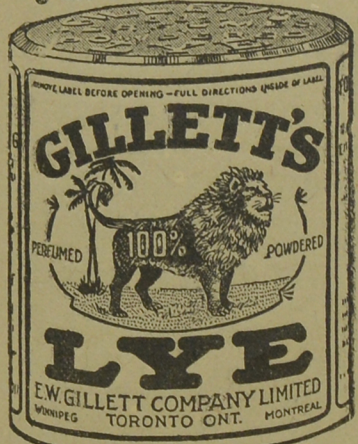


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ENGLISH FOR WAR TO THE LAST DITCH

London, Oct. 8.—Maurice Hewlett, author of *The Forest Lovers*, and many another famous novel, is wishing that he might find some way of going to the front to fight for his beloved England. He has ceased work for the time being on the novel he had hoped to have ready for next spring, and is giving all of his energy to whatever work the government may have in hand for him.

In view of the fact that Hewlett was not in sympathy with the Boer war, and has been so outspoken an advocate of peace, it seemed likely to be of interest to ask him why he has thrown himself so wholeheartedly into this unprecedented blood-pool. So he was sought out in his book-walled library in Northwich Terrace, and was found so full of the subject that he was willing to talk about it, although ordinarily he abominates interviews.

"We are face to face with the real thing," said Hewlett, "and at first it was like the shock of cold water. It took the breath away. It is dreadfully real to some of us; to me indeed it is perhaps as dreadful as it can be to a few others. My only son is in the flying corps of the navy and goes to join the Grand Fleet as soon as his machine is ready. His service is more certainly dangerous than most; but I can assure you that not only I, but any man in England, would see his son go out and die in such a service as this with a proud heart."

ENGLAND MEANS BUSINESS.

"You think that England means business?"

"If you look about you," he answered, "you will see England as you and I have never seen her yet. You would have to cast back a hundred years to see anything like the tide of passion which is swelling over this country.
"It is a slow wave; we are a people slow to provoke; but it is gathered now at the heart of the people, and will be a flood-tide, flowing to the very limits of the land—ah, and further than that. Wherever the English blood beats, wherever the English tradition is planted, this tide will lap and flow."

"Do you ask me what has drawn it up? It is curious, and to me as a student of history, deeply interesting. But first I will tell you what has not drawn it up to this abnormal height.
"It is not military fever, what you may call the smell of war; that is certain. We are not a warlike people though no people can fight better when fight they must. The real English—I don't mean the hothead, few who make a noise (we call them 'ingoes')—the real English will never fight if they can help it. Love of country and pride of race are deep in them, and not effervescent. We value life; we neither take it nor give it lightly. Our race jealousy is not quick; our feeling for what is called honor is not so near the surface as it is with the French. We don't mind a few scratches on it; we laugh and say that it hurts the scratcher more

than the scratched. Wrong-headed and offensive very often as our insular pride is, I do not think it helps us there. We aren't easily hurt."

NO FEAR OF INVASION.

"Do you fear invasion then?" He shook his head.
"No, not at all. We aren't making war because we feel that we are in immediate or imminent danger. Our people don't believe that they are fighting for their hearths."

"Well," I said, "what is the matter with you, then? Belgium?"
"Yes, there is a real passion of sympathy for Belgium, a little people like ourselves, flagrantly violated by those who had guaranteed her immunity. That was perhaps the spark that set the kindling alight—but the spark doesn't make the fire."

"France, then?"
"Another spark," said Hewlett. "Loyalty to our allies, the French, invaded by the Germans without a declaration of war. A shameful act which makes the blood boil. These two things set English alight, but the great body of the fire, once kindled, was something else altogether."

"What is it, then?"
"I'll tell you. It is our instinct for freedom, for liberty, which has been aroused; the one instinct, as I hold, for which the English will fight to the last man. It is that which makes this war a war of passion, a war of the heart. It makes a Holy War of it, do you see? The nearest approach to anything of the kind was William Pitt's stand against Napoleon; but this is a bigger thing than that, because the people are much more intelligent now. They travel, they read the papers. They see that liberty is threatened, and they will fight for ever to save that."

WAR OF EXTERMINATION.

"That is what you believe?" He got up and faced me.

"That is why," he said, "this war will last until the Germans are beaten to their knees or the English are exterminated. I hope America will understand that. I know my people well. It is my business to know them. And I am English of the English myself descendant of a yeoman family which was in Somerset before the Normans came."

"The government was well inspired when it declared war. The breach of Belgian neutrality—that flagrant act of brute force—was the last straw. Or change the figure. Call it the arrow which showed the set of the wind. The wind from Germany, set dead for tyranny, for military despotism, the worst of all forms of government, because it relies upon force; because its plea is necessary. And whose necessity, in God's name! Because, finally, it's aim is 'not peace, but a sword.'"

"Let me ask you this: have you ever seen a German with a sword? Do you remember Zaberna? There was a German, with a sword. That Zaberna affair, very probably, was the first thing which stirred our instinct for liberty."

"That showed the set of the wind, you think?"

"Yes, to the people at large, not to

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the government, not to Sir Edward Grey. The people at large know nothing of what he knows about Germany. Why, they don't know as much as I know. I have stayed in German houses, and heard the officers talk in German clubs. I have seen German officers cuff and beat their men with the flat of the sword. I have seen how they behave to women without swords they are pleasant, affable, ordinary people. With swords they are brutal. But the people do not know all that.

"Sir Edward Grey knows that the Pan-German doctrine was nursed by Bismarck long before the war of 1870. He knows that it was Bismarck who provoked that war for which Germany was ready and France was not. He knows, and we all know now, that this present hateful business has been cooking for ten or fifteen years past. In the light of present knowledge we can almost trace the stages of it. It is easy to be wise after the event."

AWAKENING OF

INSTINCT FOR FREEDOM.

"But what besides Zaberna gave him the hint?"

Hewlett threw up his hands.
"Who shall say how the instinct for freedom is awakened? That instinct, I tell you, is in our very nerve centres. We can feel, we can read, the lightest airs that blow upon it. The Austrian's bullying of Serbia, the German's bullying of Belgium; who could misread these things?"

"Yes, I am almost a peace-at-any-price man. I am like a Quaker on that subject. I think war is a disgrace to manhood."

"In the days of the Boer war, I tell you frankly, I was ashamed of my own country. And I was not alone. Don't think that. Nearly half England was with me. There again—as in the case of your own uprisings—we felt that the freedom of a people was being invaded—and invaded by our country. That was hard to bear."

"But here—now—I am heart and soul for it. My son goes—I would send five if I had them—I would go myself (and go I shall if they want such men as I am) with a single heart and a clear conscience. This war is a holy war. I don't believe there is a man against it."

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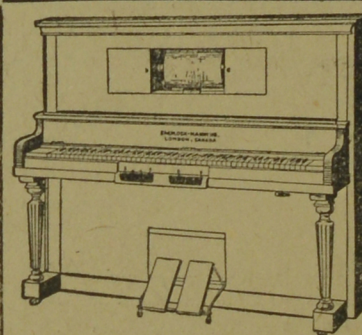
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