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Between Assam and Burma lies the State of Manipur, garrisoned by a battalion of the Assam Rifles. Its dominant Hindu race inhabit a fertile valley or plateau surrounded by forest-clad hills, in which live wild tribes of Kukis and Nagas. For many years these tribes have given us trouble, but in 1917 when H. H. the Maharajah of Manipur was raising a corps of hill-men for service behind the lines in France some of the Kuki chiefs refused either to contribute their quota or to let their neighbours do so. It was hoped that their attitude was due to misunderstanding and that they would be prevailed on to change it; but emboldened probably by absurd stories that the garrison usually maintained in the State had been drained away to supply men for the war, the chief became more and more defiant, and in October when the Political Agent marched with an escort to the village of Moubi intending to arrest the Chief Ngulthop, who had disobeyed a summons to come and discuss matters, the chief and all his men fled into the jungle leaving no alternative but to burn the village as a punishment.

Still the trouble only smouldered, and steps were being taken to give the contumacious chiefs a last chance of making their peace, when the Chins in the neighbouring Province of Burma broke into rebellion. This outbreak was soon followed by acts of violence on the part of the Kukis of Manipur, who began by looting some Nepali settlements in the south of the Manipur Valley and threatened to raid Imphal. Mr. Higgins, marching with an escort against Ukha, one of the chief offending villages, met with considerable opposition and lost some sepoy and followers killed or wounded by fire from Kukis hidden in the jungle. Captain Coote, commanding his escort, was missed at close range, and hit by splinters from a tree. About the same time the escort conveying the Political Agent, Mr. Cosgrave, to the Burmese Frontier was fired on at a river crossing and a few men were hit, including a Naga who was carrying Mr. Cosgrave across the ford. Mr. Higgins' column burned Ukha and other hostile villages, but the punishment was not enough to bring the rebels to their senses for shortly afterwards a party of Kukis raided Manipur Police Post at Tengnoupal, killing the Havildar and another man; four Manipuri traders were killed in another part of the hills, and communication interrupted except on the main cart road. Clearly it was necessary to punish and disarm the rebels, and as soon as Mr. Higgins returned to Imphal after burning Ukha, two strong columns of the Assam Rifles were despatched: with Messrs. Cosgrave and Higgins, respectively, against the rebellious chief in the Southern and South Eastern Hills, while the Government of Burma sent columns to co-operate from their side, and the Deputy Commissioner of the Naga Hills marched against the Kuki villages near the border of his district. Mr. Cosgrave met with little serious opposition and destroyed several rebel villages and a good deal of property, and has returned to Imphal after meeting the Burmese officers at Tamu.

Mr. Higgins had harder fighting and his escort had several casualties, two riflemen and one follower killed and eight riflemen and four followers wounded, but he, too, has been successful in burning a number of the rebel villages and taking their cattle and other property. The Naga Hills column is still operating in the hills, having had some fighting, while another column has started from Silchar to march to Imphal and reopen the bridge path. The pacification of these tribes is difficult owing to the nature of the country, steep and jungle-clad hills, and the fighting tactics of the enemy, who lurk in the jungle, fire at the approaching force, and disappear without awaiting the attack. They are half nomadic and attach little value to their villages but they will soon feel the effects of the destruction of their food supplies and of the harrying that prevents them cultivating, and by organized co-operation between the forces of the Government of Assam and Burma their resistance should soon be broken. Two columns of Assam Rifles are co-operating with the Burma Government in that province.

DIFFICULTIES as to religion in the Army are not new. The dictators are not always on sure ground. When a literary man went to attest a couple of years or so ago, the officer responsible put it to him after man, "Church of England, I suppose?" and they all answered in the affirmative until it came to the journalist. "No, Dissenter," he said firmly. The officer gasped: "Well, but—er—don't believe in the Bible, don't you?" he said.

