AS RESULT OF LONG, STEADY to the cartoonist: The trouble is that Litovsk for their own peace propa-AND CO-ORDINATED EFFORT

tish War Office, the Admiralty and the Minister of Munitions.

O one man or one department the War Office, the Admiralty, and the Ministry of Munitions.

belligerents on the western front had settled down to trench warfare. became obvious that some means of parrying the danger of well-directed and well-protected machine gun fire discovered if the British infantry was to carry out assaults with suc-

One of the first proposals put forward was for a machine 100 feet long, 46 feet high, and 80 feet wide, weighing some 200 tons, propelled by an 800 horse; power engine, and with driving wheels 40 feet in diameter. Another early suggestion, and the one which led most directly days of fierce political strife, when is, not whether Germany will win the hitariously, leaving them in the to the "tanks," was made by Colonel Swinton in October, 1914, to build armored cars on a tractor system, an American invention. Experiments a leaf out of the soldier's notebook if inflicting more heavy casualties, to God's help; when Belgium suffered with various tractors were made on we would continue to smile and to persuade them to abandon their unspeakable horrors, when the vilbehalf of the War Office and by a laugh off the gloomy forebodings that fight for a general European settle- lages of Northern France were demiralty under Winston Churchill, read the speeches of political oppon- battle line. What Germany is now their men killed, their women outsmall expert committee of the Adthen First Lord. Through the me- ents and gasp with suppressed emo- affer is to get peace in the West on raged and deported into slavery, it dium of the Committee of Imperial tion as we are forced to listen to the the basis of the situation of August, was claimed, that all this was done Defence the various efforts for the solution of the problem were 40ordinated, and certain conditions were laid down which had to be ful- to wonder if the age of laughter and rifice certain of her colonies. She

From among the numerous types of tractor inspected the most satis- the inspiring sound of laughter. Jectives now are in the East sacred places under Christian rule; factory was found to be a caterpillar Men face death and terrible priva- and in the Balkans. Her efforts to when they sacrificed thousands of with an endless self-laid track, over tions as they would a sporting adven- dominate the world by crushing lives to win by the bayonet rather which internal driving wheels could tere in the woods of the North coun- France and getting at Great Britain than the shell, which would desecrate be propelled by the engines.

In February, 1916, the first "tank" was completed and taken down to a | unquenchable spirit of galety and for "next time," not for the balance | Christ died for the brotherhood of farm near London. Here pits, jocularity. It runs through books of this war. trenches, and ramparts had been con- written by soldiers at the front; it The Congress of Brest-Litovsk will uplifting the world for two thousand structed. The tests were so satisfac- oozes from the columns of "The Dead put in definite form the fruits of years have given to us all the blesstory that an order was given on the spot for 100 machines. The Minisfor the speediest possible construcments were made during this period I go when this shelling business fight until a real settlement is atof construction, and the first delivery starts?" asks a new-comer in the tained endures through the next two It is not generally known that the was made in July, 1916.

a subsidiary machine-gun armament, These were designed for dealing at placements of German machine guns. The other, or female type, was armed only with machine guns and was more suitable for dealing with ma- Don't heed them. Grin! chine gun personnel and riflemen.

At the end of July, 1916, the You've stood the test of Service. "tanks" and their crews had become so proficient that it was possible tohold two exhibition combats over a

were loaded at night and sent to as a nation possess? In life, as well submarine campaign. Even Italy, de- felled after the fruit is gathered, France. When delivered in France, as in the front trenches, victory feated as she now obviously is, faces and sometimes indeed during the opthe "tanks" only travelled at night, comes to him who faces his opponand during the day were covered ent with laughing eyes.—The Globe. price she may have to pay is the ex- banana plantations, varying in numwith a huge tarpaulin and strictly

The first "tanks" were all painted in camouflage style for purposes of concealment, and each "tank" had its own name, like a ship. A whole series of them were named after various drinks, such as Cafe-au-Lait, Chartreuse, Chablis, Cognac, Champagne, Creme-de-Menthe. Another South Kensington. series bore names of Scotch clans-Clan Cameron, Clan Ruthven, Clan Gordon, Clan McTavish.

