

wisdom have accomplished this result, and made of it an international possession.

Pasteur has revealed to us a law of blood and death, wrestling against a law of peace and of health in our individual lives, his observations have disclosed a similar law in the lives of nations. an illustration of the great truth that unity pervades all life! It is for us who believe in human progress, who have ceased to believe in Chance, and look to the recognition of law for guidance in the direction of human affairs, to say on which side we stand. Whether it is conquest we seek, or the relief of humanity. Whether we will further in our aims new means of destruction, or seek the further deliverance of man from the scourges which beset him.

This celebration of 100 years of peace affords an opportunity for a continent to place itself on record before the world, and if the peoples, whose privilege it is to share in this mighty project will but rise to the high level of this sublime occasion, the celebration will not be a series of perfunctory addresses on the horrors of war and the glories of peace, but a proclamation of achievement in human progress and international good-will which will fire the imagination of the entire globe.

W.L. Mackenzie King Papers  
Volume D 7