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Mexico seems to be entering upon the fourth revolution of the current series. Or perhaps it would be more correct to regard the revolt against Carranza as the fourth phase of a continuous revolution. Diaz, Madero, Huerta and Carranza were all revolutionists before they took office. All but the last were despots in office, and Carranza will need to be one if he is to defend himself and what is left of his party. A people who need a dictator and desire a genuine democrat are doomed to many disappointments.

In the opinion of an American contemporary it does not make much difference on which side the balance of crimes and outrages in Belgium falls, since the thing to remember is that such things were not happening there until the country was invaded in spite of a treaty guaranteeing that it should not suffer in that fashion.

There is something to be said for that view. When two aggressive countries go to war there is something to be said for the observance of certain rules of war which resemble those of the prize ring. But a peaceable citizen who is suddenly and wantonly attacked by a burglar or a highwayman is not bound to observe the rules

of the prize ring. He has a right to defend himself in any way that is best for himself and with any weapon that comes handy.

The position of Germany in Belgium was not that of a regular combatant, but that of an outlaw and a criminal, who had broken every rule of international law and international good faith. Having done that, it was not at all likely that the German troops would be squeamish about murdering non-combatants—whether they had given provocation or not. In exactly the same way the burglar who knows he has no business in your house would commit murder rather than be thwarted.—Ex.

GERMAN GENERAL STAFF REJOICES WHEN KAISER IS AWAY FROM PRESENCE

Geneva, Oct. 6.—The Kaiser, it is reported, returned to Cologne yesterday. It is an open secret that the German general staff operating in France is glad to be rid of his presence. The royal interference in the war proved that the Kaiser is not a strategist.

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A CANADIAN IS WOUNDED.

Montreal, Oct. 7.—W. E. G. Murray, appointed a Canadian Rhodes scholar two years ago while attending McGill University, according to advices which have reached his friends here, has been wounded while bearing despatches in Belgium. Mr. Murray joined the King Edward Horse in London. He was connected with the Montreal Herald and had been engaged in journalism in other parts of Canada. His home is in Vancouver.

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PASSING EVENTS

Alberic Magnard, the French composer, has been killed while defending his house near Nanterre from the Germans. His son-in-law escaped by pretending to be the gardener. M. Magnard was born at Baron, Department of the Oise, in 1865. He composed several lyric dramas, including "Yolande," "Bernice" and "Guereoeur." He was a pupil of Massenet and of Vincent d'Indy.

Since the outbreak of the war H. M. S. Pegasus, working from Zanzibar, has rendered very useful service, including the destruction of the German gunboat Mowe, at the floating docks there. Early on the morning of September 20 she was attacked by the German protected cruiser Koenigsburg while coming to anchor in the harbor of Zanzibar, for the purpose of cleaning and making repairs to her machinery. The Pegasus was taken at a disadvantage, and was somewhat outranged by the newer four inch guns of the Koenigsburg. She was completely disabled, and 25 killed and 80 wounded out of a crew of 234.

Montreal has subscribed a million and a half dollars to the patriotic fund; Toronto and York a million, and other places are also giving generously.

The first disaster in the Australian navy occurred on September 19, when the submarine AE1 suddenly disappeared with all hands. The loss is attributed to accident, as the weather was fine and no enemy within a hundred miles.

President Wilson allowed it to be known that he was prayerfully working for peace in Europe, but indicated that nothing of a definite or formal character had yet been done. He told callers that publication of stories that he would call a world conference to discuss peace interfered with his serious work. The President declared that a world's crisis exists and that only serious remedies should be discussed. There has

been laid before him for consideration a strong appeal that he lead a movement to end the war, presented him on behalf of a million women, members of suffrage organizations in 13 countries, including nearly all those engaged in the conflict. The plea was laid before the President by Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt of New York, president of the International Woman's Suffrage Alliance, and Mme. Rosika Schwimmer of Hungary, secretary of the alliance.

Pope Benedict has sent a despatch to the Emperor of Germany protesting in dignified terms against the ruthless destruction of the cathedral at Rheims. The Pope says this crime cries for God's vengeance. He warns the Kaiser lest the destruction of the Lord's temples provoke the anger of God, against which the most powerful armies are powerless. He has also sent a similar telegram to Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria urging him as a Catholic sovereign to defend his religion.

Brigadier General Christian Frederick Beyers, commandant general of the Union of South Africa's defence forces, has resigned his post because of his disapproval of the action of Great Britain in sending commandos to conquer German Southwest Africa. Gen. Smuts, minister of finance and defence, in his reply to the letter of resignation says plans for operations against German Southwest Africa were made in consultation with General Beyers and that his suggestions were largely carried out. "Your bitter attack on Great Britain," General Smuts says, "not only is entirely baseless, but most unjustifiable, coming as it does in the midst of a great war. Your reference to barbarous acts during the South African war cannot justify the criminal devastation of Belgium, and can only be calculated to sow hatred and division among the people of South Africa." General Smuts refers to the freedom given South Africa by Great Britain, "which allows you to write a letter for which you would, without doubt, be liable in the German Empire to the extreme penalty."

NO ALUM in Dr. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER

SOME SPADE THAT OF CANADIAN TROOPS

Correspondents at Valcartier camp have been enlightening the public about a wonderful spade which the Canadian troops are to carry to the front as part of their equipment. It is claimed for it that it is useful both for digging trenches and as a shield for the marksman's head, but it is understood that these claims are far too modest. It can also be used for opening a tin of sardines, cleaning a pipe, or eating jam. It may also be used as a toothpick or a nail file, and, above all, it will come in handy when rush operations for appendicitis are necessary.—Saturday Night.

"Gasoline is getting very high."
"Yes; the wolf is at the door of my garage."—Kansas City Journal.

Zealous Policeman (on German spy duty, having got motorist's name and address, etc., and received in answer to his further question, "And is the lady your wife?" a torrent of oaths very much in the vernacular)—Oh, pass along; you're a Britisher all right.—Punch.

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