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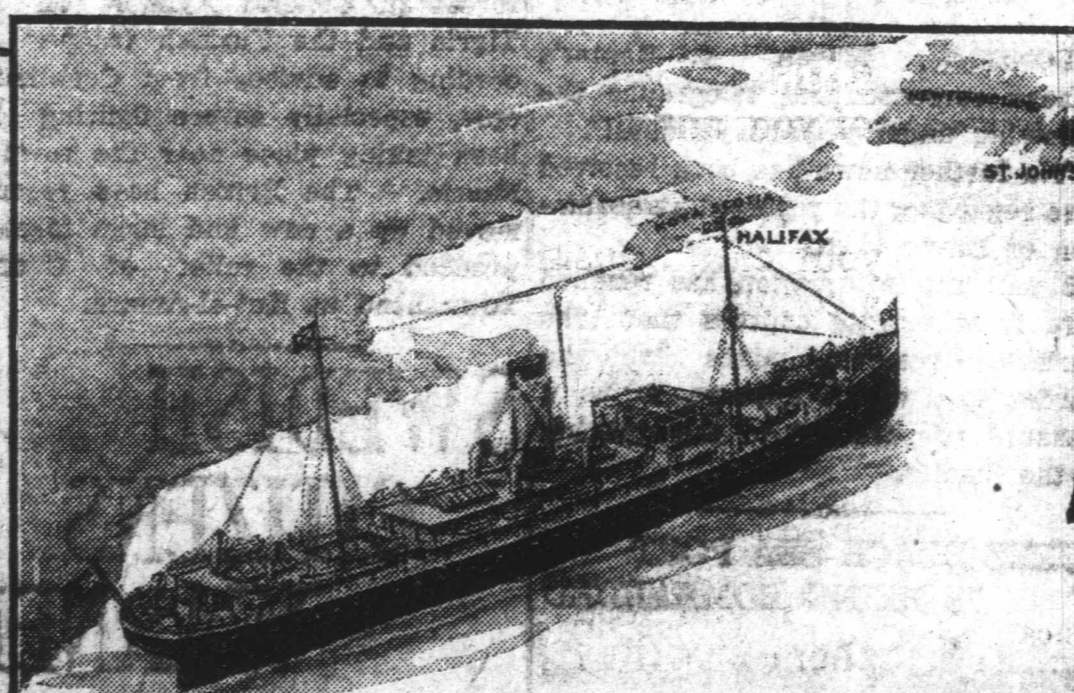
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IT IS my purpose to devote my rapidly approaching doings to the composition of a Primer of Christianity for the use of Pagans, Jingoists, Germans, Materialists, Christian Scientists and all others who stand in need of elementary training in the matter. The science has some points of similarity to the science of war, and may possibly share a revival of interest.

There is the difficulty of interest, or bringing all the facts and arguments into line, so that they all cut off from one's base, or, in other words, forgetting what one said at the beginning and flatly contradicting it at the end—a manoeuvre much in favor among the Advanced, especially of the feminine variety. And even the principle which makes a General avoid, when possible, offering battle with inferior forces at any given spot and time (whatever his ultimate reserve of strength may be) has its parallel in the art of controversy.

That parallel might be stated thus: "Never, however strong you may consider your case as a whole, go out of your way to challenge a particular comparison with something that in itself is stronger than you." The classic instance was the strategic blunder of the Suffragettes, in publicly comparing themselves with things much more beautiful than themselves: such as the English Prayer Book and the pictures in the National Gallery.

My friends of the Continental Times the American-German paper, need this advice very badly. Their style, at the best, is florid; and they suffer all the minor disadvantages attending those who write in a language they have never learned. But they need not make their deformed and over-dressed English seem more deformed and more overdressed by sharply comparing it with a very fine piece of writing, which happens (if only by an accident of its historical period) to be both very English and very restrained.

They publish a thing which they call "a New Declaration of Independence"; that is, they offer it, not only as a pendant, but practically as a sequel, to Jefferson's famous document. "The New Declaration begins like this: "Seven score years have elapsed since those great words were forged that welded us into a nation upon many fiery battlefields. In that day the strong voices of strong men rang across the world, their molten words flamed with light and their arms broke the visible chains of an intolerable bondage. But now in the red reflex of the glare cast from the battlefields of Europe, the invisible manacles that have been cunningly laid upon our freedom have become shamefully apparent. They rattle in the ears of the world."

