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on the fortunes of war. Sir Edward land were prepared to sacrifice all Grey's efforts to maintain the peace these for "a scrap of paper." And of Europe were mistaken for weak- again the request that England ness and Germany believed that Great should remain neutral if Germany the Colonies held by her enemies. It towards Paris in the month of August dence before their minds. Britain would avoid war because her guaranteed not to acquire French ferdistorted vision beheld the martial ritory in Europe-show her desperate ed by commercialism and ease, her at least until she had crushed French is not surprising that a nation with of ground from the Germans in a coun Our new armies are now being sent colonies disaffected and ripe for dis- and Russian power. If German dip- the ambitious schemes of world con- try in which they have had to extem- into France and already the news because we have a high, a pure and a are in order when you have furnished memberment, the British Isles them- lomacy had succeeded in doing this quest entertained by Germany should porise their defences. The difficult sent us by the public despatches show just cause." your office with a modern equipment selves almost on the brink of Civil she would have made substantial prosee and wish to avail of the strategic work of driving them from their own that the enemys grip on France and War. These delusions of Germany gress towards the realization of her value of Newfoundland in the founda- fortresses and fortified towns is still Belgium is weakening. These are TALK IS CHEAP induced her to make the dispute be- ambition. In the campaign against tion and maintenance of such an Em- to be accomplished. In spite of the hopeful signs of a victorious advance Cabinets, and the "Safeguard" method for war. There is no doubt that had while Austria held back the first at- lucky chance she should win in this prisoners she maintains the fight with however, we must expect our armies Germany shown, in the diplomatic distack of Russia, Germany would first war the Colony of ours would be the unremitting vigour. At the outset she will meet with a stubborn resistance. her interests and her influence in the the other set of contending nations. Balkans and jeopardize her position The original cause of dispute was onamongst the Slavic people. She knew ly a match which set fire to the large that France would be drawn into the conflagration and has long since been war as the ally of Russia and she lost sight of in its magnitude. The smashed at her very door and Belgium flict of material interests but of two violated, though protected by treaty systems and methods of state moral-

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after the presentation of England's in the result which ever goes under ultimatum on the 4th of August. The will disappear forever from the histhat Great Britain should not go to We in this country have the same inwar with a kindred people who de- terests at stake as our fellow citizens sired nothing better than to be in Great Britain. These are our bat-

paratory to "the day" when she could cilable.

over the ruins of the British Empire.

(Continued from page 2) would be vindicated and asked if Eng-Servia. To do so would be fatal' to but the complete victory of one or schemes, that England could not re- and those represented by Germany main neutral whilst France was and her Allies is not the mere con-

realize her dreams of World-Empire Hard Fight And a Lengthy One

obligations to which Britain was a ity, of two theories of the values of

party, and all to give Germany power education, of two schemes of human

and strength on the Continent pre- existence which are utterly irrecon-

It will require all the energies and all the resources of the Allies to make That Germany relied on England's their triumph so complete as to end WE CAN INSURE neutrality is clear from the interview once for all the possibility of the isbetween Sir E. Goschen, the British sues being revived. There should be Ambassador at Berlin and the Ger- no doubt upon the fact that the naman Chancello rBethman Hollwegg, tions are fighting for their lives, and Chancellor appealed, hypocritically, tory of the world as a leading nation. friends with her, pointed out the ter- tles which are being fought on the rible cost at which Belgian neutrality fields of France and Belgium just as

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damage by having your property well covered by insurance. Then though

YOU TO-DAY. but cannot promise for to-morrow. The fire that comes like a thief in the night may strike you before to-mor-

