PRIMATE ON THE WAR.
NATION'S CLEAR CONSCIENCE

The Primate, preaching at an intercession service in Canterbury Cathedral on Friday afternoon, said that, so far as he could see, our conscience as a Christian State and people was as regards this war wholly and unchallengeably clear. We might, he supposed, for a time have stayed outside; but to have stayed outside at this juncture would, as he understood it, have been at the cost of England's honour, at the cost of England's chivalry to weakened peoples, at the cost of England's faithfulness to plighted word. Could any of us for the sake of avoiding war have asked God's blessing upon that? These times of stress proved what was a people's character. Out of and through such hours had come the occasions of noblest Christian service, the occasions and the power to use them. It was not in quiet and peaceful times that Christian heroes like Henry Lawrence, Havelock, or Gordon bore an undying message which would live whilst England stands.