Well, I suppose they would call it a matter of taste. But there have been people who wrote rather differently, so far as I vaguely remember. "When, in the course of human events, it has been found necessary for one people to sever the bonds that have hitherto bound it to another, a decent respect for the opinion of mankind"—Some readers may know the words better than I do; and it is for them to estimate the parallel.

For me, when I recall them, how over vaguely, I know in all my bones that the thing we call style is not a flourish or a varnish; but is a thing virile and fit for men. Style is in the inside of a man, and not on the outside. And after all legitimate reactions and jokes about cherry trees, the Revolution that made America was a thing in the grand style. American rebellion was more dignified than German order. The riot of Boston was more classical than the repose of Berlin. The Americans dressed up as Red Indians and threw tea about; but a decent respect for the opinion of mankind prevented them from writing about red reflexes.

They did not load a great public document with more metaphors than it could carry; and they would have been puzzled to discover how a red reflex could have the effect of rattling a manacle, even an invisible one. And the decent respect to which I have already referred would have prevented them from agitating "the ears of the world" with such stuff. The ears of the world are not so long as all that.

All these German appeals seem to ignore one fact: that to look cunning is to be clumsy. If the journalists of Berlin wished really to bamboozle democracies like the American, the French, or even the Scotch, they ought to have begun long ago. As it is, everyone knows perfectly well that Berlin is not in favor of democracy either in practice or (to do it justice)

quite irrational but quite human feeling, to which charlatans and hirelings give all sorts of fanciful forms, but which in its real nature simply amounts to the sentiments, "O Lord, this will never end!"

It is quite irrational, for, as they admittedly do not understand the proposition, it may end any minute. The Germans seek to turn it into a confused conception that Germany is unconquerable. If they may extort the admission that we cannot beat them, they will be content to agree that they cannot beat us; and they will call it a compromise to cling only to half of their ill-gotten gains. The test case is the port of Antwerp. It is of all things the thing they are not to have; the one thing which in European morality they should not have; the one thing which in British policy they must not have. It is also, of course, the one thing they want to have. But even the maddest of them cannot even dream of having it, unless they can fill civilian minds with a vague notion that full vengeance and redemption are now impossible. They could not dream ever of this if they were not supported in their counsels of despair by some of the professional pessimists.

Even in treason there is honesty and dishonesty. The comparatively honest traitor is he who hopes, and sometimes says, that the enemy must prevail. Intemperate individuals have said it here and there in England; and being comparatively harmless, have been sent to prison. But there are some people who have not even the courage of pessimism, and dare not tell us that the German must win. But they do tell us (for all practical purposes) that the British must fail; and this is quite as much of a lie, and one more useful to the enemy.

Attempt to Assassinate Wilson

CLEVELAND, Feb. 25.—Cleveland was startled to-night by newsboys crying "Extra: Attempts to assassinate President Wilson!" The extra issued by the Cleveland Leader contained nothing more sensational than a routine story of the President's day, including this paragraph in dark type:

"The President did not notice, as he followed Mrs. Wilson into the automobile, that there was a sudden commotion on the sidewalk nearby. Detective Riley, one of the score of detectives and patrolmen scattered through the crowd, had pounced upon a man, whose suspicious fumbling in his overcoat pocket had attracted attention. He was Charles Kalestian, an Armenian, and was placed under arrest. A razor was found in his pocket, but he maintained that he did not know the President was in town."

Police officials said to-night they were convinced the man had no designs upon the President. As a precaution he is being held on a bond-fide charge of carrying a concealed weapon.