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London still stands; it may perhaps be necessary to state that in view of the remarkable fictions furnished by the German propagandists. London stands to-day to all but the very minutest examination, absolutely unscathed by the war. After long months at the front and in hospital an Australian friend of mine spent a week of convalescence in a deliberate and careful search for London's wounds. With a ten year's knowledge of London and the use of a friendly motor, he was well equipped as an explorer.

"Hun frightfulness has left the great old city practically without a scar," he said. "No monument, no bridge, no railway station, no church, no club, no big public building, no renowned hotel nor famous restaurant, nor great shop has been wrecked nor even injured. One famous monument has a few scratches on its plinth; no more damage than a runaway dray might cause. One great public building scored a hit which did slight damage to a part of its top floor. One shop had a work-room damaged. For the rest of the air-raid effect, it is necessary to search closely in the poorer residential quarters where in the total of all greater London perhaps a few score houses in all have been hit."

"That total is only a guess. I was able to find three only, and had to take others on trust. Give the average

man with no special facilities of enquiry a week to search, and he would probably fail to find a visible sign that London had ever been raided by Hun zeppelins or aeroplanes."

I can endorse my Australian friend's verdict. One thing has become clear to me from my own explorations, that the Hun airman either could not take, or did not wish to take, aim at any definite object of importance. Evidently they fired, as it were, into the brown of the homes, and all their scores practically were in poor industrial quarters away from any place of military value. They have aimed at massed habitations; mere murder; not warfare.

There is no need to specify this or that church, monument or world-known place as unharmed. All are intact; absolutely all. The pilgrim to London to-day—whether he wished to visit the shrines where the system of Parliamentary government had its origin and spread over the civilized world, or the places made memorable in the struggles for civil and religious liberty and for the freedom of the Press, would find nothing demolished nothing damaged. If he would seek the traces of the German hatred of civilisation he would have to go to the humble cemeteries, or search in the hearts bereaved parents, whose children playing in the streets, or studying at school desks found death falling from the skies.

Often I went, with a half-formed wish in my heart, to see one or other of the very ugly statues and memorials that throw into high relief the quiet beauty of the London parks and squares. But these have all escaped, too. Yet some of them would be so much the better for a little bombing. With no reserve to my satisfaction I found that not a tree of the many thousands in avenues, in groves, or in simple magnificence that I had learned to love as part of the perfection of some beautiful corner of London had been hit. The beauty as well as the negligence had been spared. One bomb hit in a park I tracked down. The bomb had not even destroyed a flower bed or a shrub, but it had "sliced the turf" as it Beelzebub had gone golfing with a pillar from the hall of Hades as his driver.

