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# BELGIANS DRAGGED FROM HOMES AND SENT OFF INTO GERMANY

Bishop's Letter of Protest Tells of "Men Snatched From Us by Force" and Prays for the Abolition of European Slavery-"They Know Not Where They Are Going."

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Explanatory Comment by Professor Fernand Mayence.

IS instructive to compare still further the false reasoning and raging sophistries of the deportaoclamation of Lieutenant-Gention eral Hurt with the superb candor, moral majesty and compelling force of Cardinal Mercier's letter given be-

"I ask," wails Hurt, "why have not protesters before waving their voice consulted the provisions of international law applicable to the subject?

"'Assaults on the dignity and on the liberty of workingmen' (quotation from one of the many Belgian protests). Does the honor and dignity of Belgian workingmen command them to permit themselves and their families to be fed assistance when in other localities they can find remunerative labor? Does liberty demand that hundreds and hundreds of thousands of workingmen, healthy

and robust, impelled by a false pastuffs and the maintenance of trafflo?

"'Crime against humanity and the and hunger? . . . Is it not more they know is that their work is to pulsory labor." human to compel the unemployed to benefit the enemy. From several, work to gain the necessary bread for some by cajolery and others by their families?

"Finally, I shall point out that at the time when the first unemployed voluntary.

were sent away some errors and mistakes were committed because the unemployed; but, on the other hand, Belgian administrations had refused they recruit in great numbers—in the aid in designating the interested per- case of the arrondissement of Mons, von Huene for the province of Antsons. His excellency the governor- quite a fourth-men who have never werp. The governor-general retained general immediately ordered an ex-amination of divers cases and brought of very different categories-bakers, it at his leisure. The following day about the return of those persons who butchers, master tailors, brewers, he was kind enough to bring Malines were sent away. The greater facil- electricians, farmers; they take even in person his approval and renewed ities given by the Belgian author- young men, college and university in the presence of two aides-de-camp, Ities to this task, the more will rig- students, or those attending the and my private secretary the promise orous measures and mistakes be higher schools. avoided in the future."

Yet two high authorities of the be respected. German empire had expressly guaran. In my letter of October 1 last to No, Von Bissing was not the only exponent of falsehood and injustice teed to us the liberty of our fellow Baron von Bissing, after recalling the countrymen. with whom Mercler had to contend.

The ring of iniquity was terribly On the day following the capitu-comprehensive. Yet when the car- lation of Antwerp the distracted popdistal took up his dauntless pen the ulation was filled with alarm regard- how painful the burden of my responwhole conspiracy was revealed in the ing the lot of the Beigians of mill- sibility will become in the eyes of most glaring and contemptible colors. tary age or of those who would reach Belgian familles if the confidence re-

(Continuation of Chapter XXX- that age before the end of the occu-The Deportation of the Unemployed), pation. Baron von Huene, military at my instance should be rudely Bands of soldiers force their way governor of Antwerp, authorized me shaken.

into their peaceful homes, drag young to reassure in his name the distressed

Belgians Lined Up For Deportetion Into Germany, and robust, imperied of their arms able to insue to bid a last farewell, ried off to Germany, I begged the able to insue to bid a last farewell, ried off to Germany, I begged the form their captives into troops of governor to be so good as to connue by which wives and mothers are men had been taken and forcibly car-40 and 50, and thrust them by force firm in writing the verbal pledges into military wagons; the locomo- he had given me. He replied that the tive has steam up and as soon as the rumors relative to, the deportation

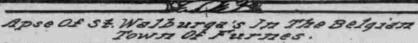
train is filled a superior officer gives were void of foundation and he gave rights of families' (further quotation the signal for departure. Behold me, without hesitation, this declarafrom Belgian indictments). Do the another thousand Belgians reduced tion in writing, which was read on voice of humanity and the well-be- to slavery and without trial or sen- Sunday, October 13, 1914, in all the ing of families demand that men fit tence condemned to the severest pun- parish churches of the province of for labor should loaf in public houses, ishment of the penal code, only sec- Antwerp: "Young men need have no on playing fields and on street cor- ond to the penalty of death, namely, fear of being taken off to Germany ners, while their wives and children deportation. They know not where either to be enrolled in the army, at home endure the pangs of poverty they are going nor for how long; all or to be there employed in com-Plea to Von der Goltz.