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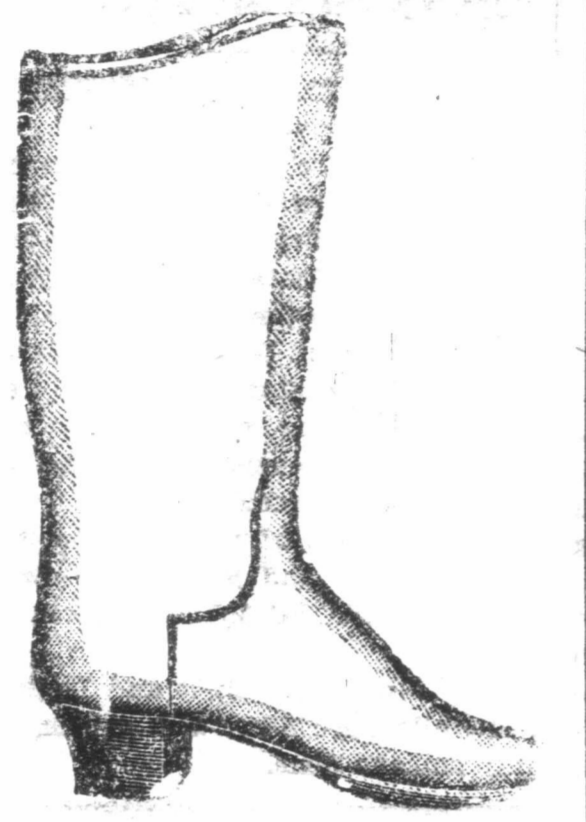
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**Western Bay Determined for a Fisherman Government in 1917
 ---The Morris Boodlers Must Go**

(Editor Mail and Advocate)
 Dear Sir,—Please allow me space in your esteemed paper for a few remarks. I see some thing in your paper from every place, only from this. So I took it in my head to write, and let others know that we are progressing greater than ever. For our members are more determined to stand by Coaker. Because they know when the election comes in 1917 it will be a fishermen's government, and that is what they want to drive the Morris grabbers out of existence.

Well, Sir, we did not have our parade yet, but glad to say our young ladies and gentlemen held a grand concert on the 15th inst for the purpose of finishing our hall. They made a fairly good sum, the amount being between \$30.00 and \$40.00. The programme was as follows—1. An opening chorus and drill, entitled "In Fond Remembrance." 2. A dialogue entitled "The Black Doct Hospitable," acted by Silas Sellars Jennie Pollett, and Mary Colbert and Elijah Sellars. 4. A recitation by Mildred Skinner, entitled "When he had to Borrow." 5. A dialogue entitled "What Drunkard's Home comes to," acted by Stanley Sellars, Julia Ford, Patrick McCarthy, Elijah Sellars acting as magistrate, and Michael Walsh and Pat-

rick Riggs acting as police men. 6. A tune from the violin and drum Elijah Sellars giving a step dance. 7. A song entitled "My Soldier Boy," sung by Mary Colbert and brother Patrick. 8. A dialogue entitled "A Safe Way to Hide Money," acted by Julia Ford, Mary Colbert and Silas Sellars. 9. Recitation by Patrick McCarthy entitled "The Last Remains of Merchants on Judgement Day." 10. A dialogue, entitled "Wanted Help," acted by Julia Ford, Stanley Sellars, Melina Sellars, Mildred Skinner, Elijah Sellars, Patrick McCarthy and Patrick Riggs. 11. A song by Elijah Sellars and Mary Colbert; 12. a dialogue entitled "Going Hunting," acted by Elijah Sellars and Mary Colbert, Silas Sellars, Stanley Sellars, Michael Walsh, Patrick Riggs and Patrick McCarthy; 13. recitation by Robert Jenkins entitled "The Loss of the Golden Arrow."
 The closing song was "Our Native Volunteers." We closed by singing The National Anthem. Then refreshments were served by the good ladies, dancing and other games were kept up until the wee sma' hours in the morning.
 Thanking you for space,
 Yours truly,
 A GUEST.
 Western Bay, Feb 28, 1916.

**Burin District Falling in Line
 Point aux Gaul Council Hold Annual Parade
 ---Long Live Coaker---The F.P.U. for Ever---Is the Prevailing Sentiment.**

(Editor Mail and Advocate)
 Dear Sir—Allow me space in your highly esteemed paper to say a few words regarding our Union parade which we held on Feb. 17.
 We met at the C. E. W. A. Hall at 2 p.m., the place we have hired for our union meetings. The Chairman called the meeting to order, read a circular letter and after a little discussion the meeting adjourned. We then lined up for our parade. We paraded around the place, the day being fine for the occasion. A few friends attended from Lamaline Local Council. At the head of the march was a friend carrying the good old Union Jack. Close by the flag was two friends carrying the motto "God Save the King," followed by the Union flag and motto "Long Live Coaker," the last motto being "F.P.U. Forever."
 We returned to the hall and the friends went to their homes for their lady partners to attend tea. The hall we have hired for our union meetings not being large enough for our supper we got the loan of the C. E. school. Tea was served at half past five, in which the ladies took an active part, tending on the friends. Af-