much as they are the battles of Eng- Volunteers which we have offered world goes on much as usual. There from a speech delivered by Lord Roselishmen. Irishmen and Scotchmen at both to its land and sea forces. Still is a danger that we may fail to realize berry recently. He said: "Make no home. It is our duty, as it is their we must not slacken our efforts so the magnitude of the struggle and the mistake about it, we shall win. We duty, to be prepared to make great long as the war goes on. The end is need to sustain the Naval Reserve by are fighting with our back to the wall sacrifices to help the cause for which not yet in sight and it is more than the very security induced by the suc- to prevent a shame and defeat such as the war is being waged. We owe this probable that many months of weary cess of the Navy and to fully appreci- Britain has never suffered. to our country and to ourselves. I fighting are still before us. We can ate the abbsolute dependency of our "We are going to win because a nahave already said that one of Ger- form some measure of the task by economic and national existence on tion and an empire like ours cannot many's ambitions is to extend her the progress so far made. Ever since its continued supremacy at sea. Our be extinguished by any such warfare colonial Empire, to fight for and win the first mad onrush of the Germans people should ever keep this depen- as this; we are going to win because has already been proclaimed in the the tide has been slowly but surely Press that Newfoundland has a parturning in favour of the Allies but it vigour of the British Empire exhaust- efforts to keep England out of the war, ticular value in German eyes, and it has taken months to win a few miles Taking the Field tween Austria and Servia a pretext France and Russia she planned that pire. If this so and if by any un-vast losses in killed, wounded and towards the enemy's country where

seas of the enemies ships, it has, ex-spire us all to greater efforts and to folly. But it is a bitter one. Think of cept in the unequal fight off the coast make, if necessary, greater sacrifices of Chili, beaten the enemy wherever to promote the good of the cause we PERCIE JOHNSON, he was to be found, and the trade and all wish successful.

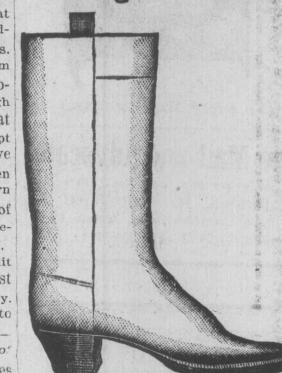
I shall be glad to submit estimates cussions which preceded the war, the crush France with her splendid sys- first to which she would make claim possessed the most wonderful war Newfoundland, as I have already same zeal for international peace as tem of strategic railways and power- and the first to come under her mil- machines any nation ever had and I said is honourably doing its part. Althe other countries interested dis- ful army thoroughly organized and itary rule. We are a small country understand that this great army has ready we have sent to England five played there would have been no war. prepared to carry out such move- but such as we are we have done and not suffered all or even the greater hundred of our young men as a vol-Had she used her influence with Aus- ments and then return eastward to are doing all that we possible can to part of the wastage of the war. Her untary contribution to the land forces tria to moderate her demands upon meet the main Russian armies when help the cause of Empire and to main- second army and reserves do most of of the Empire. The First Newfound-Servia she could have effected a set- they reached the German frontier. tain the honourable place we have the holding work whilst her principal land Regiment since it left us in Octlement which would have been ac- With England neutral this might have won as one of its self governing pos- army is kept in a constant state of tober has won a reputation that ceptable to all nations. She knew if happened but with England allied with sessions. It would be absurd for any mobility to be transferred from fron-might well be envied by the fine solddiplomacy failed a general European France and Russia it became absolute- person to talk to a St. John's audience tier to frontier or from place to place iers being sent by her sister colonies. war was inevitable. It failed because ly impossible. To-day Germany sees on the duty of contributing our quota as special effort may be called for by We know from letters received from of Germany's attitude and Germany and knows the utter hopelessness of to the military strength of the Em- the strategic development of the war. their friends and from impartial obmust accept the whole responsibility her undertaking. There are too many pire—I think it stands to-day in the It is also known that she has a special servers that their name ranks high for the war. She knew that Russia large and vital interests at stake in front rank of the cities of the Empire army of Volunteers which, like Kit- amongst the soldiers in training at could not allow Austria to overthrow the present war to permit of any end in the number and character of the chener's army in England, is still in home. In character, in military adapt preparation to be sent to the front in ability and in proficiency they have the spring. I mention these matters won admiration and no doubt when to show how gigantic is the task and they come face to face with the stern how great the need for unrelaxed ef- realities of war on the battle fields of

