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Canada at Britain's Side

Publisher's Note

This book contains a collection of significant speeches and addresses delivered since the outbreak of war by the Right Honourable W. L. Mackenzie King. They constitute an authoritative account of Canada's part in the war by the Prime Minister of Canada.

In the selections made, the publisher has sought to provide a connected and continuous account of Canada's war effort appropriately set against the background of the struggle itself. As a means of uniting the whole, the selections are preceded by brief notes which give the setting and other relevant facts. The exact texts have been used. Editing has been confined to the deletion of passages which are repetitive or of lesser interest. Where there have been deletions, slight verbal amendments have been made to preserve continuity.

Certain dominant notes recur in Mr. Mackenzie King's speeches. The first of these is his insistence on the fundamental nature of the issue in the war. From the outset his vision has been clear. He has seen the struggle as a conflict between the pagan conception of a