

NOTES AND COMMENTS

Russia has had a series of prosperous years which writers on world politics are celebrating as if the sole object of production were war.

Another authority on world politics questions the gain to be derived from seizing occupied lands and the people who own them.

War, then, is an agency for the promotion of the export of capital. The industrial classes pay taxes of hundreds of millions in order that financial speculations may be made by the promoters and gambling syndicates, with the backing of the armies and navies.

Where do the masses come in on this war game? How is it to their interest that the nations should always be arrayed against one another as if they were angry dogs spoiling for a fight?

THE FIGHTING INSTINCT.

The Last of Battle Lies at the Roots of Our Nature.

Of all the instincts with which human nature is endowed the fighting instinct is the keenest and the oldest, and all the habits taught or enforced by education, by law or by custom are but curbs upon it.

The civilian responds so readily to battle conditions because he sheds habits and reverts to his ancestral type. It has taken him years to acquire the rudiments of his craft, trade or profession, and all the social etiquette of his class.

Originator of the Red Cross.

We hear and read a lot in these days about the Red Cross, but how many of us can say, writes a London correspondent, that we know the founder of this international movement was Henri Dunant, who died only four years ago?

Never judge the age of women or boys by outward appearances.

HEALTH

Infantile Convulsions.

Convulsions are spasmodic muscular contractions of the body, quite beyond the control of the person who suffers from them.

Epileptic convulsions, however, usually appear later in life and almost all the attacks that occur in childhood are the result of rickets, which is, in turn, caused by improper feeding or by some local irritation.

Convulsions always indicate an unstable condition of the nervous system. We do not look for stability of the nervous system in babies, and we most certainly cannot expect to find it in babies who have not rickets.

Rheumatic patients derive much benefit if they are rubbed with turpentine in a warm room.

Health Notes.

Do not visit the sick when you are fatigued, or when in a state of perspiration, or with the stomach empty, for in such conditions you are very liable to take the infection.

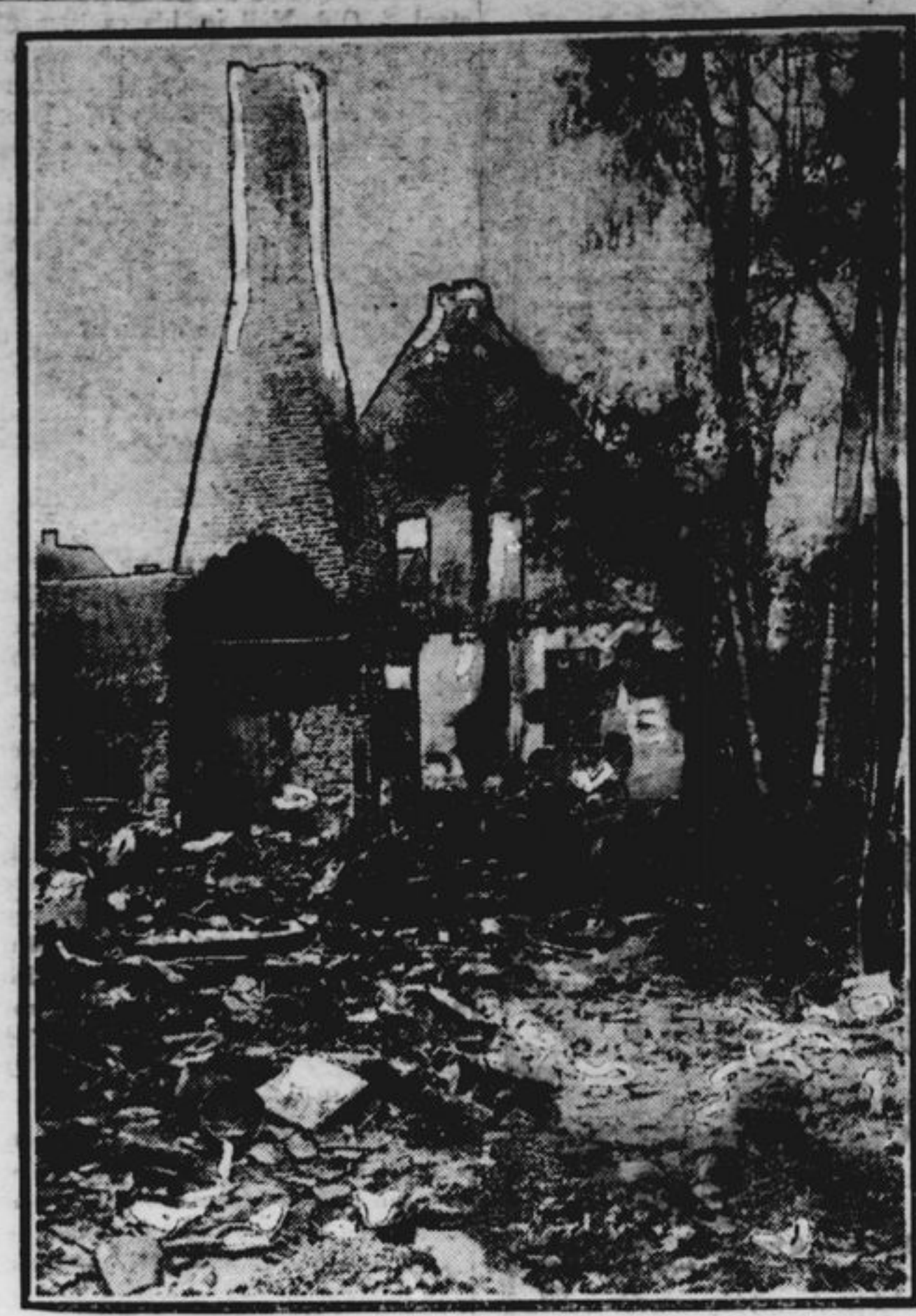
ABSENTE DEFINED.