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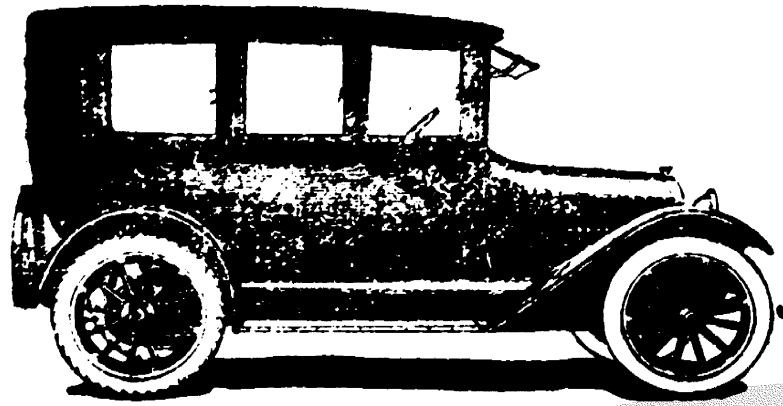
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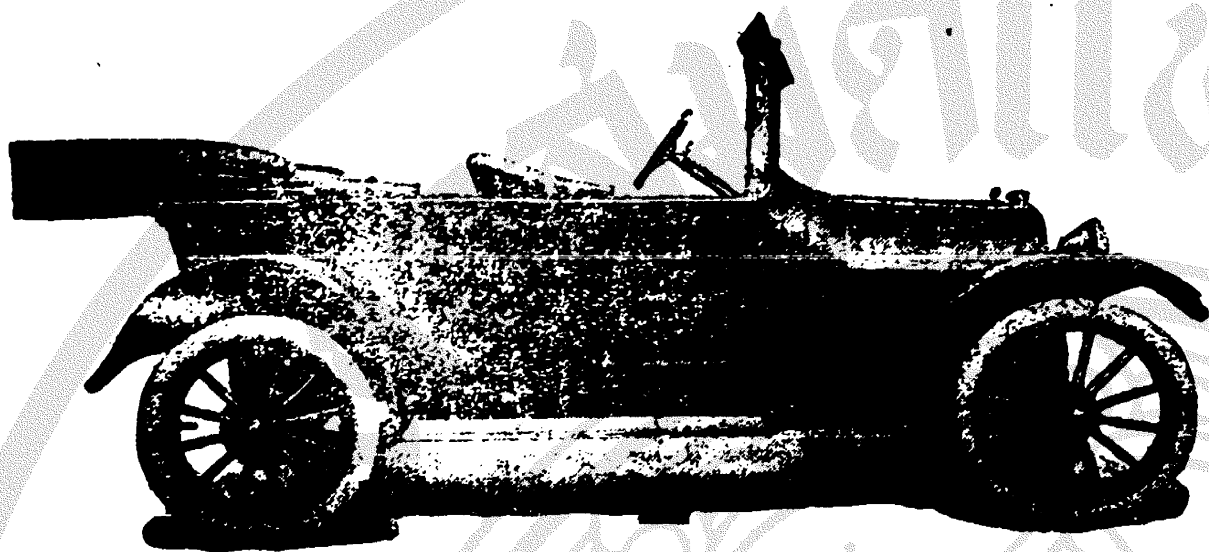




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## In Northern France.

### The Destroyed Villages.

In the pages of Froissart there is an account of an English Army setting out from Calais six centuries ago to march across that country where today the lines of trenches run through Northern France. It went by Arras and Bapaume and St. Quentin, and it was on its way to besiege the town of Rheims.

Froissart tells how it carried with it all its provisions, because so hardly had wars pressed on that unhappy country of Picardy that for three years the crops had not been sown. He tells, too, how the army found the villages as deserted as the fields, for the people had fled into the fortified towns. But if the fields were untilled and the villages empty, at least the fields and the villages were there. The people would come again to fill them and live in them when the armies had passed. The awful tragedy of this desolation which the German invasion has brought on north of France, is that so many of the peasants, coming again to what was once their home, will find not a well nor a tree nor even a field that they can recognise.

Going through that sad reclaimed territory of France, one passes by village after village that had ceased to be villages that have become mere heaps of rubbish, each with a littered and broken road running through it. In some you would see that of those houses where once men and women lived there is not a fragment left so large that you could not pick it up in your hand.

Some again have escaped this utter destruction, to remain grotesque and awful ghosts of what they once were. There are houses of which the roofs are gone but the rafters remain, the four walls are there, but they have more holes in them than stones. Yet by some strange chance these houses will stand; they will have the shape of houses, and they are more pitiful even than a heap of stones, frail things that once were strong and habitable, and now look no more substantial than the shelter of a dried leaf.

As with the houses so with some of the villages. They have kept some appearance of a village. You can see a street, littered and broken, but still a street. You can see on either side of it rows of ruins that are to be recognised as houses. It was so at Comblès. It was so as one went down the broad street of Villers Carbonnel near Peronne. But they were like streets abandoned for a hundred years and left to decay. Then one would come across heaps of rubbish with things on them, like the books and tapestries in the streets of Peronne, that must have been

dragged out from the houses, and broken and torn only a few hours since.

