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Editorials

A Drawn Battle

IT grows more and more apparent every day that the final result of the war in Europe and Asia must be a drawn battle.

Germany and Austria-Hungary can never obtain what they started out to accomplish. Their dream was to still further partition France, capture Belgium and the Dutch states, make a clear way from the North and Baltic seas to the Adriatic and Mediterranean, make France and Great Britain subject powers, dictate the policies of all western Europe and dominate the ocean trade of the world.

It is plain now that when that power met its first check in Belgium, it should have opened negotiations for peace.

And while France has maintained her place with magnificent valor, while Great Britain and Russia have, under the war's attritions steadily grown more and more formidable, they can none of them, nor all of them, utterly break the Teuton arm. Germany has poured out German blood like water. She has not attained what she struck for, but her territory is still intact and behind her defenses are still bristling her long lines of fighting men. They still number millions and her machinery of war is in as perfect running order as it was when the first gun of the war sounded the beginning of the wreck of Europe.

The lesson ought to be that civilized nations have reached a point where an appeal to arms to settle differences between them is a crime; that the seek-

Successful Men of Utah



MATTHEW H. WALKER, son of Matthew and Mercy Long Walker, was born in Yorktown, England, January 16th, 1845. His ancestors were all English and he traces the lineage back to prior to the Norman conquest. His father was a woollen merchant and hotel proprietor. When Matthew was but five years of age the family came to America, and in 1852 made the long journey by wagon across the plains to Salt Lake City, arriving here when Mr. Walker was but seven years of age.

Salt Lake City was but a hamlet then; the histories of the city and M. H. Walker have been inseparably connected.

The only chance the boy had to obtain even the rudiments of an education was such as was supplied by the common schools of that time and though inspiration and revelation grew on the bushes here then, not many bushes grew near the school houses. Nearly every one was poor in purse at that time and it is enough to say that with the means at hand the people did the best they could.

The Walker family were alert to better their conditions, but from the very first the ruling thought was that they could best succeed if all around them were prosperous so from the very first the idea with them was to live and let live, and so from the beginning they took a deep interest

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ing to perfect the
of murder
through war has out-
done itself; for it in-
volves so much suffer-
ing and so much ex-
pense that while na-
tions may satiate their
blood lust, there is no
appeal to reason in the
mighty sacrifices; that
out of soil so saturated
with blood only hate
and cruelty and sorrow
and a desire for ven-
geance springs.

That is the situation today and behind it all, when the field is surveyed, the things most in evidence are broken hearts, acres of graves, poverty, empty cradles, cripples, lunatics, sad-eyed women and the spectre of famine stalking over whole states like cormorants.

We do not think that the neutral nations are doing their duty. We think our own republic is most to blame among them all.

We think that the representatives of all the neutral nations should be in session now and even though the belligerents should repel every overture, that body should hold daily sessions, and every night send out a bulletin to the world stating conditions among the belligerents and making clear that the hate and fury and false pride that is driving them on are availing them nothing. It is a disgrace to our republic that it supinely accepts the assumption that it is without influence or righteous power.

The Mining Center

THE most potent reason why a strong military post and supply depot should be established here is because from this point a heavy force could be