in that portion of the Somme offen- at the same time pushing him off The object was to drive the Germans head with a stick, exclaiming, "I'll ily sick of the conflict and wholly out of some high ground running show you how to fight!" east and south of Thiepval. The effect was an exhibitating on the for France the following morning ing to the Germans. It is recorded ed and depressed by the sight of so which they understand settled, as was completely wrecked because of British troops as it was dumbfound- | and the fact was that he was disgust that many of the British infantry- many young men in London taking they believe settled, will be brought an announcement it printed of the at their ungainly antics that they like himself-he was over 54-had vital issues raised by the Eastern Jehol.

of surprise had much to do with Canada, and thought everyone should in the West; and it is the Western office and demolished it completely field which holds our attention, but charging that the paper had endea "tanks" on their first appearance. "A most admirable sermon," re-But their achievements proved that | marked the magistrate, "but, unfor- reality settled, the larger issues are their leader." they had more solid qualities than tunately you selected a wrong exthe gift of surprise. Later in the ample. year "tanks" were sent out to Egypt Defendant said he apologized most and were in action at Gaza.

R. B. Bennett, exJM.P., Calgary, is opposed to nationalization of the Canadian raflways. There was no money for the purchase of the roads and it could not be secured now. It Government surely would not take toria Crosses. The gun in question with the German. If his will pre- pose. over the lines without paying for

Impertinence, curiosity and ignorance come pretty near being trip-

The souls of some men are tried

PRESERVE OUR HUMOR.

Let the Boys in the Trenches Teach Us a Lesson.

Stephen Leacock tells us somewhere that the first spark of primiwe humor was struck from the head of an unsuspecting cave-man, when The Meaning of the Congress at his neighbor of the Stone Age struck him with gleeful malice and sat back and laughed uproariously at the grimaces of his surprised victim. Pain and suffering, the distorted and the grotesque, these are the appeals te the humorist in the primitive stage. "Go up, thou bald head!" iid not excite the humor of the ancient prophet, but the sight of a shining crapium is a perennial source of amusement to children, and so few can laugh at a joke at their own expense. Were each individual By Many Men Acting Under the Bri- born with a strong sense of humor ticians take themselves too seriously. A good hearty laugh would oft-

concealing one's thoughts had reach to reach it from public men of varordinated effort by many men acting | ed a high state of perfection in the lous countries. under three separate departments. | political world. At election times | The Congress of Brest-Litovsk is particularly it is the most powerful a concrete evidence of the fact that weapon of offence and defence. Some the Germans have on the present strait-laced people denounce it as showing won the war in the East, In the autumn of 1914, when the dishonest and mischievous, and be- but by the same token it discloses wail the lowering of moral stand- the fact that Germany has lost the ards, but at bottom it reveals a grim war on the sea and in the West, and sense of humor-the playful humor is seeking her profit in Poland, not of the dinosaurus as he butted his in Belgium; in the Balkans, not in ugly head into the fact of the cave- French Lorraine. from the German strenches must be tain rock preparatory to an evening tween Germany and the Western eighty years ago, said that Germany man hiding behind a tree or moun-

attacks of our most intimate friends 1914," this is the maximum of her by the help of God and in partnerpolitical course of action, and begin and Great Britain she expects to sac- the stone God of the German forests. humor has gone forever.

try at home. The grim realities of have been for the time being, at hallowed temples and tombs, they war are barraged by the fires of an least, set aside. They are objects restored to the world the spot where Horse Corner Gazette" and "Bligh- German victory in the East. The ings which we enjoy, it is that God ty." In the front trenches Canada frontiers and the arrangements under whose banner of the Cross we laughs in the face of the enemy, and made at this congress may prove fight, under whom we are united and Committee. He said that at the outmaintains the buoyant mood of the permanent, may last for a number well-balanced mind. "And where do of years, unless the allied purpose to trenches. "Laddie, that depends on years. If the terms agreed upon at | banana is an annual. The fruit The new machines were of two your religious opinions," is the Brest-Litovsk stand, Germany will comes to maturity about a year after slightly different types. One was prompt retort of the old-timer. in all probability dominate all Cen- the shoot is planted, the trunk of the called the male type, and was armed "Grin!" This is the wholesome ad- tral Europe and Western Asia. She | tree subsequently attaining a height with two Hotehkiss quick-firers and vice to the grouser at the front: | will be a menace to the peace of the of from eight to ten feet and a girth |

(But so it does the Hun!)-Your boots may leak like sewers; While from out the streamlets run-"The 'pariah-dogs' may glitter

And you will find a new life has And the Man in you has won!