In many of the villages our troops as they came in found strange cases of fragile things that, by chance had escaped in the midst of wholesale destruction. In Le Barque there was one house, which was nothing but a pile of stones, but a cart and perambulator were whole among the rubbish. In Athie where the centre of the place was the huge crater of a mine that the Germans had exploded, you could recognise that the walls which stood had once been the walls of houses by the paper which was still on them. In yet another village the church clock was whole and upright, but it stood on the ground. Behind it was a high pile of stones, all that remained of the church. These things only made the destruction more pitiful. Where it had been complete there was nothing left to remind one of the past.

Villages may be built again out of the ruins, but as one passes through that reclaimed country, and sees the woods that the Germans cut down, and the shell holes and the mine holes and all that indescribable confusion of churned and tortured soil which was once the rich fields of France, one feels the very earth has been changed, that it is dead; that nothing can ever grow in it again.

There is story of an old peasant who was taken back to his village near the Somme. He went along what had once been his village street, he found, and climbed over the heap of stones which had once been his house. But he said nothing and his face did not change. They he went on up the hill to where his fields had been, and looked round all that empty desolate place. It was then he spoke "But, it is not France" he said.

Other wars have passed like a storm across that country, and have cut down its life, but this war, and all the work of the Germans there, have done something which no other war has done. They seem to have torn it out by the roots. These ruins went deep into the centuries. Many of the towns of northern France, with their houses of wood and their old walls were like the little fortified towns of the XIIIth and XIVth centuries. So too among the people there were old customs and old sports, and in their speech and their faces things that told of a distant past which still lived.

It is all this which one feels has gone, and will never come again. One feels that though the tortured, dead earth may be made habitable once more that it will be a new and changed life which will grow in it; those desolated villages and fields have lost their past.

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Klong Toi "	7.15	10.15	1.30	4.30	*Ban Nang Greng "	8.35	11.35	2.50	5.50
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### Seventeenth Century Canada.

The following interesting article is taken from an American paper:

Quebec and its French-Canadian population are a distinct and rather set-apart factor in the life of Canada. The general conception, and a correct one of the vast Dominion just across our northern border, is that it is a country much like our own, brimming over with the energy that grasps all modern innovations. It surprises many, however, to learn that in some parts of the Province of Quebec conditions have changed little since the days of the first French pioneers. This is true only, however, of some parts of Quebec, for all the remainder of the Dominion is exceedingly up-to-date.

The French-Canadian of Quebec is above all else a landowner and passionately attached to his acres, few though they may be in number. In the beginning the land was owned by the Seigneurs who parcelled it out to the people; they in turn paid a small rental in the shape of taxes. The tax was an acknowledgment of the Seigneurs' rights to reclaim the lands. This state of affairs was intolerable to the people, who insisted and secured the right to own the land in fee. At the same time they took to themselves

The Name "Habitant," meaning "free inhabitant," a term of which they were, and still are, justly proud and jealous.

The Habitant of to-day lives in the same manner and often in the same house as did his great-grandfather. An investigation in 1908 established the fact that there were two hundred and seventy families living on homesteads that have been occupied by their families for more than two hundred years. This is a charmingly old-fashioned district full of things quaint and old-fashioned. The villages are many, they lie nestled in the hills or sit beside some pretty stream. Usually they are named after some saint, there being fifty St. Annes alone. These hamlets consist for the most part of a single street that is lined with close-set houses, the land running back from the roadway in long, narrow strips. The object of such arrangement was to secure safety for the inhabitants in those bygone days when the

Blood Curdling Yell of the Redskin might sound a call to arms at any hour of day or night. The houses and barns painted white with doors and blinds of deep red, green or brown, as suits the householder's fancy, present a quaint, old-world effect. Most of the houses are of the three-room variety capped by a loft reached by a ladder, but circumscribed as these quarters are, they are no bar to large families. These humble roofs shelter on an average from ten to fifteen children, often as many as twenty. Early marriages and many children are matters of pride among the habitants.

