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THE WAR

During the last two weeks the war situation has undergone a complete change, and the eyes of the civilized world are once more turned upon the Baltic States. It is not unlikely that, after over a year of desperate work in France and Flanders; in Galicia, Poland and Russia, the titanic struggle will be settled in the war-scarred little states which lie between Turkey and Austria.

The Kaiser must have welcomed the change of venue, as it will have turned the attention of his people from the defeats in the west and the retreat before the Russians in the east. The assistance of Bulgaria must have renewed the hopes of the Prussian war lords, as there is no doubt that Berlin expects to be able to flood Turkey with an ample supply of ammunition just so soon as the Bulgarians get control of the railroads.

In spite of allied reinforcements, sent in over the Nish-Saloniki railroad, Serbia is still in rather a precarious position as the attacking forces are much stronger than the gallant little army which is so bravely defending the frontier against the Austro-Germans. However, the counter move by the British and French troops against Sofia should relieve some of the pressure by fully occupying the Bulgarian army, on the Serbian frontier, while the expected attack on Varna by a Russian army and fleet sent from Odessa will help still further to spread the forces of the central powers.

If the Allies are able to place enough men in the field, and there is no reason why they should not, the whole horrible business may be decided in the Balkans within the next few

months. Italy, Russia, France and Britain should be able, between them, to place at least a million additional troops in the new war zone during the next few weeks. The fate of Constantinople will be decided in Serbia and Bulgaria, and the Allies must see to it that Turkey is kept isolated so far as getting supplies is concerned.

The situation in France and the eastern front shows little change, but reports are all favorable to the Allies. It is evident that quite a number of British submarines have been able to pass the mine fields at the entrance to the Baltic, so that the band around Germany is being drawn still closer. If there is truth in the report that submarines have also entered the Bight of Heligoland, there is liable to be interesting naval developments soon, as there is little doubt that a large part of the German fleet of small cruisers and destroyers has sought shelter behind the island of Heligoland, while the German submarines, which have infested the North Sea and the Channel, have mostly been outfitted and supplied from a base somewhere in the bay. There have been no reports of big victories during the past week, but the general trend of affairs on all fronts has awakened a feeling of splendid optimism throughout the Empire.

PARKER WILLIAMS DESCRIBES THE REAL WILLIAM MANSON

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pay cheque and his photo in the group. In the records of the legislature there is nothing to show whether he is 'he, she, or it.'

He went on to describe how William Manson has just to sit



still and do as he is told. His work is over once he is elected; getting the nomination by any low-down way he can is all he has to worry about.

Mr. Williams said that, if he cared, he could go into details as to how this man Manson gets his nomination. He said "William Manson is a sanctimonious gentleman. His plan of campaign is to preside at a Methodist conference while his heels are rustling support for him in the tenderloin and the bar-room, using the lowest possible means to attain their ends. A man is responsible for what he permits and Manson encourages all kinds of 'skulduggery' so long as it gets him back to Victoria."

He will vote for any old thing so long as the rest do, even to deciding that "labor is a commodity," just as vegetables, as he did on one occasion. In Manson's own words, his one excuse for being there is "to get the stuff." "A large vote for Skeena district is all he wants. He does not want this that the district may benefit, but that he may have the ground more secure under his feet. It is like an endless chain, or a snake with its tail in its mouth. What is done with the money voted? Does the genuine working man benefit? If he makes a noise like a Conservative he does. If he is a rancher away back miles from anywhere, and can control a few votes for the Conservatives he can get a trail made to his door. A man, with a wife and kiddies, struggling for bread and butter, dare not show a spark of independence or real manliness. The money is used to break the moral fibre of the men in the Skeena district. It is a crime that a single dollar comes in, to be used in any such way. A man with such a conception of public duty is unfit to exercise the franchise. However, when a bid is made to your cupidity, you can stand up and refuse to be bought. I have nothing to gain by fooling you or myself, therefore, you may take it as true when I tell you that the Conservative party will be swept from the province. Manson will tell you that it is necessary to send him back 'to get the stuff.' How much do you want? (A voice, \$350,000). Let me tell you there is small chance of your getting it."

Mr. Williams went on to deal with the question of appropriation in return for support, in which he scored the policy of the government most unmercifully, asking if that was their conception of duty to the province or any part of it. "If it takes a government supporter to get what is due to you, what is the quality of that government? If you get more than your due, at whose expense do you get it?" he asked. "If a government will punish a district for not sending back a representative of its own party, we have lost every shred of the liberty of representative government."

Bankruptcy.

He went on to show that the province is on the verge of bankruptcy, and that it is at present \$20,000,000 in the hole, and carries \$90,000,000 of railroad bond guarantees besides, and these will have to be met. He pointed out that outside capital had been scared away from the province by wildcatting, supported by the McBride government. He said that the capital must come from within and that men with a broad conception of things, prepared to advance along socialistic lines must be sent to Victoria. He placed the blame largely on the capitalist system and described the war as a godsend, as it had relieved the situation by absorbing many unemployed. He urged those who are opposed to socialism to study the question thoroughly, and described its ideal as "each for all, and all for each." He said: "Socialism is looked upon as something good enough for a lot of rough-necks, but God pity the country that has no rough-necks."

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