He Was Angry.

A London paper received in Canada contains the following: In kilts and sporran, a grey-head ed, robust Canadian soldier, attached to one of the Canadian Scottish regiments, was charged at Westminstel with assaulting a young man at

Prosecutor, incapacitated by hear disease from military service, said defendant, a stranger, went up to him The "tanks" first went into action and called him a d-d German, sive which began on September 15. the kerb and striking him over the

Defendant said he was due back men were so overcome with laughter no part in the war, when elderly men to make peace before the equally death of General Chiang Kuei-ti of were scarcely able to keep up with sacrificed position and comfort to situation are likewise settled satis- General Chiang was not dead, and fight for the Mother Country. There is no doubt that the element had left his farm of 320 acres in

sincerely to prosecutor. The apology with the question of indemnities for

To Make Victoria Crosses.

NOW SEEKS PROFIT OF WAR IN POLAND.

Brest-Litovsk Set Forth by Noted American Critic, Who Says That the Warlords Have Altered Their Ideas of World Domination for the Present.

PART from the obvious efforts that will be made by the Congress of Brestganda purposes, its chief value and interest for the world lies in the the passions and the frictions inci- fact that it furnishes a good index dental to an election, for example, of things as they are at the moment further use if it enabled the allied times prove more effectual than the public to avoid a great deal of unstinging retort in dissipating the necessary alarm, due to the succession of unduly disturbing and overouflage" was invented the art of optimistic bulletins which continue

Peace made by negotiations be- rich Helne, in a famous prophecy powers now would amornt to Some of the political speeches and transaction based upon the posses- stone gods of their ancestors and the writings in the recent election cam- sion by Germany of Belgium and a hammer of Thor would smash the paign, so far from exciting wrath small portion of France, and by the weakness represented by Christian and angry reprisals, only excited enemies of Germany of all Ger- cathedrals. When the commander of merriment in those gifted with a sav- many's colonies and the power to the U-boat which sank the Eusitania ing sense of humor. Without a sense continue the paralysis of Germany's and drowned its passengers, when the of humor, and a faculty for dismis- sea-borne commerce. Despite all commander of the U-boat summoned sing unpleasant thoughts and mem- contemporary confusion and excite- to his deck the survivors of the Belories, life would be unbearable in ment, the real question in the West gian Prince, and then submerged husband disagrees with wife and fa- war by crushing France and Britain ocean, both were praised and decorther with son on the issues before before the United States can get up, ated with the iron cross, and their the country. We should try and take but whether she will be able, by acts were proclaimed as proofs of gather like a thunder cloud as we ment before we can arrive on the stroyed, their orchards cut down,

on the stupidity and folly, of our hopes. With reference to France ship with Him, that God was again ties. may even think of possible indemni-From the trenshes there is always | ties to Belgium. But her main ob-

the Western nations, including the which is of a fibrous nature, are United States, to keep buge stand- thrown out long palm-like branches, ing armies and bear the great bur- at the junction of which appears the den of armed peace. If the arrange- fruit, each group of bunches, numments made at Brest-Litovsk are bering from four to twelve, being abolished by subsequent allied vicand an escape from a world in arms. | standard size . of "shipping" fruit. Have Canadians at home forgotten dependence of Belgium, the safety of shoots or suckers sprout, each of prepared trench system reproducing how to laugh? Do the oratorical the British Empire-these questions which in turn becomes a fresh tree. flights of the political pterodactyl were settled at the Marne, at Verdun, The life of the banana-tree, how At the end of August, fifty "tanks" represent the only sense of humor we and by the failure of the German ever, is not usually long, for it is no threat of mutilation. The highest eration. Jamaica contains many