threats, they extort an undertaking Immediately on the arrival of Baron to work, which they dare to call von der Goltz as governor-general

at Brussels. I went to request him There is no doubt they enroll the to be so good as to ratify for the that Belgian citizens' liberty would

understanding come to by his pre-On the day following the capitu- decessor, I concluded as follows: "Your Excellency will understand

The governor-general answered:



All Thet The Germans Left Of A Big Flour Mill Near Dixmude

been brought about by social and ed to justify the condemnation of the conomic causes." Just as though, forsooth, the en- servitude and deportation. In his regagements of a man of honor were, ply the cardinal refutes all the argulike a lease, subject to revision at the ments brought forward by Baron von end of one or two years, and as Bissing for defending the German though the declaration issued in 1914 government, and proves, in a perdid not expressly exclude alike the emptory manner. the anti-juridical operations of war and forced labor. and anti-social character of the deas though finally every Belgian work- portation of the unemployed. man who takes the place of a Ger-Archbishop's House, Malines, Nov. 10. man laborer does not contribute to 1916 .- To His Excellency Baron von replenish the depleted ranks of the Bissing, governor-general, Brussels .---Sir: I refrain from expressing to German army.

We, shepherds of these sheep your excellency the sentiments awak-snatched from us by brute force, ened in me by your letter (1.100051) harassed as we are at the idea of the in answer to the letter I addressed to moral and religious isolation which you October 19 regarding the depor- ing power or on the benevolent funds they will have to endure, impotent tation of the unemployed. witnesses of the sorrows and dismay I have a meiancholy recollection of The national committee to which the of so many homes broken up or the phrase, which your excellency.

threatened with this calamity, we emphasizing each syllable, proturn toward these souls whether be- nounced in my presence on your arlieving or unbelieving, who, in the rival at Brussels. "I hope our relaallied or neutral countries, or even in tions will be cordial. . . I have reenemy lands, entertain respect for ceived a mission to heal the wounds the dignity of man. of Belgium."

When Cardinal Laviserie undertook My letter of October 19 recalled to it is upon it you must act. You will von der Goltz, your predecessor in by social and economic causes." onquer only by force of opinion." the general government at Brussels.

May Divine Providence deign to give to some one, to some authority conditional, without limit of time. a phrase, a pen, to cause men to flock "Young men need not fear being carto our humble Belgian standard for ried off to Germany, either to be enthe abolition of European slavery. rolled in the army or to be there em-"Honor before all things" (Nihil ployed in compulsory labor." praeferendum homestati). Signed on behalf of the Belgian

than a fortnight. ishops. D. J. CARDINAL MERCIER,

Baron von Huene and the late Bar-Archbishop of Malines. •We were unable to communicate any qualifications as your dispatch International Copyright, 1 Ledger Co.

than two years, men fit for military service shall not be placed in captivity." They stated absolutely; Young men and still more men of riper age shall not at any time during the occupation be imprisoned or mployed in compulsory labor."

To justify yourself your excellency quotes the conduct of England and France, who have, you say, taken from neutral ships all Germans between 17 and 59 years of age and interned them in concentration camps.

If England and France have been guilty of an injustice, it is on the English and the French that you should have inflicted reprisals, not on an innocent and disarmed people. But has there been any injustice? Imperfectly informed as we are of all that takes place outside the walls of our prison, we are tempted to belleve that the Germans taken and interned belonged to the reserve of the imperial army. They were therefore soldiers whom England and France were justified in sending to concentration camps. Belgium has only recently, that is since August, 1918, had universal military service; the Belglans, therefore, from 17 to 50 years of age residing in the occupied part of Belgium are civilians and noncombatants. It is a mere play on words to liken them to German reservists in applying to them the misleading appellation "men fit for military service."

The orders, public notices, comments in the press designed to pre-Beigian working classes to penal pare public opinion for the measures being put at this moment into execution have placed in the forefront two considerations. The unemployed, it was said, are a danger to public security, they are a burden on the state. It is not true, as said before in my letter of October 19, that our workmen have upset or simply threatened anywhere to disturb public order. Five million Belgians, hundreds of Americans, are wonder-struck witnesses of the self-respect and unfalling patience of our working classes It is not true that workers deprived of work are a burden on the occupy which its administration provides. occupying power makes no contribution is the sole means by which victime of enforced idleness are assisted. These two answers have been left without reply.

