"converted"? Alas! How can you if war would be "a great thing for fight a religion that is based upon the United States." the stultification of the intellect and Many who talk thus do so, par-University.

D. PRIESTLEY.

For the Torch of Reason.

Not War But Peace.

guaranty of peace. They are rather menaces of war. There is the greatest danger of war in the counstrongest.

Nations with powerful armies of more pretexts for declaring war against weaker nations, to secure portions of their territory, to take from them certain strategic or comthreatened insurrection at home. Powerful armies tempt to conquest and crime.

the military preparation of the great nations of Christendomnearly 1900 years from the time that Jesus exhorted men to love their enemies and to return good for evil-that when nations are contiguous to one another and have great common interests, each find it necessary to keep a large standing army which can be mobilized at a moment's notice. Without such an army no European nation-extionality.

The result is that the great Christian nations of Europe keep milsea in constant readiness to move to whatever point they are ordered. ness it is not to produce, but to destroy, have to be supported by taxing the poorly paid, poorly fed and poorly clad people who toil like slaves for a living. All the costly business of war is carried on at the expense of the people, whose real interests are advanced only by peace and the pursuits of industry.

The United States, separated from Europe by the ocean and not in need of alliances with any European nations, either for offensive or defensive purposes, does not need a great standing army.

There are many people in this republic, who are so much under the influence of the military spirit which has deluged the earth with blood and debased and enslaved vast populations, that they talk as

the crucifixion of the brain? Some rot-like, repeating what they hear of those poor children will recover or read from jingoes, not knowing from their attack of mental sick- really what war means. If they ness called religion, but the weaker could have experience of war; could ones never will. Those who be- see the killed and wounded; the delieve in free brains and untrammel- struction of the products of labor; ed thought, in teaching how to the widowhood, orphanage, poverty investigate, not how to believe, and wretchedness; the burden of should try to help the Liberal heavy taxation continued through years to pay for the loss and expenses caused by the war; the brutalizing effects of war upon the ignorant or those needing the restraints of home and peaceful social life: the general demoralization Great standing armies are no which results more or less from war; if they could have experience of these, they would be less flippant in talking about war, less tries where the armies are the noisy in shouting for war with England, Germany, Spain, Japan and other nations whenever anyand navies are tempted to make use thing occurs which may be a possible subject for controversy between the United States and those countries.

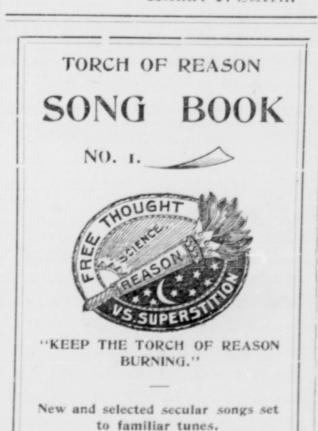
"Peace nath her victories," which mercial advantages, or even to beautify the earth and bless manturn attention from discontent and kind. These are the victories for us to achieve to become permanently preeminent among the nations of the earth. War is to be advocatand plunder, to national injustice ed only when our rights are invaded and when all the resources of Yet such is the disposition and peace have been exhausted without obtaining justice.

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