

## British Fairplay.

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There is one beam of light in the general darkness. We are embarked on the greatest war this nation has ever been engaged in, but we are embarked on it in the right spirit. The nation is united in one thought and one object as, perhaps, it has never been united before; but it is notably free alike from panic and hatred. This is not a war of peoples, but of despots and diplomatists. It is, we may hope, the last supreme struggle of the old dispensation against the new. — It is the twilight of the War Gods. Let us be quite clear in our minds as to the real enemy. We have no quarrel with the German people. In all the centuries we have never fought them before, though we have often fought by their side. They are allied in blood and in genius to our own race, and our debt to them in all the spheres of science, art, and civilization is not less than their debt to us. With the growth of commerce they have become our greatest customers among all foreign nations, and the time will come when they will be our customers again. Let us remember this now, when the lot of many Germans in this country, people who have lived honorably amongst us for many years, will be hard to bear unless we have some sense of chivalry to helpless victims of the war.

—A. G. Gardiner.