Let us peep into one of these homes. Our knock is answered by one of the daughters, a ruddy-cheeked, raven-tressed mam'zelle, who bids us welcome. The mother rises from her rocking chair beside the spinning wheel and adds her welcome. She is clad in homely garb of worn blue cotton, but wears it with all the dignity and grace with which French women have worn gay silks and heavy velvets. Another daughter is at a loom whose shuttles fly back and forth with lightning rapidity. We learn that she

Weaves the Cloth that clothes the whole family as well as the household linens. A kettle is singing on the hob in the wide stone fireplace. All is spotlessly clean and inviting. Over a homemade cabinet is suspended a violin. Madame tells us it was made by her husband, who has taught several of the children to play upon it, and they have many a gay evening in the winter time. Has she many children? Oh, not so many—still enough to bring a flash of pride to her eyes twelve! That is the eldest son, and she points proudly to the photograph of a priest. The second son is married and lives near by, while the Fils No. 3 is a successful advocate in the neighbouring town.

This is a typical family. The daughters as a rule do not go out from the home until they leave for one of their own. They help with all the work of the farm, both indoors and out, and the wife, when not busy with babies, works side by side with her husband. The community centres about

The Parish Church and the Curé is the priest in more than name. He welcomes his people into the world and attends them each step along the road of life—a visiting, helping, cautioning—until he lays them away in the little churchyard. The many religious fêtes and processions appeal to the simple, light-hearted people, who love amusements and they turn out to the last man to participate in these events. Not only are they regular in attendance at church, but also worship at the many roadside shrines and the lack of self-consciousness in which they kneel before these crosses, oblivious of whomsoever may be passing, is proof of the deep hold the church and its teachings has on their lives.

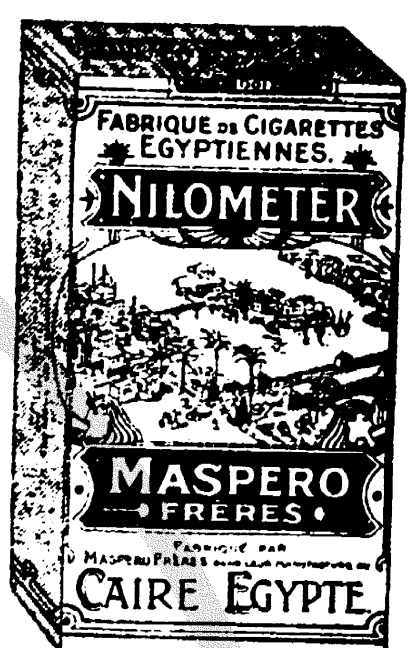
The French language is spoken almost exclusively, although most of the habitants have learned English in the schools. The newspapers are printed in French and church services held in that tongue. The people want no change. Lack of modern equipment in farming, adherence to old customs and manner of living, and antagonism to being drawn into the vital question of the day, are due to self-satisfaction in being descendants of the once greatest nation. So why change?

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## Two Kinds of Peace.

Nothing has been more remarkable in recent weeks than the consolidation of opinion regarding Mr. Lloyd George's speech on war aims. It solidified in a day all the flimsy and tendentious public opinion. The atmosphere lightened and clarified and became in a moment like a British and not a German one. The reason for this is that the speech was in touch with fact and reality. It offered to Germany terms well worth her accepting if she will purge her mind of that moral corruption of values which has infected her for fifty years with a leprosy of the mind. The Premier's speech, indeed, did not depart much from Lord Lansdowne's letter on the one side or President Wilson's declaration on the other. If the offer is rejected Germany can expect a military and economic punishment from the Allies that will bleed her white and leave her bankrupt.

The plain fact is that there are two kinds of peace open to the enemy. In one case he can re-enter the comity of nations and come once more within the pale of civilisation. To do so he must abjure the nightmare of world domination and accept the right of individuals and nationalities—that plinth on which civilisation has been built up like a coral reef by the innumerable labours of centuries. This is the first offer both of Mr. Lloyd George and of President Wilson.

