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Is It Peace?

When the Russian envoys began to pack their grips the world began to sob. President Roosevelt's efforts, so it appeared, were about to end in failure. But suddenly and most unexpectedly, came a cable-gram from the Mikado—Japan yields all. There must be peace.

Also, the bubble had exploded. The Russians may be great in diplomacy, but still greater in the art of bluffing.

Mr. White was hailed as the lion of the hour. Roosevelt was placed on a pedestal and almost worshipped, and the Mikado's prior Mikado, well, the world said "Thank you for your munificence you have won for yourself an envying name; you have made peace."

Yes, peace—glorious peace—but must peace be bought at the price of justice, virtue and national honor? Must peace be bought at the expense of public opinion and sentiment?

We fully realize the horror of war, we sincerely hope that the time will soon come when war will be a thing of the past, and all disputes be settled by the only just and proper method of arbitration. But does that mean that Japan must sacrifice her dignity and her vital interests or hers to ours? Does this mean that the Japanese people should surrender all the spoils of war—just spoils—simply because the world at the present looks this way?

Japan has won laurels during this war. Her soldiers have proved themselves valiant and true—they have made themselves respected and feared, they have given their blood to a sacred cause, and given it willingly and as heroically as any man has ever done in the world's history. They fought, and they died in defense of their country, they fought to assert Japan's right of possession to Manchuria, they fought to establish and maintain peace, and as they went down in battle they died with the knowledge that so far their efforts had not been unavailing, but their brave comrades that were spared have by it to witness—has struck a blow for peace—has established and maintained a peaceful and happy

War may be hell, but when it is waged for a righteous purpose, when carried on for a lofty cause, no holiness it may seem, by every right both earthly and divine, it should be continued to the bitter end. Japan made a just demand. She did not ask indemnity, but only for reimbursement of the cost of the war, a war that Russia forced upon her, a war that Japan waged for self-defense. For this Japan asked money—not one cent more than her expenses. Is that fighting for tribute? Is that a war for dollars, or is it only for principle, and a just, honorable cause?

A man does not desire to be called a man who would sacrifice his self-respect, his pride and his honor because of sentiment and public opinion, and so should it be with a nation, and we are truly sorry that Japan should lay no claim to what she should so rightfully gain because of public opinion. The world may applaud her sacrifice now, but the time will come—and it is not far distant when the same world will go proud and blush her for it.

Yes, a peace has been made, but a peace for how long? With Sakhalin divided, with Russia's sea power still recognized and unlimited in the far East, how long will there be peace?

In the business of the future we can already discern a new outlook. If we can have the right to do and sell the single of battle. "History repeats itself," but let us hope, and sincerely so, that when the next war comes between Russia and Japan, that those sturdy little soldiers will meet with the same successes that they have in the past, and when another treaty is to be made, that those same sturdy braves will live to see their Blumha recognized and appreciated by their ministers and other high officials, so that there will be a peace that is a peace—a lasting and a glorious one, so that the Russian fleet may never cry again: "We have had our Liaoyang and Mukden on land, and our Tsushima on sea, but the Japanese have had their Portsmouth."

The Annexation of Kirkwood. To the Editor of The Chronicle:— Allow me to express the hope that the movement now on foot to annex Kirkwood will succeed, to my mind it is most desirable, the consideration of good roads in Kirkwood with none more than compensate for the additional taxes that we will have to pay, besides the early possibility of sewerage and what is vital to Kirkwood, but more so to the citizens of Camden.

Respectfully, John S. Lindsay. To the Editor of The Chronicle:— Please allow me as a property holder of Camden to endorse the movement now on foot relative to the annexation of Kirkwood. The question of sewerage sooner or later will force itself upon us, and if we need we still have to join forces before we can successfully meet the issue.

Respectfully, John S. Lindsay. The outlook for the future of Camden has never been brighter. Real estate is advancing every day, and building and improvement is going on all the time.

Smith & Beattie. A little child of Mr. John Gardner, who recently moved from Charleston to Camden, died last Tuesday, after a short illness, was called to rest a day or two before the death of the child, pronounced its father to be a well-defined case of small pox. The other children in the family are convalescing. How mild as to the children—Kirkwood Era.

Birth Party. At the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Thompson August 25th was a most successful and enjoyable party given in celebration of the birthday of our little son, James Owen. The evening was spent in a most enjoyable manner. A meeting like this will be remembered throughout life. It was a ray of sunshine and to the hearts of these two old people. We imagined that the happy day had ever come to them. The new change consisted of their friends and relatives who embraced many of the most substantial and loyal citizens of the county. The time was spent in pleasant conversation, relating experiences of days gone by. The principal feature of the day was the excellent dinner which was a feast fit for a king and was served in the presence of all the guests. The time to the guests beneath the burden of a good dinner, and the quantity was lacking.

Camden Supply Co. for your House Feet. Screen Door Paint makes old doors look new. Smith & Beattie. Just received another shipment of nice fresh crackers at The Up Town Grocery. The Girl Miss Stone has a new dress, a very handsome and attractive appearance. DIED—At Camden, S. C., Miss Frances, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Lewis DeSuzanne, in the 76th year of her age. W. R. Pinckney, Surveying and Engineering, Camden, S. C. D. A. HURLEY Correspondent V. P. RANDOLPH AND CO. Dealers in Stocks, Bonds, Cotton, Coffee, Grain and Provisions, Mail Offices 422 Walnut St., Philadelphia. ALEX STEPHENS, Mgr. Camden, S. C. Direct private wires to New York, New Orleans and Chicago. Bell Phone 38. Correspondence Solicited.

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For quarter ending Sept. 30, 1905.

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Fancy & Staple Groceries.

Having bought out the grocery business of Mr. W. M. Young I am now opening up a full line of Fancy & Staple Groceries. I will accept of Mr. Young's Bakery and will be pleased to have friends and the public generally to call and see me. It will be spared to give my customer the very best in every particular. Respectfully, M. K. McDowall.

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COTTON GINNING.

I wish to inform the public that I am prepared to do ginning at my ginney at Longoff, S. C. The work will be done under my personal supervision and I guarantee satisfaction to all my customers. The highest market price will be paid for cotton seed sold at my ginney. Patrons solicited. Respectfully, J. S. Hammond. Aug. 25, 05.

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