> tions. It knows very little about litive. The land being cleared by Balkan conditions. It is war-weary, big iron hoe, a hole is dug and the and the French and British publics | sucker is planted in it, in most cases clearly perceive now that the integ- nature doing all that is necessary; rity of France and Great Britain and but in larger plantations the trees for that matter of Belgium, is as- | are planted with some degree o sured. They perceive that Ger- system in the form of squares, and many's assault upon the Western trenches are dug for irrigation, the world has failed, and that, despite banana thriving best in damp stiff all the boasting and bullying that soil. come from Berlin, Germany is heartready to make peace on terms that will leave Western Europe as it was, are extremely dangerous in China. before the war. The peril now is The Jih Pao, one of the leading daily that these publics, seeing the issues papers printed in Chinese in Pekin,

was accepted, and defendant was Belgium and France for wanton injuries, are all that remain to be determined, and for any debate about of sugar is to be undertaken upon an the green table the nations controll- extensive scale at Kellum, Notts. An A bronze gun captured by the Can- | ing the sea and the German colonies | estate of five thousand six hundred adian troops overseas from the Ger- have the advantage in pawns. By acres near the river at Newark has mans will be used by the British au- contrast, the fate of the East is in been acquired by the British Sugarwas captured by the 58th Canadian | wails in Bussia and in the Balkans Infantry Battalion, and Sir George he will remain the great world-peril acture Victoria Crosses from bronze | great Empire Germany has built up royalty is recognized by the unseen known simply as a British colduy, alby the prosperity of their neighbors, guns captured from the enemy. | by are and sword in the last three powers.

years, a dissolution which thall give nany peoples racial and national mity, and leave no nation a danger | to all peace and an obstacle to aif disarmament.

The notion that France is to be Britain to succumb to German might, and are to be left naked to a colossal HERE can be no doubt that foe, is merest moonshine. If Germany had won at the Marne it might have happened; the last chance of this perished under the walls of Ver-

Minor, we shall have nothing to show open,-A. Simonds in New York

Two Gods.

The following article by Chauncey Depew is particularly applicable today in view of the Kaiser's speeches the past few days:

"The God of battles is appealed to daily by the contending hosts, but there are two Gods. The poet Heincaptured Jerusalem, and after a lapse of six centuries brought the man. The Christ, whose doctrines

Banana Cultivation. called a "hand" and each hand havtories in the West, we may have yet | ing eight or ten bananas upon it. A a real peace, a general settlement, bunch of eight hands is the ordinary The integrity of France and the in- From the root of the tree several tinction of her hope to reclaim Triest; ber of trees from twenty-five thousand the Trentino and thus complete and to two hundred thousand, for the unification of the Italian people, the most part cultivated by the The Western world knows very small settlers in the different parlittle about Eastern European condi- ishes. The cultivation is very prim-

An Erroneous Death Notice. Erroneous death announcements

The war began as a military test to be in Pekin, visited the newspape the Western issues of the war are in | vored to ruin the political career of

The soldiers smanhed the premises The question of Alsace-Lorraine pied all the type, broke the windows and the Italian Irredenta, together and demolished the office furniture,

Beet Growing. Beet-growing for the production

A White Elephant.

Perley, in a letter to General Mew- he has become, and we shall continue among the Burmone the possession its everseas forces. Newfoundland, burn, Minister of Militia, states that under arms and in the presence of of a white elephant stands as a sign the oldest British overseas posseshe has agreed to its being turned the same peril that kept the world in and symbol of universal sovereignty. sion, has been designated officially as Our fool mistakes, for some rea-over to the British authorities. Sir unrest before July, 1914. We are all Every Burmese king longs for the the Dominion of Newfoundland, ac-son or other, never get into our dair-George says that it has been in the of us fighting now for a settlement, capture of such a treasure during his past the invariable practice to manu not a truce; for a dissolution of that | reign as a token that his legitimate | Johns. Newfoundland was formerly

