

GERMANS STRONG IN WAR MAKE POOR DIPLOMATS

William Dudley Foulke Writes Last of Series of Articles—
Tells of Kaiser's Refusal to Accede to England's Proposal
for a Conference of Impartial Powers.

The Germans hold a very high rank in the intellectual world. The scholarship, in music and in many branches of science they are unequalled. Their social institutions are admirable. The organization of the empire and of the various cities therein and of that wonderful army which is now fighting the battles for the fatherland is greatly superior to similar organizations in other countries. And yet supreme as the Germans are in the art of government and in the art of war they are lamentably defective in diplomacy and in the higher elements of statesmanship.

They seek to carry out their purposes by brute force and apparently have little knowledge of the human heart and very little power of putting themselves in the place of the other man or of the impartial observer. Their behaviour toward others for many years past has been characterized more by the arrogance that so often accompanies the consciousness of physical prowess than by the spirit of fair play and kindness, which does not simply coerce men's actions but wins their hearts. Compare for instance the conduct of Germany at the outbreak of this war with the conduct

of Abraham Lincoln at the outbreak of the Civil war in our own country. Germany determined to support Austria in an overbearing ultimatum to a feeble adversary.

Refuses Conference. She refused to join the proposals made by England for a conference of the impartial nations. She demanded that Russia should recall her mobilization within twelve hours. She demanded that France within eighteen hours should assure her of French neutrality. She demanded of Belgium the right to march across neutral territory and Belgium must answer immediately. She calls this war a war of defense but begins it by invading territory of a small weak neighbor who has done her no harm and also by invasion of France which ordered its troops to remain ten kilometers behind the frontier in order not to be guilty of the first aggression. It is not clear enough that by such a course she multiplied the number of her adversaries and diminished the number of her friends?

If Germany had been willing to forego the small military advantage of striking the first blow and had confined herself at least during the first period of the war to the actual defense of her own territory how different the world would have felt in

regard to her. She lacked the moral greatness to put her enemies wholly in the wrong by the moderation and justice of her conduct. As her chancellor said, she determined to "hack her way through" to victory and conquest undeterred by any "scrap of paper." How different from the course of Abraham Lincoln! Listen to his first inaugural address to those who were then arming for rebellion. "In your hands, my dissatisfied fellow-countrymen, and not in mine, is the momentous issue of civil war. The government will not assail you. You can have no conflict, without being yourselves the aggressors. You have no oath registered in Heaven to destroy the government, while I shall have the most solemn one to 'serve, protect and defend it.' I am loath to close. We are not enemies, but friends. We must not be enemies. Though passion may have strained, it must not break our bonds of affection. The mystic chords of memory, stretching from every battlefield, and patriot grave, to every living heart and hearthstone, all over this broad land, will yet swell the chorus of the Union, when again touched, as surely they will be, by the better angels of our nature."

In accordance with these sentiments Lincoln refrained from attacking even

those who had seized government property in the seceding states. He acted strictly on the defensive. When the garrison in Fort Sumter lacked food he sent an unarmed vessel to supply it and the Star of the West was fired upon. This was the commencement of hostilities. Major Anderson was simply to defend his position in the beleaguered fort and when Sumter was attacked and fell, the Confederacy by this act had placed itself completely in the wrong. If there had been a Lincoln today on the throne of the German empire, Germany would not have found herself surrounded by enemies. As it was, Italy, seeing that Austria, upheld by Germany, was the aggressor in the war, very properly refused to take part in the struggle as her treaty required her to do if her allies were attacked. England and Belgium would hardly have been engaged in the struggle if Germany had been conducting merely a defensive warfare and if England were not involved Japan too would have kept her hands off, while the sympathies of every neutral nation would have been on Germany's side. All this is an admirable illustration of the maxim of Edmund Burke that "magnanimity is not seldom the truest wisdom that a great empire and little minds go ill together."

BRAVES LAY CLAIM TO CITY HONORS

Defeating the Tigers yesterday afternoon 1 to 0 the Fairview Braves are laying claim to the championship of the city. The two teams have split even in the first two contests of a three-game series. The final game will be played at the Natco park next Sunday.

Batteries—Braves, Hensler and Long; Tigers, Mac and Snyder.

SMITH ON PROGRAM.

One of the speakers at the Indiana State Congregation of Charities and Correction at Madison during the sessions from October 17 to 20 will be Dr. S. E. Smith superintendent of the Eastern Indiana Hospital for the Insane at Easthaven. Dr. Smith will speak at the Sunday sessions.

TO HOLD ASSEMBLY

An assembly will be held by the Church of God at the meeting house on Southwest Fourth street from Oct. 18 to 25. A number of able ministers have been engaged to speak during the meetings. Hours of Sunday ser-

VICES are 9:30, 10:30, 2:30 and 7:30 o'clock. Services during the week will be held at 10 and at 7:30 o'clock.

HOPPE MEETS INMAN.

CHICAGO, Oct. 12.—Melbourne Inman, three times champion of England, and Willie Hoppe, balk line title holder of America, clash tonight in their 6,000 point match for the world's "green cloth" championship. Tonight's contest will consist of a 600-point title at the English style of play.

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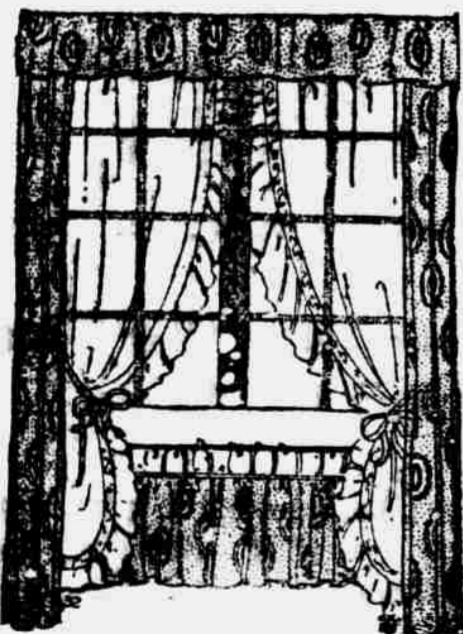
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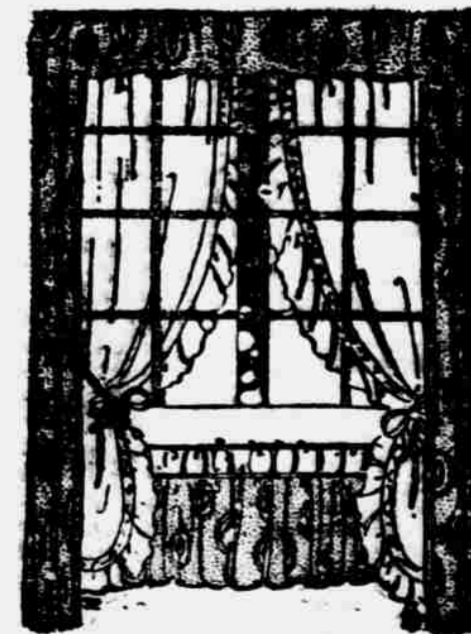


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