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man being" whose attributes are both love and wisdom, whose offspring is immortal life.

"The conjugially married are simply merged into one dual manhood which is accomplishing a common purpose in the world. Such a union is interior to that of all possible personal devotion and service. Such a marriage is free from all commercial and other selfish consideration. In such a marriage husband and wife are simply the constituent parts of the life of a completed man in the accomplishment of a social function in the world."

However mysterious the philosophy of Swedenborg may seem to some, however doubtful the reality of such divine marriages, no one can read Mr. Mann's essay without a glimpse into paradise, without a stir of faith in the supremacy of the spirit, a moment of sturdy hope for the ultimate happiness of the human race. A. L. G.

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## UP TO DATE MILITARY EFFI-CIENCY

Germany's Fighting Machine. By Ernest F. Henderson. Published by The Bobbs-Merril Company, Indianapolis. 1914. Price, \$1.25 net.

This is a detailed description, supplemented by numerous illustrations, of Germany's military establishment. Persons wishing to know something of this monster fighting machine in terms more moderate, and presumably more accurate, than those of the daily press, will find the work of service. The author is in sympathy with his subject, as well as being pro-German, and writes in a glowing style. The book was written just at the outbreak of the war, so that it is supposed to be up to date. Yet it is significant that he makes no mention of the monster 42-centimeter guns that have proven to be a surprise to the Allies.

Germany's fighting machine is a wonderful piece of machinery, but it is more terrible than it is wonderful; and one cannot but marvel how such a virile people could be brought to subordinate all their interests to this one of perfecting the means of killing human beings. The book has the same excuse for being that the war maps have, and those who lack a clear understanding of German military resources will find it instructive. s. o.

# PAMPHLETS

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Facts Concerning the Struggle in Colorado for Industrial Freedom. Series I. Issued by the Coal Mine Managers, J. F. Welborn, Chairman, Denver, Colo. September 21, 1914.

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National Honor and Peace. By Louis Broido. National Honor and Vital Interests. By Russell Weisman. Prize Orations of the Intercollegiate Peace Association. Published by the World Peace Foundation, 40 Mt. Vernon St., Boston. October, 1914.

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# PERIODICALS

#### National Municipal Review.

Among other interesting matters in the October number of The National Municipal Review (Railroad Square, Concord, N. H.), is an article by Joseph Dana Miller on "The Singletax and American Municipalities." Mr. Miller begins with a caution to students, "that the exemption of improvements and the resort to a land value tax for municipal purposes alone, may not bring in its train all the advantages that will follow the adoption of the full singletax, or the taking of all economic rent, or land value." Mr. Miller shows briefly the results that have followed the untaxing of improvements in western Canadian cities, and in Houston, Texas. He makes clear that the very limited application of singletax principles in these places has had beneficial results, although not equal to what would follow complete application. He tells, furthermore, of what has been done in other American cities than those named to secure similar legislation and makes clear that in spite of all obstacles and opposition the movement is making rapid progress. The article seems just the thing to hand to the busy inquirer who wants to know just what has been accomplished on the American continent toward practical application of the singletax.

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It is easy in the world to live after the world's opinion. It is easy in solitude to live after our own. But the great man is he who in the midst of the crowd keeps with perfect sweetness the independence of solitude.—Emerson.

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We will speak out, we will be heard, Though all earth's systems crack; We will not bate a single word, Nor take a letter back. —James Russell Lowell.

