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### EMPIRE DAY.

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The fourth Empire Day since the beginning of the great war finds us midst happenings which will have vital effect upon the future of the whole world; the valiant armies of the Allies, locked in a mighty struggle with the hordes of German Kultur, now stand with their "backs to the wall." In their ranks are found "Afric's sons of color deep;" men from India's loyal people; warriors from the land of the Maple Leaf, and the Anzacs from the King's possessions in the Pacific. Never in its history did the British Empire find her sons standing shoulder to shoulder so nobly, in unison of thought and action; the watchwords of the Empire Day movement - responsibility, duty, sympathy and self-sacrifice - were never sounded forth in a more practical, substantial and powerful manner.

As the mighty armies of Britain remain firm midst the blood-drenched fields of France and Flanders; as the brave men who know neither defeat nor surrender, from the four quarters of the earth over which flies the red, white and blue emblem of liberty and justice, keep the name of Britain, and all which that name stands for, unstained; let it be the sacred duty of the teachers throughout the vast Dominion this coming Empire Day, to deepen and strengthen the knowledge of an undivided, though battle-scarred Empire in the minds of those under their charge. Soon the boys and girls of today will be called upon to take the places of those who have laid down their lives in upholding the honor of that Empire, and until then it is the blessed work of those in whose keeping they now are to so instil into their minds the lessons of true patriotism and an undivided Empire, that they will continue to grow up faithful and loyal subjects of his gracious majesty, King George.

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## ARBOR DAY.

Arbor Day will be observed by the New Brunswick and Nova Scotia schools in a few days. In New Brunswick the first Provincial Arbor Day was observed May 20, 1887, although some counties, notably Charlotte and Carleton, observed special Arbor Day a year or two before that. In Nova Scotia, Arbor Day was observed as early as 1884.