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"GOD GIVE US MEN!"

one wrote the beautiful poem France, \$9,998,389 from the shadowing the desire for men as West Indies, and \$6,282,182 leaders to lead the human race from Mexico. The exports of out of the entanglements into gold for the same period were which the many efforts at goverument and guidance are involving the world. The cry is still going out, and the world is were \$57,387,741 and the exanxiously awaiting the appear- ports are \$222,616,156. ance of this latter day leader that the warmth and sunshine of Peace may again mantle the earth as with a blanket.

A mighty leader is a great boon to any people, but unless there is a desire to be led on the part of those needing a leader there is not likely to be much achieved in the movement.

Europe needs something just now, but so far as we can observe it is an application of the Golden Rule, and without that there can be nothing secured but a patched up peace.

"Men are but boys grown tall," and in times past they have had to be whipped into line, so that the big effort now in the Eastern continent is but a sample of the past, except that it is on a larger scale, and is still in process completion.

Nothing comes until the world is prepared for it. When European nations are ready for the cessation of hostilities they will cease in that quarter at least.

Silver and Gold Production for The Year 1915 in the U.S.

\$51,603,060.

the United States from Europe, mainly a result of the greatly increasing balance of trade in favor of this country since the outbreak of the war. For the first ten months of 1915 the im ports of gold were \$345,560,273, of which \$216,302,182 came by way of Canada and \$28,214,049 from England direct, \$24,246,139 from Australia, \$19,050,810 from Japan, \$13,460,700 from South Under the above caption some- America, \$11,519,880 from \$15,875,480 of which \$13,975,-450 went to the West Indies.

The imports of gold in 1914 seas.

The Freedom of the Seas

In commercial circles, one o the first lessons that a young business man is obliged to learn is the fact that figures may be made to lie; in polities nothing is more misleading than a scintillating catch word. The "Crown of Thorns" almost brought immortality to our late Secretary of State, but not quite In the present war nothing has appealed to the sympathy and understanding more than the proposition put forward by Ger many for "freedom of the seas. What is really intended by such an appeal; what is the real significance of the term? At first the answer seems readily given; but should the reader ask the question of his friends he would be surprised at the variety of replies it would bring forth. This proposition as put forth by Germany is evidently a protest against the dominance of Great Britain on the high seas. But the questions naturally arise-

Has Germany ever been hin-

\$25,959,187 and the exports at 1880 twenty ships totalling 55,-000 tons; in the next decade the The year just closed was of feet was more then doubled, conunusual interest with respect to sisting in 1890 of forty-one ships the enormous flow of gold into aggregating 122,883 tons. In the following decade the tonnage was more than trebled, the line possessing in 1900 eighty-three ships totalling 323,931 tons. It had doubled again by 1910, the list showing in this year one hundred and fifty-eight ships of 876,015 tons. At the opening of the war in 1914 the total tonnage had risen to over 1,200,000. In that same year, the North German Lloyd, whose growth during the same period has been also phenomenal, possessed a total tonnage of about 850,000. Evidently her two great steamship companies have had no cause to complain of interference with the freedom of the

Now as to the general maritime trade of Germany: We find that during the calendar year 1913 there entered German ports 14,262,000 net registered tons of German ships and 12.-\$40,000 tons of foreign ships, and that there cleared from German ports about the same amount of shipping, equally divided between foreign and German, the total entered and cleared being 54,238,000 net registered tons of shipping. The total quantity of goods imported and exported by way of the seas in this year reached the huge total of 78,835,105 tons .-Scientific American.

The plant of the Universal Portland Cement Company, a subsidiary of the Steel Corporation, is nearing completion, and the first cement will probably be made about February 1. The present activity in the steel business continues; it is believed that between 2,500 and 3,000 men will be employed in the Steel Corporation's two Duluth plants next spring.



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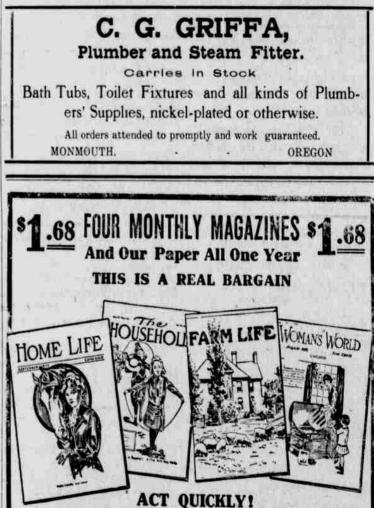
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Increases in the mine proof such freedom until the pres duction of silver were especially ent war began? Has she been notable in Montana, Utah, and the victim of a selfish policy on Arizona, and were considerable the part of Great Britain, that in Idaho, Alaska. New Mexico, has curbed the growth and de- company will be put in boxes imand Texas; but large decreases velopment of either the Imperial mediately and shipped to New were reported from Colorado Navy or her mercantile marine; York to fill an order from the and from Nevada, following has she suffered from prefersimilar decreases in 1914. Pre- ential duties or any prohibitory liminary totals, based on ore laws which have curbed the marketed as distinguished from growth of her foreing commerce ore smelted, indicate a record or the development of her maroutput of nearly 74,000,000 inc power? Has England durounces of silver from all domestic ing the last half century exer mines for 1915; but some of this vised her overpowering naval was produced under stimulation forces against the development of better prices at the close of of any of her neighbors? On the year and will reach metallic the contrary, has not Germany, form at the smelters and refin- as the chief commercial rival of eries this year. England during this period, de-

valued at \$28,504,857, of which unprecedented? \$17,0 6,255 came from Mexico. Let the facts speak for them-

The imports of silver into the veloped her marine marine United States for the 10 months resources, both paval and merending October 31, 1915, were cantile, in a manner which is

\$5,410,020 from Canada, \$3,577,- selves; and by way of showing ting the fruit in the boxes for 627 from South America, and the unbindered growth of Ger-\$1,489,709 from Central Ameri- many's deep sea trade, let us ca, according to the records of look at the record of her prin- the order that will entirely clean the Bureau of Foreign and Do- cipal company, the Hamburg. out the bunkers of the plant will mestic Commerce. The exports American. Organized in 1847 for the same period were valued this line commenced active at \$40,795,086, of which \$29,642; operations in 1848 with four 271 went to England, \$5,563,- sailing ships of 2,441 total ton-811 to Hongkong, \$2,273,500 to nage. In 1860 it possessed six France, and \$1,892,374 to the sailing ships and five steamers West Indies. The total imports of 14,800 tons; in 1870 eleven fore the actual packing season is of silver in 1914 were valued at steamers of 30,000 tons total; in finished. - Observer.

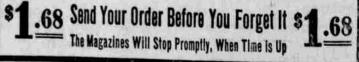
dered or ever suffered from want Prune Demand Firm

The remainder of that part of the 1915 Polk county prune crop purchased by the J. K. Armsby company's main offices. It is customary to hold some of the prunes until just before the picking of the new crop, and this fall the company packed a large number of boxes of prunes left from the previous season for shipment just before the new crop was unloaded at the plant. This order of things will be changed this year, however, and the remainder of the 1915 crop, consisting of approximately 3 carloads, will be packed for shipment as soon as possible. For several days hands have been busy at the big plant preparing boxes to receive the pack and bright and early Monday morning the steam will shipment. A full force of help will report for work Monday and be made ready with all possible haste. The season for the Armsby company has been an unusually good one, and further evidence of this statement is had in the fact that the last of the sea-

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