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## EDITORIAL

### Superstition.

To the heathen of Senegambia; prosperity, security and general welfare depend upon a grotesquely fashioned idol; to the Christian of Europe these things depend upon huge standing armies and navies. Which will be the first to see the light?

S. C.

### Unreasonable Expectations.

Why expect the Kaiser, who upheld military brutality at Zabern, to condemn similar brutality at Louvain? Why expect the Czar, who approved of Red Sunday and the Kishneff massacre to disapprove of Cossack criminality in East Prussia? When all the armies are through with killing foreigners they will doubtless be prepared, whenever called upon, to deal the same way with their countrymen, who are now cheering, applauding or excusing them. They will deal with them even as they dealt at Dublin a few weeks ago, on the gun running occasion, or as they dealt in 1910 with the strikers at Berlin and suffrage demonstrationists throughout Prussia. Why should one look for squeamishness in soldiers in dealing with vanquished foreigners, when these same soldiers have not hesitated to fire on their own countrymen?

S. D.

### International Responsibility.

This is a good time for persons who hold that the solidarity of the human race is a myth, to gather some new data on the subject. Scarcely had the first ultimatum issued, or the first gun been fired, when our financial affairs were in a fever of excitement. And when, by the aid of the Government, confidence had been restored, it was only to see another trans-Atlantic influence at work. Prices began to advance, and revenue to fall off. Nor will the return of peace in Europe relieve us of the burden of this war. Many people will be impoverished, numerous industries will be destroyed, many of the best men will be killed; and