In the second case the sword decides—and the edge of the prohibitive tariff is as keen as that of the naked blade. That is to say, that the terms arranged between the combatants will be based strictly on "real politics" and on the military situation. Here, if the armies of France, Italy, the United States, and the British Empire overthrow the German hosts on the western front this year, no mercy will be shown to Germany. If, on the other hand, the enemy succeeds in retaining a sufficiency of his European conquests to bargain with, still the peace of the sword will reign. Neither side will give up territory except for value received, and neither party will in reality lay aside their weapon.

Both sides will look on their past achievements and present powers as so many outposts to protect them against a renewal of the struggle. Germany will not then give up the hope of the road to the East, and Great Britain will not give up Palestine on that road to Egypt, or Bagdad on that road to India. Neither will France or England permit Germany to train in Africa a black swarm of soldiers for their destruction. Nor will America and the British Empire throw away their economic arms

nor the control of the raw material of the world which is theirs.

The Anglo-Saxon peoples can ruin the hothouse plant of German export industry by lifting their little fingers, and even the Germans know it. It is likely that we shall not withhold the sinews of war from men who still declare that their ambition is the conquest of the world and the enslavement of mankind? It is, then, for Germany to decide which kind of peace she will have. We offer peace under international law and sanction. The real trouble is that no one knows who or what is Germany. For instance, if General Baron Freytag-Loringhoven's amazingly interesting book, "Deductions from the World War" (Cunstable, 2s. 6d. net), really represents the bulk of the enemy, "when we speak to them of peace they make them ready for battle." The general, in a cold and dispassionate survey of the present war, is chiefly concerned to deduce from it the lessons for the

next. He is almost grateful to Kitchener's army for bringing German infantry tactics up to date. Like Napoleon, in a moment of aberration he deliberately thinks war a "belle occupation," and has no more concern for the two millions of Germans whom we have accounted for than if they were so many sheep.

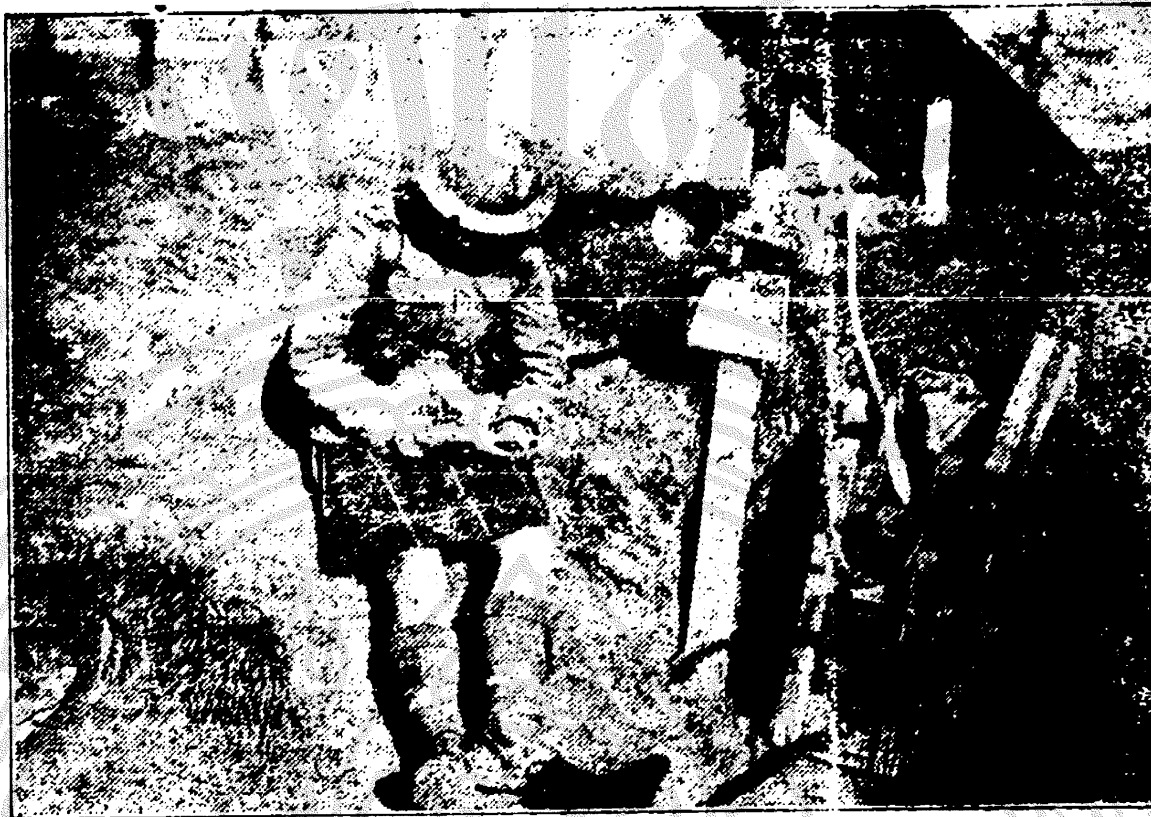
The Government ought to circulate this book free to the public, if it is to understand what is it up against in military Junkerdom, for the book is the last word in courteous and scientific brutality.

