

GREATER EFFICIENCY. REDUCED COST

Grow Grain in Western Canada, Make Profits, and Show Greater Patriotism.

The nation-wide cry of "More Efficiency" has now reached even the most remote agricultural sections and there is a general interest amongst the farmers to increase their products and to reduce their expenses.

It has been found that the open, level prairie can be cultivated for wheat and other small grains at a minimum price, and during the past few years the yields have been more than satisfactory.

The cultivator of high priced farm lands has a big handicap to overcome in computing his profits on a \$200 an acre farm as compared with the agriculturist reaping as great, if not greater return from \$25 an acre land.

It therefore becomes a question for the farmer himself to answer, whether he is doing himself and his country the best service, by devoting all his energies to working high priced land that yields no better return than land that can be secured at one-eighth the price.

GERMANY GUILTY OF BARBARITIES IN WAR CONDUCT

Atrocious Treatment of the Helpless Part of Campaign Plans of Military Leaders.

POLICY OF FRIGHTFULNESS

Terrorism Declared a Necessary Principle in National Warfare—Brutalities May Be Said to Be Directly Attributable to the Emperor Himself.

A pamphlet just issued by the Committee on Public Information tells of the horrors deliberately and systematically inflicted upon the people of Belgium by the German soldiers, under the orders of their commanding officers.

For many years leaders in every civilized nation have been trying to make warfare less brutal. The great landmarks in this movement are the Geneva and Hague conventions.

But Germany's military leaders had no intention of keeping these solemn promises. They had been trained along different lines.

Now, the essence of Von Clausewitz' teachings was that successful war involves the ruthless application of force. In the opening chapter of his master work, "Vom Kriege" ("On War"), he says:

"Violence arms itself with the inventions of art and science. . . . Self-imposed restrictions, almost imperceptible and hardly worth mentioning, accompany it without essentially impairing its power. . . . Now, philanthropic souls might easily imagine that there is a skillful method of disarming or subduing an enemy without causing too much bloodshed, and that this is the true tendency of the art of war.

essary to his existence. One has no right to demand of him anything superhuman." "The great goal in war is that it should be ended quickly. In view of this, every means, except those which are positively condemnable, must be permitted. I cannot, in any way, agree with the declaration of St. Petersburg when it pretends that the weakening of the military forces of the enemy constitutes the only legitimate method of procedure in war.

Many other examples might be cited from the writings of German generals. The very best illustration of this attitude, however, is to be found in the emperor's various speeches, and especially in his speech to his soldiers on the eve of their departure for China in 1900.

Soldiers Told to Be Merciless. "As soon as you come to blows with the enemy he will be beaten. No mercy will be shown! No prisoners will be taken! As the Huns, under King Attila, made a name for themselves, which is still mighty in traditions and legends today, may the name of Germany be so fixed in China by your deeds, that no Chinese shall ever again dare even to look at a German askance. . . . Open the way for Kultur once for all!"

Even the imperial counsellors seem to have been shocked at the emperor's speech, and efforts were promptly made to suppress the circulation of his exact words. The efforts were only partly successful. A few weeks later, when the letters from the German soldiers in China were being published, in local German papers, the leading socialist newspaper, Vorwaerts, excerpted from their reports of atrocities under the title "Letters of the Huns."

"If Germany wishes to be the bearer of civilization to the world, we will follow without contradiction. But the ways and means in which this world policy has been carried on thus far, in which it has been defined by the emperor . . . are not, in our opinion, the way to preserve the world position of Germany, to gain for Germany the respect of the world."

The consequences of the emperor's speech Bebel aptly described: "By it the signal was given, garbed in the highest authority of the German empire, which must have most weighty consequences, not only for the troops who went to China but also for those who stayed at home. An expedition of revenge so barbarous as this has never occurred in the last hundred years and not often in history; at least, nothing worse than this has happened in history, either done by the Huns, by the Vandals, or by Genghis Khan, by Tamerlane, or even by Tilly when he sacked Magdeburg."

These atrocities in China or "Letters of the Huns" continued to be published in the Vorwaerts for several years and appeared intermittently in the debates of the reichstag as late as 1908. At that time the socialist, Herr Kunert, reviewing the procedure in a trial of which he had been the victim in the previous summer, stated that he had offered to prove "that German soldiers in China had engaged in wanton and brutal ravaging; that plunder, pillage, extortion, robbery, as well as rape and sexual abuses of the worst kind, had occurred on a very large scale and that German soldiers had participated in them."