Experts and the Halifax Disaster

the investigation into the much deeper than to mere-There are real dangers enough the pilot of the Mont Blanc and the the Germans to capitalize years, we do not attain a new order tom of it. What is of vastly more Russia, in the Balkans, in Asia being discussed, and nobody has yet appeared to explain why such a danman history save scars and wounds gerous method was adopted. Had would be entirely absent. Most poll- in the world war. It might have a unhealed. But this is the danger. the cargo of the Mont Blanc been The German is not going to get to composed entirely of benzol or en-Paris or stay in Brussels. The tirely of explosives the disaster could Straits of Dover is closed. His way inspection of their cargoes; that they to the Dardanelles and Suez remains are taking chances, either because Capt. Simmons said the United "Off and on for several years I they are without proper experts or States must send 5,000,000 men to have been bothered with my kidneys for the sake of speed in delivery. France to make any showing, "for and have had frequent pains in the The important thing now is not to our enemy is fortified by almost im- small of my back. So, during the punish those responsible for the dis- pregnable forces." aster, but to take precautions that it ! can never be repeated.

It is suggested by the New York Sun that the Allies' knowledge of chemistry has not been properly mobilized; that the practical chemists have been side-tracked in favor pharmacists. The Monitour says the criminal statutes. Halifax would be impossible. It aggravated during the past year. says that in Germany there have l been few serious accidents due to chemical explosions, and this imof German chemists and engineers having proper rank and being backed up by the high military authori-

The French paper says that the because anyone knows that the men who have gone into the great shops | The struggle against the Rumanand worked their way up have received a training that all the lectures in the world will not give the student. What the Allies owe to one cated not long ago by Lord Moulton, failed. chairman of the High Explosives important product of the gas works" private companies in England, and he added that had it not been for the jusually difficult. direct aid of such an industry as the manufacture of gas and the assist- dish for a friend ance and knowledge of those who had spent their lives in it it would ain to wage the campaigns of the last three years. In fact, she would have been defeated long ago.

Great Britain has a corps of chemcal engineers, and so has the United States, but the suggestion is made that among them there are not enough men who are practical experts, and that as a rule the practical experts are not given commissions. It is not possible for military reasons to discuss the exact nature of the work that is being done in France by these industrial proficients, who have been mobilized to a much greater extent than have similar experts in the British army. The Moniteur, however, believes that the process has not been carried far enough and proposes that chemical engineers should be given the rank of officers and attached to regiments on the fighting line, to have particular charge of the formation of gas | waves, thus making this mode of attack as effective as possible. At present these chemical experts are mobilized in laboratories at the front and in the technical service in the rear. They inspect food, clothing, and water, and study the composition of gases in aeronautics and artillery. The Moniteur says that the work of chemical experts in the various munitions plants, in toxicology, and the

sanitary service is the master-key of the whole army organization Despite this fact the chemists are rather looked down upon by the regular officers, who seem to regard them much in the same light as the l chemists regard the rats and guineapigs that they use in their experiments. Not long ago M. Painleve, a former professor, referred to the loss after the outbreak of the war. Thousands, if not tens of thousands, of Germans had occupied places in French laboratories, and they were either returned to their own country or interned.. The result was a temporary chaos which seriously hampered the mobilization of the science for purposes of war. The importance of the role played by the practical chemist in this war can hardly be exaggerated, and if advance in rank will increase their effectiveness it ought not to be withheld a single

Is Now a Dominion. As a reward for the gallantry of

GERMAN ATROCITIES ARE NOT FICTION

United States Officer Saw Belgian Babies Impaled on German Bayonets.

New York, Jan. 29.-German atrocities have been minimized one Halifax disaster will go hundred times where they have been

the ends of German bayonets and ed as having their origin in stomach their return to frantic mothers. If trouble.

MAKE ADULTERY A CRIME. Neighborhood Workers to Scok

of those whose knowledge has been ceived reports of an alarming in- tended all down through my hips and obtained from text-books, printed in crease in cases of adultery in the the muscles and leaders of my legs. Germany for the most part. In dis- city, the Neighborhood Workers I could hardly bear to turn over in cussing this matter a short time ago Association have decided that, the bed, the pain was so severe, and the the Moniteur Scientifique said that only remedy lies in making adultery only way, I could raise myself-up in French army chemists and chemical a criminal offence under the law, bed-was by catching hold of the bedengineers have not received the rank The association is memorializing Ot- post and when I did get up I was to which they are entitled. Their tawa with the hope of securing the barely able to hobble around. Well, position, in fact, is below, that of necessary legislative amendment to I was laid up this way for two months

that if vessels of the Mont Blanc | At present the laws of Canada do knew of I never did get up and out class had on board chemists with the not recognize adultery as in itself until I got Tanlac. rank of officers there would be a dif- a crime within the code, or punish- "One day I saw a Tanlac testimonferent system of inspection of car- able by any legal penalty. Toronto lal from a man I know personally, so goes, and such accidents as that at conditions are said to have become I decided to try it. I was flat on my

