

THE WORLD PROBLEM

varied as the flowers of earth or the birds of heaven—and with just as little call for quarreling—each one adding to the richness and harmony of the whole, in the “unity of the spirit and the bonds of peace,” creating the paradise of earth.

It would be an impoverished earth if all were reduced to German culture: it would be an impoverished earth if German culture were withdrawn. It will be an enriched earth when each one of all the variations of race has perfectly free scope to develop its own elements of beauty and power as parts of the one great orchestra of human life and love and co-operation. When such a peace comes the New Germany, purged of its militarism and madness, will bring to the planet the rich and unique contribution dreamed of by Fichte, and for the reasons he emphasized. But because of the unity of its racial development its service will be in its steady, painstaking thoroughness, while that of the Anglo-Saxon, because of the manifold elements blended in the race, will touch at more points and act as a unifying medium. Already Great Britain has discovered a secret of unifying power, by giving each part autonomy and leaving the bond of union to be the unseen spirit of loyalty to one ideal. In the same way all races, east and west, will each bring a unique contribution to the common brotherhood of man.

The war will not bring that day. War breeds war: hell breeds hell: hate breeds hate. The obscene vermin of vice, degeneracy, and more war, that will rise out of this war, as they always rise out of every war, can only be met, and the opportunity of a peace from exhaustion can be utilized to bring in a permanent peace of God, only by the positive creative spirit of the Christ, operat-