forts until the enemy has been beaten Belgium and Germany they will reto her knees. In spite of all these dif- flect honour on their native country. amongst the nations, for the supre- pay part of the cost of Empiremacy of law for the principle that all twenty-four have died in defence of nations great and small have equal the Empire-twenty-four whose names rights, that treaties gain no sanctity will never be erased from the hero from the fact that they are backed by book of Newfoundland. To-night, tothe power of a mighty army. Let each morrow or at most in a few days time | seamed Boot is custom made. man measure his duty by the issues at a further draft of our Volunteers will stake, let him decide for himself what go forth to join their comrades in Pegged Best Waterproof sacrifice this war demands of him. Scotland. They too will maintain the flames do come you will not be ruined. Upon some lies the duty to enlist honour of the "Old Colony"—and safeamongst the Soldiers of the King. ly may we leave its reputation in Upon others the duty to conserve the their hands—we all wish them God- these Boots, beware of Imitaresources of the country so that they speed—a great victory and triumphant tions. See that the name will be available for use at home and return. The action of these young FRED SMALLWOOD is on abroad during the war and in the try- men in offering their youth and the Heel plate. ing times that will inevitably follow strength to the defence of their counupon the conclusion of peace. Much try should have a personal appeal to P.S.—All our custom made row's dawn. The man who takes has been done, our Navy has accom- us all. We know them and their ex- Boots has this plate with our chances of going without insurance plished wonders. It has swept the ample should be contagious and in- name on it.

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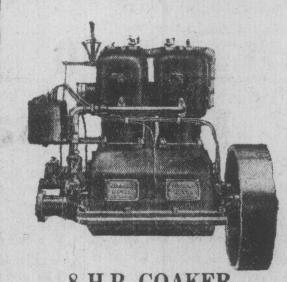
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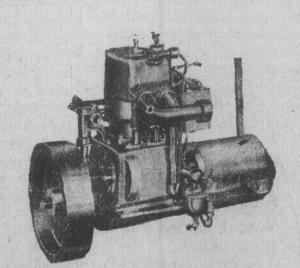
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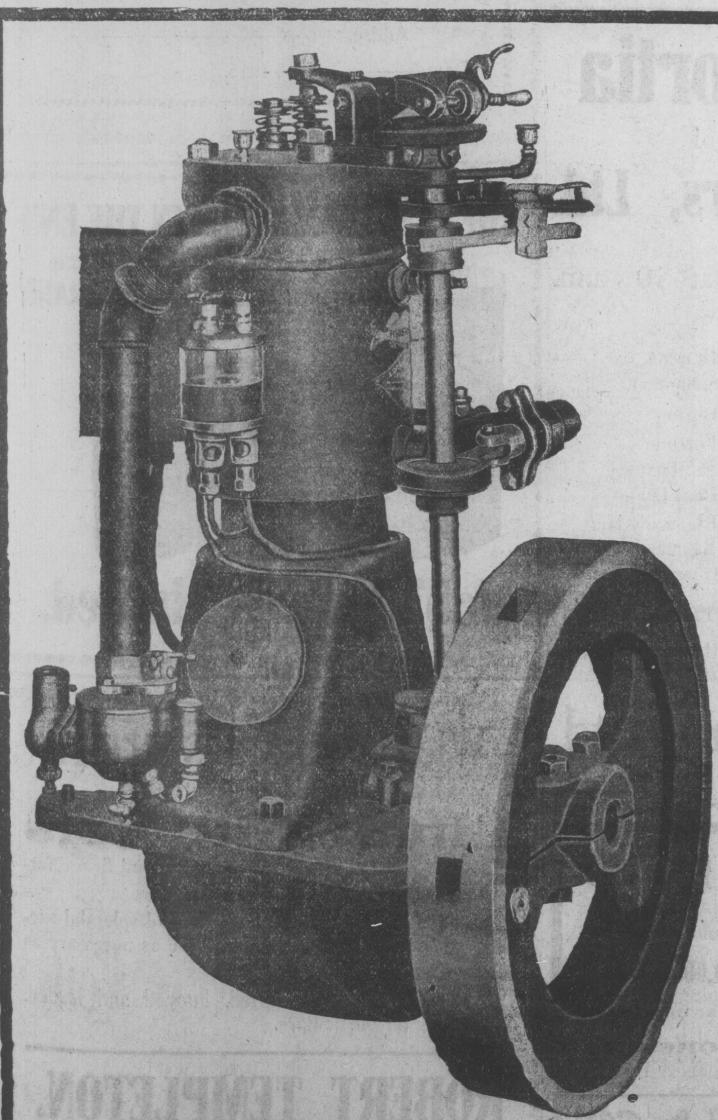


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