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A MERE SUGGESTION

The Government of this country are still looking around for methods in in which to raise revenue from the people, the latest move in this direction in Ontario being the new tax on automobiles and prospective benedicts. Instead of encouraging miserly old batchelors to commit matrimony, they discourage them by raising the marriage license fee! Yet the possible sources of additional revenue have not all been explored even yet. A few years ago the Ontario Legislature boosted their own salaries in a marked degree, and some of the cabinet ministers now get the price of two good farms put in their pockets every year. By close investigation the government might discover that these salaries would bear a tax sufficient to cut them in half and thus add handsomely to the revenue. Of course this is merely, and also diffidently, thrown out as a suggestion with a faint hope—very faint—that it may be acted upon.

HUN, TURK—TURK, HUN

For many years the Turk has been justly considered the bloodthirsty ghoul of Europe and Asia by all Christendom, and England was called upon years ago to undertake the duty of wiping this blot of the nineteenth century off the face the earth. She was not strong enough to undertake the work alone at that time and national jealousies made an allied operation impossible. But the time was coming, and now is here, when England, assisted by harmonious allies, can do the work. And it will be done. After this war the Turkish empire will no longer stinck in the nostrils of those who believe in the sacredness of life and liberty.

But what of Germany? Has she proved herself one whit better than the Turk? In her rape of Belgium she has placed herself on the same plane exactly as that of the Mesopotamian murderers and destroyers of women and children. How can any man endowed with a knowledge of the code of morals accepted by them through Bible teaching enter a plea for tender treatment of Prussianism when the time for squaring accounts arrives? The world has been too much horrified by the atrocious bestiality displayed by Hun and Turk to play Good Samaritan to them. It will be the Rightious Judge who will meet out a righteous judgment. They have cast their lots together and together they must perish in order that humanity may go forward toward the goal of universal brotherhood.

Letters From The Boys In Khaki

Work of the Canadian Guns

This is a beautiful Sunday morning, sunny, warm anb fresh. The birds are singing all around, everyone seems to be whistling, the kiddies are playing around our little camp, everyone looks happy and on the whole it is a very pleasant place to be.

Over the hill, up toward "the line," I hear a "crrrump" every few minutes—that's the Huns. Then up the line a bit our guns come "bang, bang, bang" back at them—usually 3 to 1. But it's fairly quiet on the whole except for motors passing the camp or horses trotting by.

I'm out in rest for six glorious days—no worries except a parade once in a while, or a bit of writing to do, or a pleasure trip to town ; go to bed when I like and get up when I please. The relaxation is great, for we've been very busy of late—to the sorrow of sundry Hun trenches.

So you'd like to know about our work? Would you like to spend an afternoon with me in the trenches? Well, here we are.

Up in front is a trench mortar. Carefully laid near is a large number of 60 lb bombs ready for firing. Glancing over the parapet you see a black line of heaped up earth running along the crest of a hill. You don't it for more than a second because i's a dangerous black line—the Huns are i side and probably using periscopes.

Around the gun its crew are clustered, waiting Everything is ready for the 'show", so they sim ply wait, and chaff each other. In a dugout of sand-bags a few feet away, a signaller sits with a telephone at his ear ready to take orders for the crew. And now we'll see the other end.

Up an a small hill behind the lines a few hundred yards away is an observation post commanding an excellent view of the Hun trenches. In this another signaller sits with telephone at his ear. The officer steps up to a telescope, adjusts it to target, and orders "Load and report when ready." A moment later comes back the reply "Ready Sir."

The officer's command "Fire" is repeated into the telephone, the gun is heard to go off, the bomb flies up into the air, curves gracefully over and drops. A moment's suspense, then a huge mass of earth flies into the air, and a resounding crash is heard from the enemy line. But little damage was done. The range was too far.

For the next round the range is shortened. Back goes the order "Range 360—fire". Another bomb goes up, curves over, and drops, slowly at first, then faster and faster. Breathlessly we watch through the telescope,—will it hit the trench, will it go over or will it fall short? Finally it crashes down squarely into the enemy trench ! A huge black cloud of smoke and earth flies into the air. Mixed with the cloud we see trench boards, stakes, corrugated iron and other debris. A beauty—dugouts evidently !

"Repeat—Fire" goes back over the wires ; and one more bomb goes into the air and down again once more into the enemy trench, on its mission of destruction.

Another bomb is dropped on the edge of the parapet, blows a huge hole in it and fills up the trench at that point.

Finally the order is given "Five more left—Range 390—Fire," and we turn our attention to another point in the enemy lines.

The same process is once more gone through, and a good deal of the German trench is blown up. A good many rounds fall either too short or too long, but a sufficient number fall in the trenches or on dugouts to make life jolly unpleasant for any Huns who may be around—also to supply jobs for working parties for several nights to come.

Of course we don't have it all our way. Often the "whizz bangs" come over thick and fast around the gun, but experience soon teaches how to avoid them. Sometimes "sausages" come too close for comfort. These are just a little bit of our own medicine—a form of German trench mortar bomb which makes a nasty "sizz" coming through the air and explodes with a terrible crash. But of late we have had very little trouble in return for our fun. Possibly Fritz is too busy down south. Anyway our bombs are much bigger than the sausages, and do far more damage. And we have a larger supply than Fritz has, too, so now we hold the upper hand in this particular form of sport.

Well, enough bombs have been sent over for one day, so the order goes down "Cease fire," and very soon things are quiet once more, and the gun crew goes home—"home" being sand-bag and corugated iron dugouts, not very far away.

Just for fun we take a walk up to the front line. In one bay a sentry wearing a steel helmet appears very much excited. his eyes seem glued to his periscope, but seeing an officer he proffers the long green box and exclaims "Look at 'em, Sir ; they're coming back in the trench the dirty——; see 'em climbing over that hole."

We look in the end of the periscope, see reflected plainly our own mass of barbed wire, then a stretch of one or two hundred yards of green grass and grey chicory, then a mass of German wire, and behind it that same black line of dirt we saw before.

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