IN A FIERCE FIGHT.

munity is declared to be the result Russians. Fail to Cut Their Way and I haven't lost a day from that Through Rumanians.

Petrograd, Jan. 29 .- Serious fighting has taken place in the neighborhood of Galatz, near the border, ac- the work like Tanlac and I certainly cording to the report received from men to be depended on now are not Austrian Headquarters at Brestthe mere theorists, but the men act- Litovsk. The Russian 9th Serbian ually engaged in the manufacture Division attempted to fight their way Chown, and in Plevna by Gilbert and handling of the chemicals used through Galatz and regain Russian Ostler. in explosives. These are the men | territory from which they have been who should be given commissions, jeut off by the Rumanians on January 20th.

ians on the lower Danube continued Plest Economy Order of United for a whole day and night. Heavy artillery was engaged, as well as monitors on the Danube, but thus far of their practical chemists was indi- the Russian attempt seems to have

Canadian authorities have closed

was recovered by Dr. Carpenter, a turalization papers of the United the law regulating free passes. chemist employed by one of the great States, and the path of the other travelling actors has been made un-Cold shoulder is an unpalatable work and \$60,000 for the Patriotic

Says It Is Astonishing the Way Tanlac Overcame His Troubles.

magnified once, members of the Re- The stomach regulates the condily fix the relative responsibility of publican Club were told Saturday by tion of the blood and is the fountain States military observer in Germany may be. Tanlac is intended primarpilot of the Imo, or determine whe- during the mobilization, having been ily for the regulation of the stomach fices and suffering of the past three ther a German agent was at the bot- attached to the American embassy at and the correction of catarhal inflam-"Don't let anyone tell you, that for persons who have used it, to find importance is to learn why behzol German atrocities are merely fic- it has relieved them, not only of inagainst predatory warfare. If there and T.N.T. were carried in a single tion," Capt. Simmons declared. "One digestion but also of rheumatism, are new Alsace-Lorraines created in cargo. That is a point which is now of the most grievous sights I ever kidney derangements and many other saw was the impaling of babies on other ailments not generally recogniz-

you knew the horrors that patient. The experience of Albert Stevens, a suffering little Belgium has been well-known employee of the Archithrough, your blood would freeze in bald & Holmes Construction Com-"We've got to sacriffee till the Toronto, as related in the following ther he can stay in Riga, Belgrade, not have occurred. The inference is skin is worn down to the bones of statement, very forcibly demonstraand Warsaw. His road to the that the Allies do not make a proper our own gate. We'll pay, but not tes the remarkable powers of the in the way Germany wants us to "Premier Preparation." Mr. Stevens

> past summer I had an attack which completely disabled me for doing anything in the way of work. I simply had to give up my job, which was paying me seven dollars a day, and go to bed. If my back had been broken'it couldn't have hurt worse. It Toronto, Jan. 29 .- Having re- was something like lumbago, and exland while I tried the best things I

> > back in bed when I began on Tanlac and it may seem astonishing, but it's a fact, by the time I finished my first bottle I was able to go back to work time until now. My kidneys don't bother me any more, my back never hurts and I'm enjoying fine health. I have never found anything that did appreciate what it has done for me

LAWYERS LOSE JOBS.

Washington, Jan, 29. Railroads were ordered by Director-General McAdoo to dispense with the services of legislative and political agents and all atorneys not engaged break of the war "one special and the way to alien troupers in the Do- in the performance of necessary ninion unless they can show na- legal work, and to observe strictly

Kent County Council voted \$15,-000 for Young Men's Christian war

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