In the End the User Becomes Like a Pig, Said Moor.

An old Moor said of absinthe: "It is an invention of the evil one. On its roots he pours the blood of a peacock; then, when the leaves begin to grow, he sprinkles them with the blood of a monkey; then he dips the stalks in the blood of a bear; lastly, he mingles with the juice of the plant the blood of a pig."

No.

He-What would you say if I asked you to be my wife? She-As little as possible.



Ruins Caused by German Artillery at Boire, France.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

INTERNATIONAL LESSON. NOVEMBER 22.

Lesson VIII.—Jesus and Pilate. Matt. 27. 11-31. Golden Text, Matt. 27. 22.

Verses 11, 12. Art thou the King of the Jews?—Jesus had called himself the "Christ," not the "King" of the Jews. The Jews accuse him to Pilate as wanting to be the King of the Jews so as to make a political affront and the more readily catch Pilate's ear.

13. Hearst thou not how many things they witness against thee?—The leaders and the multitude were unbridled in their speech. They were making whatever accusations against Jesus happened to come into their minds.

BIRD WITH A BROKEN WING.

I walked through the woodland meadows, Where sweet the thrushes sing, And found on a bed of mosses A bird with a broken wing;

I saw a young life broken By sin's seductive art, And touched with a tender pity, And sought him to my heart.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

In a manner of speaking, the dentist is a dealer in extracts. The only use some men seem to have for heads is to butt in.

Real faith is needed before a man can buy a bottle of hair restorer of a bald-headed druggist.

Young Folks

Betty's Color Party.

"Why, Lily Williams, there's a big spot of green on your dress!" "Where is it?" Lily asked, as she stopped her game of drop the handkerchief.

"Stand out in the sun, Lily," Aunt Fanny said.

"The light of the sun is necessary. I'll tell you how you can have some fun at home. Find a red, a blue, and a yellow book and place them, one at a time, in the sun on a piece of white paper.

"No," Aunt Fanny answered. "The light of the sun is necessary. I'll tell you how you can have some fun at home. Find a red, a blue, and a yellow book and place them, one at a time, in the sun on a piece of white paper.

HOW TO AVOID CONSUMPTION.

Precautions Issued by Ontario Provincial Board of Health.

1. The special measures required for producing conditions destructive to the virulence of tubercle bacilli may have good red and green look to it at a time, in the sun on a piece of white paper.

COURAGE AND SACRIFICE

Here Is a Truth to Be Established, a Wrong to Be Blasted, a Right to Be Achieved.

"The thing was true, but the time appointed was long."—Daniel x. 1.

No burden heavier to be borne meets the brave prophet of the better day than that of the slow progress of his cause; no fact harder to accept, as John Morley puts it, than that of "the vast space which every ray of light has to traverse before it reaches the eye of the common understanding."

SOONER THAN

Ship Went Down and Tho Sang the Nation

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Fashion Hints

Fads and Fancies.