But is the Baron General the real Germany? I doubt it. Something moves there, too, in the minds of men to meet the justice of Russia and the Allies. It moves timorously because the hereditary bondsman still hears the clank of his fetters. We have here the usual history of a people dreaming dreams of idealism yet strangely plastic to authority, and the dreams and the authority are once more in conflict.

The Socialists of all schools would accept terms, and so would the majority of the Catholics. Civil Germany, as represented by von Kuhlmann, would do the same if it dared defy its extremists. In fact, the majority of Germany is for peace at some price; military headquarters are against peace at any price. A house divided against itself may not stand, but at least it is very difficult to do business with. We never know from day to day who is in control of Germany—Hindenburg, Ludendorff, the Chancellor, the Reichstag majority, or von Kuhlmann, the "criminel". The Kaiser is merely the cipher who gives the deciding vote differently on alternate days. All these things are not as some may think, "a matter of high debate, where State-bred scholars are" but the very stuff of our daily life. For the decision between the peace of nations and the peace of the sword must colour the existence of every man in England now living.

Many of us have dreamed not ignoble dreams of an Empire secure in its position and its past, within the charmed circle of international agreement, devoting its powers, its romance, and its immense abilities to making life a happier and a better thing for the millions who compose it. A great fresher of new life shot out by the stress of the war was to write us into this earthly paradise. And this the peace of nations might give us.

Not so peace by the sword. The rosiest vision vanishes, and a sterner picture of an iron age rises in its place. Once more the lies will be set for the contest, and England, drawing once again on the deep wellsprings of its historic past, must abjure delights and bend itself to the struggle for liberty and for the defence of even greater frontiers against the foes of the human race. — (Strait Times)



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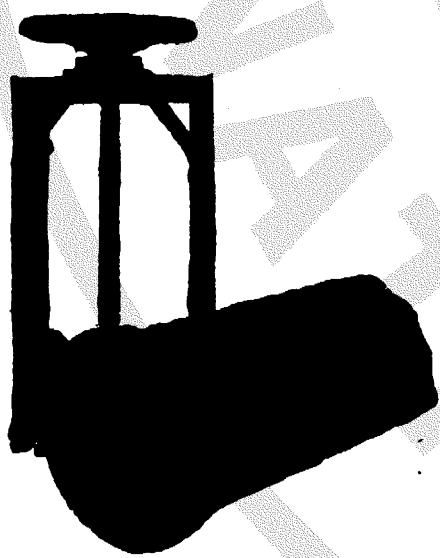
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