

heroes, 90 per cent. of the patients up to the present being from parts of the Empire other than Canada. Many of us are too old or otherwise physically unfit to go to the trenches to fight, and our women cannot go to the trenches, although none have worked harder or shown greater patriotism and sacrifice at home than they, but we all, men and women alike, want to be represented at the front. And so we purchased for the Ontario Battalions 500 extra machine guns, paid for by all of the people of Ontario and representing the people irrespective of age and sex ; therefore, while the fight is on, the people of our Province send their note of defiance to the German hordes, spelt out in letters of blood, by means of hundreds of thousands of shots per minute, that the people of this far-off Province, thousands of miles away from the scene of conflict, are in this fight to the last drop of their blood, to the last ounce of their strength, to the last dollar of their money, until German tyranny and Prussian brutality are completely overthrown. But our greatest boast of all is the splendid generosity of our people as exhibited by their freewill offerings to the Patriotic Fund, the Canadian Red Cross Fund, the British Red Cross Fund, and in a hundred different other ways, to help in the struggle.

Before this century has passed away, I believe Canada will have a population as large as that of Great Britain itself. Our natural resources are so great and so rich that capital will come from some quarter of the world to develop them, and in doing so will reap a rich harvest. As a Canadian interested in the progress, prosperity and development of my country, I have no fear but that in due time we will get people to fill our vacant places, and money to develop our resources and build up our great industries ; but as a Briton, as a citizen of the great British Empire, and one anxious above all things to see that Empire take its place in the world that it should, I am concerned about the type of the people that will augment our present population, and the source of the money that will secure control of our resources. It is a great thing to be an Englishman, a Scotsman, an Irishman or a Welshman—a vastly greater thing than it was before the war. To men born in