

man. They insisted that what must be said is "there is a man to whom the possibility of a self-earned livelihood must be assured." The kindest thing that can be done for a blind man is not to guide him, but to teach him to guide himself; in the same way, there is little benevolence in contributing to the dependence of a wounded soldier. The truest kindness to him is that which can exclaim "thanks to me, there is a man who no longer needs help."

Brieux draws a wise comparison between children and disabled men. For the moment, a man disabled in the war needs the same care as does a child. Like a child he must be supported and educated. A man who has been severely wounded or has suffered an amputation is himself neither physically nor mentally. It takes some time before complete equilibrium is recovered after so violent a shock; there are some who never become completely themselves; such weakness increases the country's obligations to its disabled. It is not enough to secure a comfortable livelihood to disabled men. They must also be assured self-respect and confidence in themselves. They must not only receive pensions but they must be made capable of supporting themselves. Sometimes it is difficult to persuade men to accept the treatment and education necessary to attain that end. In continuing his comparison between children and disabled men Brieux writes: "Everyone knows how easy it is to gain the affections of a child by spoiling it. Parents who do so are fortunate if they never know the unhappiness which they have caused to those whom they have loved unwisely. They are fortunate, too, if they never hear reproaches from children who have learned that they have a right to make them."

By wise provision Canada can make certain that the future will bring no reproaches from those of her children who have fought for her. As their need demands, their injuries should be treated; they should receive pension and they should be given instruction and opportunities enabling them to support themselves. Four conditions must be satisfied before a disabled soldier can be considered to have become