Long fur capes are a new feature. Indigo blue sable cloth is in great demand.

Tucked net waists and collars are coming in.

Circular skirts are worn with long coats.

The sway of the sash is literally unbounded.

Fox collars are general on evening wraps.

Black gloves are more frequently seen than formerly.

A lovely bronze green is among the favorite shades.

Homespun and tweeds are good style for the young.

Quiet, soft colors are likely to be in vogue for winter.

Plain serge skirts are now being made with box plaits.

The latest brassieres are lined with flesh colored silk.

Fans in black and white are one of the winter novelties.

Hip pockets are one of the military features now seen.

Dark green is firmly settled among the staple colors.

Massive necklaces of cut jet are among the most striking.

Rhinestone and sterling silver jewelry is popular.

It looks as though the long coat suit would reign supreme.

Even broadtail cloth coats have enormously wide girdles.

The military coat has military braiding and barrel buttons.

A lovely evening gown is of green crystal net over white satin.

Some of the serge dresses have cape collars and tunic skirts.

Children are wearing striped skirts with solid color jackets.

Beaded and metallic trimmings are favored for evening gowns.

THOUGHTS FOR THE DAY.

It is only the man who deserves a kindness who knows how to be grateful for it.—Arnold.

Expenditure is necessary for the protection of those who are charitably inclined and sometimes misled.—Mr. Pearce Campbell.

We are not going to step until we have searched the German Army, the German Navy and the spirit of German militarism.—Earl Grey.

There has been no war for more than a century which the action has entered on with so general a belief that the action was justified.—Viscount Bryce.

Many have puzzled themselves about the origin of evil. I observe there is evil, and that there is a way to escape it; and with this I begin and end.—John Newton.

Justice is itself the great standing policy of civil society; and any circumstance, lies under the sap of being no policy at all.—Burke.

If a man be gracious and courteous to strangers it shows he is a citizen of the world, and that his heart is no island cut off from other lands, but a continent that joins to them.—Bacon.

There is an idea abroad among moral people that they should make their neighbors good. One person I have to make good—myself. But my duty to my neighbor is not more nearly expressed by saying that I love to make him happy.—I may.—R. L. Stevenson.

The average girl hasn't much time for her kin until after she is married and has little trouble of her own.

SPREADS TO CHILDREN

Several Living Near Infected the Found with Sore Mouths.

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ARMY OF 20

Gen. Dank's Forces

Wards Hun

A despatch from London is reported from Petrograd that the Austrian army retreating in Galicia has been caught by the Russian armies and must accept certain defeat.

QUEEN PAID VISIT TO WOUNDED

Gladdened Hearts of Soldiers Gifts of Pipes and Clothing.

A despatch from London says: Queen Mary paid a visit to the hospital in Devonshire, to inspect the American Women's Hospital, where some 200 wounded soldiers from the front are being treated.

Accompanied by Lady Paget, Lady Randolph and Lewis Harcourt, members of the Hospital Committee, and her personal suite, the Queen left London for more than two hours, were passed in visiting the hospital, and during their personal visits, she gave gifts of pipes, shirts, cigarettes and warm mufflers.

The Queen, who was shown the wards by Dr. Howard N. B. and other American members of staff, which is entirely American and consists of two American Cross units of six surgeons and nurses, was greatly struck by the efficiency displayed, which is entirely due to American efforts, the whole sum needed for the support of the hospital being contributed by Americans.

ESCAPED AS FREEMEN.

Ten Officers of the Kaiser Wilhelm Break Parole.

A despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company of London says: Las Palmas, Canary Islands, has ten officers from the Kaiser Wilhelm Lloyd steamer Kaiser Wilhelm who were captured in the war by the British cruiser Highflyer, who was a Dutch steamer, disguised as a German steamer, moored in the harbor at Las Palmas.

Loss of Monmouth "Presumed."

A despatch from London says: The Admiralty published the names of 22 officers and warrant officers who were aboard the British cruiser Good Hope when it was sunk by the German cruiser Monmouth in the Chile. The names include that of Rear-Admiral Sir Christopher Cradock, commander of the British ships. The Monmouth had aboard 42 officers. The captain of the Good Hope was Philip Franklin. The captain of the Monmouth was Frank Brandt. The Admiralty announces that in the absence of further information the loss of the Monmouth is now "officially presumed."

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