ter tea the Chairman introduced the Chairman of Lamaline Local Council who spoke highly of President Coaker and referred to the great war that is now raging, and he also spoke of the educational system of this country. He was followed by our Chairman, who thanked the speaker and especially the guests and ladies who prepared such a great tea.
 Besides those present were Rev. and Mrs. Kirby, Miss Rowsell, C. of E. teacher; Capt. and Lieut. of the Salvation Army, and Friend Chairman of Lamaline Local Council. The Chairman asked all friends to stand while we gave three cheers for the F.P.U.
 The Chairman then asked Rev. Kirby to start God Save the King, which he did, all the friends joining in. Then dancing begun which lasted until 4 a.m., after which everyone wended their way home well satisfied with their night's pleasure. Thanking you for space, Mr. Editor,
 Yours truly,
 HENRY TULK,
 Treasurer.
 Point aux Gaul, Feb. 19, 1916.

Old Perlican More Union Than Ever

(Editor Mail and Advocate)
 Dear Sir,—Seeing so little in your paper from this place you may think our council not very much alive, but I may say that we are more "Union" to-day than ever.
 A few days ago we held our annual parade which was a great success. By invitation the Grate's Cove band attended in full, and the day being all that could be desired helped to make everything go well.
 After parading we returned to the hall where a dinner was served by the kind ladies, after which the hall was prepared for a concert in the evening, which drew a crowded house. In fact many of the friends had to go away because they couldn't get standing room. An enjoyable time was spent by all.
 The election of officers at our annual meeting resulted as follows: George Parrett, Chairman; Chas-

Brooking, Deputy Chairman; William Beckett, Secretary; Arthur Barrett, Treasurer; Levi J. Brooking, Financial Secretary.
 Yours truly,
 OLD PERLICAN.
 February 7, 1916.
Grates Cove Folk Hold Annual Concert
 (Editor Mail and Advocate)
 Dear Sir,—Just a word regarding our S.S. Anniversary held on the 6th. February. A splendid programme was prepared by Mr. Benson, the superintendent, assisted by Miss Gertrude Benson. Those taking part were: Miss M. B. Avery, Messrs J. H. Shelgrove, Simeon Benson, Wm. J. Martin, John Vey and Esau Cooper, Rev. Mr. Darby presided and in a short address, congratulated the young folks of Grate's Cove on their splendid entertainment.
 Yours truly,
 J. S.
 Grate's Cove, Feb. 7, 1916.

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Winterton Council Holds Annual Parade

Fishermen Will Stand by Coaker, and Fight for a Fishermen's Government.

(Editor Mail and Advocate)
 Dear Sir,—Please favour me with a little space in your esteemed paper to make a few remarks about the annual parade of the F. P. U. at Winterton, which took place on the 17th of January, the day appointed by the Trinity District Council.

Being favored with a mild day the members of the F.P.U. assembled at the S. U. F. Hall at 11 a.m. fully determined to make it a red letter day for the F. P. U. in Winterton. After a brief speech from our worthy Chairman, our ranks were formed, headed by the British Ensigns with the F. P. U. colors following, also the brass band of the L. O. A.
 Some of our good men had a dory prepared for the occasion and placed two of our old friends, who passed the 75th year, into the boat, next to the band, and was drawn along by the members to show that we honour our old worn-out fishermen who have helped to build up this poor Terra Nova. Long may they live to see some more changes brought about by the great F.P.U.
 After marching to the western side of the Harbour we marched to the extreme end of the place and then returned to the hall. Our worthy Chairman then read a circular letter, which gave many union men more determination to go ahead and stand by President Coaker. Speeches were then called for by the Chairman, which was delivered by Friends Robert Hiscock and Samuel Pinhorn and

others on the great work of the F.P.U. After tea a most enjoyable time was spent which was kept up till the sma' wee hours of the morning, all feel the annual parade day of the F.P.U. of 1916 will long be remembered by the people of Winterton.
 Go ahead Mr. Coaker the people of the North are more determined than ever to stand by you in your good work in the uplifting of us poor toilers.

Yours truly,
 CORRESPONDENT.
 Winterton, Feb'y 10, 1916.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

One of the most unique parcels ever sent through the mails was one containing a live skunk, which was recently delivered at Murphysboro, Ill. The clerks and deliverymen hurried it forward with the utmost speed, no one caring to keep its company very long.

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