#### "Rescued From Idleness."

The letter of October 26 seeks anhis campaign against slavery. Pope your excellency's memory the under- other method of justification. It al-Leo XIII, blessing his mission, said taking given by Baron von Huene, leges that the measure, by which the to him: "Opinion is more than ever military governor of Antwerp, and unemployed have been struck so today the ruling power of the world; ratified some days later by Baron grievously has been "brought about

> "It is because it has at heart more The undertaking was explicit, unearnestly and more intelligently than ourselves the interest of the Belgian nation that the German government rescues the laborer from idleness and saves him from losing his technical skill. Compulsory labor is the price This understanding has been broken to be naid for the economic advandaily, and thousands of times for more tages procured by our commercial exchanges with the empire."

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meal. If for the former arrange either cu a large chop plate or platter, or in medium sized individual portions, as preferred. For the latter serve in quite small portions---not more than 1 slice of tomato, 1 or 2 tablespoons of crab meat, and 2 or 3 teaspoons of dressing to each service. It is of course unsultable for service as a regular "dinner salad." Arrange a bed of fresh cut crisp shredded lettucs (or lettuce "chiffonade"). The let-tuce must be perfectly dry before eutting. Over this arrange slices of fresh ripe tomatoes, well chilled and with the skins removed. Over that with the skins removed. Over that place a layer of crab meat, not cut up as for a salad, but left in large hand-some places, so that one can tell whether one is eating claw or body meat Over this pour any preferred varia-tion of Thousand Island dressing made with a mayonnaise or mayon-naise and cream foundation in which orange juice and tarragon vinegar are used. Rub the mixing spoon with a cut clove of garlic before stirring the chopped ingredients into the mayonnaise. Sometimes a "cooked dressing" is combined with mayonnaise and whipped cream for the foundation of the dressing. Sometimes the soft in-side part of the crab, immediately un-der the back shell, is rubbed smooth with thick cream and combined with a remoulade dressing, in which case a little extra acid (either lemon juice, orange julce or tarragon vinegar) would be needed. Put the dressing over the crab meat just before serving. It must not stand long after the dressing is put on, or a sad watery-looking meas will result. Both crab meat and dressing should be thor-oughly chilled. Sections of hard holled egg and slices of lemon may be used as garnish.

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bolied egg and succes of lemon may be used as garnish. Following is a typical dressing, but many variations are possible. Dressing for Crab Louis.—One cup mayonnaise (or ½ cup mayonnaise) Warmth and beauty, artistic fashloning and the latest cry of fashlon will be found in an eastern robe. The background of finest black satin sets off to superb advantage the embroidery of many-colored silk. This is an F. Simon model and one that is entirely correct. With this robe Milady may wear some of that alluring black georgette underwear or she thay choose pale rose, but black is most fetching and with hosiery of black and black silppers with cut silver buckles, one has a most dashing appearance.

ends, if they are too long for the mould. Melt the enocolate in a double boiler, add the suger, water and wellbeaten egg yolks, cooking slowly un-til thick and smooth. Let get nearly cool, then fold in the stiff-beaten egg whites, sait and one teaspoor vanilia. Cover the lady fingers on the bottom of the mould with this filling, put an-other layer of lady fingers on top of this (with a few cutup marshmallows and nuts if liked) then more filling and so on until the mould is filled, having a layer of lady fingers on top. Place in the ice box for 12 hours or more to become firm. When ready to serve turn out on a serving plate and cover all over with stiff whipped cream, sweetened with one-fourth cup sugar and flavored with one-half tea-spoon vanilla. A few chopped nuts and glace cherries may be used for decoration if desired. A similar type of cake may be made with a filling flavored with strong coffee in place of the chocolate fill-ing given above. whites, salt and one teaspoon vanilla

ing given above.

Cartisis, Wash. Nov. 18.-Dear Miss Fingle: A friend of mine recommended he "Kill Brothers" fruit cake recipe to ne, saying the only place she knew of me rating it was from you. Will you please lither publish it or send it through the mail. Thanking you in sdvance. MRS. C. C. MRS. C. C.

I hope you saw the recipe for I hope you haw the recipe for "Brother Killer" cake in the Sunday Oregonian, November 23. It is nover possible for me to make personal re-plies or to send recipes by mail, but if you missed this number of the Oregonian you could probably obtain a copy through the business office.

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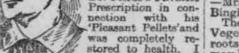
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