinking he could first crush France, and then turn to meet the slower mobilizing Russians, he underestimated first, the spirit and tenacity of French resistance, secondly the heroic fight put up by the Belgians when they found the invader really on their soil, and, thirdly, the new Russia.

The path of German campaign led through Belgium for two reasons, first avoidance of the supposedly stronger fortifications on the southern French lines and secondly a quicker seizure of the iron lands of Northern France and an assured supply of materials for the manufacture of munitions. True, Germany was bound by sacred treaty to respect the rights of Belgium but, blinded by proud conviction of her own irresistible might, she ignored it, rushed into Belgium where she met a resistance that maddened her and drove her to deeds of cruelty and brutality for which her posterity will blush for centuries.

Germany's first inroad on Belgium brought a protest from Britain, this being neglected action speedily followed. The British people realized that the defiance of the Teutons meant a contest for the very existence of the Empire and the response to that challenge was electrical in its unanimity. Quickly the British navy which, through the foresight of Winston Churchill, had been kept in home waters, put to sea, German commerce scurried to home ports, or neutral harbors and interned and the conflict was on. A British expeditionary force, small in comparison with the mighty armies which have since followed the

flag, embarked for France, where it escaped total destruction by a miracle, but, as events turned out, played no unimportant part in the overturn of the enemy's plans.

Then followed the first major operation of the Teutonic forces. Paris was the goal, and with a viciousness unparalleled in history, the Germans started the advance. How near it came to success, how it was eventually beaten back from the Marne and how the Germans entrenched along the Aisne Valley where for many months they have remained, require no recapitulation.

But the enemy, though foiled in the designs on Paris, made considerable gains. Practically all of Belgium and a large and valuable section of Northern France was seized and it still held, although the last few weeks have shown signs that the grip is relaxing.

Meantime, in the East, the Russians, through superior numbers of men, though with inferior equipment, were beating the Austrian end of the Teutonic alliance. Germany turned her attention there and having entrenched in the West proceeded to drive back the Russian forces to a point from which it was felt they would not soon emerge.

The situation undoubtedly favored the enemy. Bulgaria and Turkey had joined the Hun armies, the British attacks on the Dardanelles had failed and it seemed that the Teutons were gathering force for a mighty blow which might have meant disaster to the Empire.

Dismal as was the war news of last year there were compensating circumstances. Italy had made her choice, Kitchener's army was in the making and the British blockade was commencing to leave its impress on the German people. Then the tide turned. Russia, reinforced and re-equipped, stopped the German offensive at Riga and herself assumed the aggressive success of which is recent history. German attacks on Verdun failed, while for the first time, the real strength of the Franco-British forces became apparent, and the Western drive started. The German fleet ventured from its base and the result was the glorious British victory off the coast of Jutland, a victory which ensured to Britain the undisputed mastery of the seas and sent the Kaiser's warships limping back to their refuge.

For the past few weeks the news has been decidedly encouraging. The co-ordination of the Allied movements has become marked and they have attained an unmistakable superiority of gun and man power. There can now be no doubt of the end.

At the outbreak of war Lord Kitchener predicted that it would last three years. We now believe that his estimate was more than ample and with anything like a continuance of the success which has marked the recent events can confidently expect to top several months off that period.

Thus after two years of fighting the Empire and the Empire's allies stand before the world assured of a victory carrying in its train a certainty of world peace that will permit reconstruction on a broader scale than before, with a new ideal of citizenship, a better conception of brotherhood and a stronger determination to preserve to humanity the liberty and freedom of thought and action which, after all, are the real stakes at issue.

Britain has suffered and bled and with the outpouring of the national blood will pass the enervating customs and restricted conceptions incident upon a decade of luxurious peace. It has been said and it is believed that after this war the world will never be the same, that there will be a broader realization of man's duty and service to his fellow man, and that the sun which rises on the dawn of peace will cast its grateful rays over a revived race, which will equal and surpass the most glorious achievements of the past. If that be so, then on this second anniversary of the real commencement of the greatest struggle of all history a shining shaft gleams through the mist of world encompassing tears, and the nation, glorious in its hope, turns a shining face to the future.

## CONCERNING "PACKED" JURIES.

In the course of his somewhat heated remarks, at a gathering of opposition party leaders in this city on Wednesday evening, Mr. E. S. Carter made certain observations concerning "packed juries," which illustrate quite plainly that the prospective Provincial Secretary of the Carter-Veniot-Mercereau combination is still living in the days of yore.

Doubtless, as he gazed over the faces of the faithful and prepared to electrify them by the witchery of his words, Mr. Carter permitted his thoughts to travel to other days when he was the editor and chief proprietor of a dirty little weekly known as Progress, and when juries were not always kind to him. Doubtless, also, he had in his mind a certain case in Carleton county in which Mr. F. B. Carvell, of "silk-hat" fame, was the prosecuting counsel and a well known resident of that county was brought for trial on a trumped up charge, out of which it was hoped to manufacture political capital. Possibly, also, he recalled that after the "evidence" had been heard and Mr. Carvell had thundered and belittled to the edification of his friends the "hand picked" jury disagreed, rumor stating that the jury men stood nine for acquittal and three for conviction.

It is also not unlikely that he remembered, or could remember, if he wished, that one of the jurymen who voted for acquittal afterwards made a solemn declaration in which he charged that a prominent Liberal official of that county had approached him and asked a reason for his vote, stating that for political reasons it was advisable to secure a conviction. Possibly, Mr. Carter knows, as The Standard knows, that the facts of the Carleton county jury can be substantiated whenever he desires it.

Mr. Carter should not permit his newly found and much advertised "purity" to run away with him. When he deals with "packed juries" he handles a subject that might injure him. The opposition organizer should commit to memory that old proverb which treats of children, fools and certain sharp instruments.

Judging from recent utterances of Mr. Edmond S. Carter and editorial fulminations of the newspapers supporting him the campaign in the interest of the prospective Provincial Secretary of the Carter-Veniot-Mercereau government is to be run on two issues—the loyalty of Mr. Carter's family and the integrity of the directors of The Standard. We venture to suggest, however, that before the next election comes around the record and motives of Mr. Carter and his political associates may come in for some attention, to say nothing of the public questions on which the people of the province desire political fact as distinguished from "political fiction," and unnecessary and unwarranted abuse.

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## Little Benny's Note Book

The Park Ave. News.

Financial Notes. Sid Hunt made 8 cents acting as a guide last Monday, guiding fellows around to see his kid brother Eddie with 12 mumps for one sent a trip, Eddie getting 2 warts out of it for feet coming to the parlor window every time Sid wailed.

Short Story

Falls Alarm.

Bong! Bong! Bong!  
"Fire! Fire! Fire!"  
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The end.

Society Notes. Mr. Jonny Wilson returned back from the country on Thursday, and Miss Mary Watkins, Miss Gertrude Simin and other society wimn have bin acting as if they thawt he was a hero or sumthing, jest because he is all sunburnt.

The Willie boy in the end house has got a pumobee, but he is not allowed to take it off or the pavement. O splash, lets get spots on our wite pants!  
All is Not Lost.  
Poem by Skinny Martin.  
I had a little dorgie  
I put it on a chain,  
He choaked on the bones from a porgie,  
But I still got the chain.  
Advertisement. Wy not lern to blow bubbles with chewing gum? 2 lessins for a sent. Consult Ed Wernick.

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Here's hoping for a fine day Saturday, the Hampton Patriotic Fair deserves this and all other good luck.

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