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NEW YEAR'S GREETING TO CANADIAN YOUTH



ON the threshold of another year the young man and maiden can well afford to pause and take thought for the future, not with mere idle speculations as to what that future holds, but with stern resolve to make it yield rich stores of blessings for humanity and one's self. The hope of the Canadian nation is in its youth—the product of God-fearing, law-respecting, education-loving homes, and while old heads cannot be expected to sit upon young shoulders, the youth of the country must not forget that they are expected to play their parts like men.

Fertile lands and a wholesome climate are in themselves but trifles in determining the progress of a nation or the health of the body politic; that depends upon the new blood that pulsates through the body of the nation.

Young men and young women, your responsibilities are great and ever increasing; you cannot and must not shirk those duties, if you are to be considered true and faithful sons and daughters of Canada and the Empire! The great fields of education and politics, of agriculture and the industries are calling for honest and untiring workers, and I bid you, as one comrade to another, take up the fight for the betterment of humanity and the coming of the dawn, so that while you and I may not live to see the accomplishment of the poet's dream,

"Till the war-drums throb'd no longer,
And the battle flags were furl'd
In the Parliament of man, the Federation
of the world."

we shall, when called upon to lay down our work, be gladdened by "Well done, good and faithful servant."

THE EDITOR.