

predict that the monthly journal will be even better received for, apart from the disappearance of stale news, we have received assurances, from all the Departmental officers, of valuable help in the shape of contributions based on enquiry and practical work.

We crave the indulgence of several of our esteemed contributors for our inability to publish all the contributions which we have so far received from them at once. The delay in the printing caused by our later printers has resulted in a large accumulation of matter. For the same reason and on account of the fact that the larger Quarterly Journal has been changed into a smaller monthly, we regret very much that we are unable to publish all the papers read at the Conference in extenso and some of the interesting Munagala Prize Essays. We propose to publish these or copious summaries of these from time to time in the succeeding Monthly issues.

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### **The War.**

The greatest war which was ever fought on the face of the earth is now raging in Europe; and we, Indians, who are proud of our loyalty to the British Empire and to the person of His Majesty the King Emperor, are gratified at the action taken by His Majesty and by His Majesty's Government that they would rather make enormous sacrifices in men and money than allow treaty rights to be violated and the neutrality of a small independent country encroached upon by the militant German

Emperor. If the loyalty of a nation can be measured by the amount of sacrifices which it can make in times of danger—and we believe no better gauging can be so correct—, then it is a red letter day for India and India's people—princes and peasants, officials and non-officials, congressmen and swarajists, moderates and extremists—that they have been allowed to make sacrifices of no mean order throughout the length and breadth of the country, for the maintenance of the British Raj. The British Kingdom, based on its constitutional Government, has always been known amongst the nations of the world for the justness of its cause and the sobriety of the judgment of its King and ministers; and, entering on this terrible war for the sake of justice and right principles, the British Empire is bound to succeed in the end and we pray that this end may come about as soon as possible. On the testimony of His Majesty the King Emperor, His Majesty's ministers and both the Houses of Parliament, we may say that the war has indirectly resulted in knitting the bond of fellowship between Great Britain and India. That the Indian Soldiers have been allowed to take actual part in the fighting, shoulder to shoulder with the armies of the Colonies and of the European nations, is a source of immense satisfaction to the people of India, although there is a general regret that more of us have not been trained earlier for a military service. His Excellency, Lord Hardinge, on whom, as Viceroy, the duty lay of steering the country in these perilous times, has won the admiration, gratitude and love of the whole

country. We once more pray for speedy success for the British arms.

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### **College Day Celebrations, 1914.**

This year's College Day was celebrated with the usual success, a very large number of visitors and guests attending in response to an invitation issued by the President and members of the Working Committee. Among them mention may be made of the Hon'ble Mr. Ll. E. Buckley, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Couchman, Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Chadwick, several Honorary visitors of the College and Honorary members of the Union, all the gazetted officers of the Department and a large number of old students. A larger number of mofussil Farm Officers had been deputed by the Department this year to attend the College Day and Conference and this contributed a good deal to the success of the gathering. Suitable arrangements had been made for the comforts of the visitors and guests, Mr. C. Tadulingam Mudaliar, Hostel Warden kindly arranging for their boarding and the resident officers and students providing accommodation for them in their houses and rooms. Mr. M. R. Ramaswami Sivan, as Captain of the Volunteer corps, had organised a band of 50 willing students to attend to the reception and comforts of guests, the laying out of the sports grounds and the decorations of the lecture hall, the stage and the maidan; and he was ably assisted by Messrs. K. T. Bhandary, K. Sankaranarayana Aiyar, K. Jacob Cheriyan and S. Narayaniah, besides the student-serjeants. The usual College Day rosettes were worn by the visitors, staff and students and the sale proceeds thereof was a decent addition to the College Day funds. The Committies' thanks are due to Mrs. K. Krishnamurti Rao, Mrs. T. Lakshman Row and Mrs. M. Mangesh Rao for kindly making the rosettes. The whole College and surroundings presented a festive appearance for all the 4 days, 17th to 20th