"The enemy state must not be spared the want and wretchedness of war; these are particularly useful in shattering its energy and subduing its will." "Individual persons may be harshly dealt with when an example is made of them, intended to serve as a warning. . . . Whenever a national war breaks out, terrorism becomes a necessary military principle." "It is a gratuitous illusion to suppose that modern war does not demand far more brutality, far more violence, and an action far more general than was formerly the case."

"War Established by God." In 1881 Von Moltke, who had been commander in chief of the Prussian army in the Franco-Prussian war, declared: "Perpetual peace is a dream and not even a beautiful dream. War is an element in the order of the world established by God. By it the most noble virtues of man are developed, courage and renunciation, fidelity to duty and the spirit of sacrifice—the soldier gives his life. Without war, the world would degenerate and lose itself in materialism." "The soldier who endures suffering, privation and fatigue, who courts dangers, cannot take only 'in proportion to the resources of the country.' He must take all that is necessary to his existence."

These ideas, which have come to control the minds of the military class, are best shown in the "German War Book" ("Kriegsbrauch im Landkriege"), published in 1902. The tone of this authoritative book may be judged from the following extracts: "Teachings of German War Book. . . . But since the tendency of thought in the last century was dominated essentially by humanitarian considerations which not infrequently degenerated into sentimentality and flabby emotion (Sentimentalität und weiches Gefühlswärmerel), there have not been wanting attempts to influence the development of the usages of war in a way which was in fundamental contradiction with the nature of war and its object." Attempts of this kind will also not be wanting in the future, the more so as these agitators have found a kind of moral

recognition in some provisions of the Geneva convention and the Brussels and Hague conferences. "By steeping himself in military history an officer will be able to guard himself against excessive humanitarian notions; it will teach him that certain severities are indispensable to war, nay more, that the only true humanity very often lies in a ruthless application of them."

For the guidance of the officers in case the inhabitants of conquered territory should take up arms against the German army, the "German War Book" quotes with approval the letter Napoleon sent to his brother Joseph, when the inhabitants of Italy were attempting to revolt against him:

"The security of your dominion depends on how you behave in the conquered province. Burn down a dozen places which are not willing to submit themselves. Of course, not all soldiers must be allowed to go away with their hands empty. Have three to six persons hanged in every village which has joined the revolt; pay no respect to the cossack" (that is, to members of the clergy).

Officers Trained to Be Savages. Some of the rules laid down in the "German War Book" are illustrated, and their spirit made more definite in "L'Interprète Militaire zum Gebrauch im Feindesland" ("Military Interpreter for Use in the Enemy's Country"). This is a manual edited at Berlin in 1906. "It contains," says the introduction, "the French translation of the greater part of documents, letters, and proclamations, and some orders of which it may be necessary to make use in time of war." Thus, eight years before this war began, the German military authorities were not only preparing their officers to wage war in a manner wholly contrary to the Hague regulations, but also were looking forward to the use of these proclamations in French or Belgian territory. Among its forms, ready for use by inserting names, date, and places, are the following:

"A fine of 600,000 marks in consequence of an attempt made by — to assassinate a German soldier, is imposed on the town of O. By order of —"

"Efforts have been made, without result, to obtain the withdrawal of the fine."

"The term fixed for payment expires tomorrow, Saturday, December 17, at noon."

"Bank notes, cash, or silver plate will be accepted."

"I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated the 7th of this month, in which you bring to my notice the great difficulty which you expect to meet in levying the contributions. . . . I can but regret the explanations which you have thought proper to give me on this subject; the order in question which emanates from my government is so clear and precise, and the instructions which I have received in the matter are so categorical that if the sum due by the town of R— is not paid the town will be burned down without pity!"

Ruthless Destruction Ordered. "On account of the destruction of the bridge of F—, I order: The district shall pay a special contribution of 10,000,000 francs by way of amends. This is brought to the notice of the public, who are informed that the method of assessment of the said sum will be enforced with the utmost severity. The village of F— will be destroyed immediately by fire, with the exception of certain buildings occupied for the use of the troops."

These forms have been of great use to the German commanders in Belgium and northern France. The closeness with which they have been followed in these conquered lands, during the present war, may be seen by reading these two proclamations:

"The City of Brussels, exclusive of its suburbs, has been punished by an additional fine of 5,000,000 francs on account of the attack made upon a German soldier by Ryckere, one of its police officials. "The Governor of Brussels, "BARON VON LUETTWITZ," November 1, 1914. Picard posted on the walls of Luneville by order of the German authorities:

"Notice to the People: "Some of the inhabitants of Luneville made an attack from ambush on the German columns and wagons (trains). The same day (some of the) inhabitants shot at sanitary formations marked with the Red Cross. In addition German wounded and the military ambulance were fired upon. "Because of these acts of hostility a fine of 500,000 francs is imposed upon the commune of Luneville. The mayor is ordered to pay this sum in gold or silver up to 50,000 francs, September 6, 1914, at nine o'clock in the morning, to the representative of the German military authority. All protests will be considered null and void. No delay will be granted. "If the commune does not punctually obey the order to pay the sum of 500,000 francs, all property that can be levied upon will be seized. "In case of non-payment, visits from house to house will be made and all the inhabitants will be searched. If anyone knowingly has concealed money or attempted to hold back his goods from the seizure by the military authorities, or if anyone attempts to leave the city, he will be shot. "The mayor and the hostages taken by the military authorities will be held responsible for the exact execution of the above orders. "The mayor is ordered to publish immediately this notice to the commune. "VON FASBENDER"

Cumbed the Ladder. R. L. O'Donnell, new assistant general manager of eastern Pennsylvania railway lines, began railroading as a roduan in 1888. Important to Mothers. Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, that famous old remedy for infants and children, and see that it Bears the Signature of Dr. J. C. Fletcher. Children Cry for Fletcher's Castoria. Tonawanda and North Tonawanda, N. Y., are to consolidate governments. If there were no fools the fads would die out.

No Raise In Price Of This Great Remedy. HILL'S CASCARA QUININE. The standard cold cure for 20 years—in tablet form—safe, sure, no opiates—cures cold in 24 hours—40¢ in 5 days. Money back if fails. Get the genuine one with Red top and Mr. Hill's picture on it. Costs less, gives more, saves money. 24 Tablets for 25¢. At Any Drug Store.

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When Noise Don't Count. One of the peculiarities of the leather-lunged individual is that he hasn't discovered that it isn't the noise of a boiler shop that makes the boilers. Takes Bride's Name. Murrily Cohen, who married Helen Bernays in New York, will hereafter be known as Murray C. Bernays to keep alive the bride's family name.

When it comes to digging in the fields the Chinese woman is equal to any man. Death loves a shining mark, but love often picks out a rusty one.

Got It Herself. Isabel, aged eight, daughter of a Winchester couple, was at the dinner table when the conversation was on in regard to a neighbor woman who the day before received a decree of divorce. Isabel's mother said to her older daughter, "Who got her divorce for her?" Little Isabel quickly spoke up and said, "Why, mamma, I reckon she just went downtown and got it herself."—Indianapolis News.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County—ss. Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE. Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1914. (Seal) A. W. Gleason, Notary Public. HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE is taken internally and acts through the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the System. Druggists, etc. For more information, write to F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio.

Necessities and Luxuries. The trouble with economy is that it would be so much easier to practice if we hadn't made necessities out of so many luxuries. Doubly Henpecked. June—Meek men will inherit the earth, it is said. Jane—Won't their wives get chesty?

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Take Cover! Lord Northcliffe, apropos of a Zepplin attack on London, said at a dinner in New York: "Nowadays in my country, when we want to proclaim a man a fool, we say he hasn't sense enough to come in out of the rain."

GREEN'S AUGUST FLOWER. Has been used for all ailments that are caused by a disordered stomach and inactive liver, such as sick headache, constipation, sour stomach, nervous indigestion, fermentation of food, palpitation of the heart caused by gases in the stomach. August Flower is a gentle laxative, regulates digestion both in stomach and intestines, cleans and sweetens the stomach and alimentary canal, stimulates the liver to secrete the bile and impurities from the blood. Sold in all civilized countries. 80 and 90 cent bottles.—Adv.

Pay No Attention to Him. "What do they mean by a presiding genius?" "One who can keep order at a woman's club," growled the grizzled grouch.

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Easy to figure the Profits. Where in Western Canada you can buy at from \$15 to \$30 per acre good farm land that will raise 20 to 45 bushels to the acre of \$2 wheat—its easy to figure the profits. Many Western Canadian farmers (scores of them from the U. S.) have paid for their land from a single crop. Such an opportunity for 100% profit on labor and investment is worth investigation. Canada extends to you a hearty invitation to settle on her Free Homestead Lands of 160 Acres Each or secure some of the low priced lands in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta. Think what you can make with wheat at \$2 a bushel and land so easy to get. Wonderful yields also of Oats, Barley and Flax. Mixed farming and cattle raising. The climate is healthful and agreeable; railway facilities excellent; good schools and churches convenient. Write for literature and particulars as to reduced railway rates to Supt. Immigration, Ottawa, Canada, or to: M. J. Johnstone, Drawer 197, Watertown, S. D.; R. A. Garrett, 311 Jackson St., St. Paul, Minn. Canadian Government Agents.

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