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### An Appeal to the Church

(By W. C. Paynter, President of the  
People's Political Association  
of Canada.)

With this issue the constitution and platform of the People's Political Association will go simultaneously to several hundred of the Christian ministers of different denominations and we would like to address a few remarks to you, as a representative of the gospel of Christ, heralding the "Glad tidings of great joy" which shall be to all people the glad tidings of the Kingdom "Thy Kingdom come Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven."

How can a kingdom of justice and equity be established on earth unless the believers of the glad tidings sanction by their vote the establishment of such a kingdom.

If all the people in Canada who believe in "Peace on earth, and good will toward men" would unite their voting power to elect only such men as are actively working in the cause of such righteousness, the power of evil in politics would soon be overcome.

The People's Political Association of Canada has united the forces of nearly all the independent farmers and laborers organisations.

We stand firm upon the sound platform of justice and equity between man and man, and say that no class of people should be allowed privileges whereby they secure to themselves the franchises, and the lands, the timber and the minerals of our country, which a wise creator had stored away in nature's bosom for the use of countless generations yet to come. But we see at the present time on all sides those who should be our brothers, stealing our father's heritage to all his children, exalting themselves as worshippers and gainers of Mammon, thus impoverishing their fellow men.

And we see partyzanship so strong in the political arena that these cor-

porations and grafters, who control the nation, keep the Christian forces divided, annulling their strength while they reap the victories, and divide the spoil, until the cry goes up from the suffering millions, "How long, O Lord, how long." Shall the gambler, hoodler, speculator and monopolist reap what we sow.

Matthew, 23-1 says, "For they bind heavy burdens, and grievous to be borne, and they lay them on men's shoulders, but they themselves will not move them with one of their fingers." See also, verses 14-23-29.

Can you as a minister of the gospel throw your influence toward the building up of a righteous political association, that will always be found working with love and sacrifice for the advancement of equity and human brotherhood. 1 John 2-10. "He that loveth his brother abideth in the light." And it would be an impossibility for me to love my neighbor one day, and on the next try to secure some of his hard earnings, necessary for the support and comfort of his life, by taking advantage of him in some trade or commercial enterprise.

Jesus says, Matt. 22-37: "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, this is the first commandment with promise." And the second is like unto it, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." Verse 40. "On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets." And again John says, 1 John 4-20 "If a man say I love God and hateth his brother he is a liar." Verse 21 "He who loveth God, loveth his brother also."

Can a man love his brother and sell him such vile concoctions of liquors for gain?

Can we love our brothers, and constituting as we do a collectively ruling power as great as Caesar, license some of our brothers to sell to others for the sake of mammon, that which leads to suffering, murder and suicide. Let me bring this home to you, last week while holding our organisation convention at Regina, a smart young man of a neighboring town, sobering up from a great spree committed suicide by cutting his throat. The account of his death has not yet reached the papers. It is always better to suppress the truth when alcohol is to blame. And in the same village reside two Christian ministers with good congregations, teaching the precepts of Christianity, that we are our brother's keeper, and that we should love one another, and still they have not enough power to prevent a murder and suicide factory in their midst.

I have just received the following letter from an uncle in Michigan: "You will of course have seen an account of that terrible tragedy in Owen Sound last week, triple murder and attempted suicide, and the culprit is John Creighton, an old neighbor and playmate of our youth. He started out in life as a business man with fine prospects, but intemperance has been his downfall, and now he is a murderer, Poor Jim. Such an

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ending. That cursed whiskey, how many are its victims. So many of my schoolmates and companions of my young manhood have gone down that slippery path. It will about kill his poor aged mother. Use every endeavor to drive the cursed drink traffic out of your country."

I call upon every thinking man and earnest Christian to rally to the support of the People's Political Organisation of Canada and use it to wipe out, not only this evil, but all other evils that are eating as a cancer into the very vitals of our national life.

I appeal to the youth of our country just dawning into manhood, "to men in their prime, to age with experience fresh gathered from time," that they will use the education they have received; often through the sacrifice of their parents to secure the betterment of existing conditions, and now that we have the establishment of a party whose object is to capture the political power of Canada, to come to its support.

Will you, my Christian brother, lay aside your discussions on creeds and dogmas which cause strife and dissension, and with hearts overflowing with love toward the hungry, sick and oppressed, organize the Christian forces of your district and co-operate with our People's Political Association. Send your delegate to our convention in February, and let us present such a solid force for righteousness and such a shout for victory that the kingdom of evil shall totter and fall as the walls of Jerico.

"On to victory,  
We march, we march along,  
On on to victory,  
With ballot, cheer and song,  
On on to victory,  
We lead the glorious way.  
We're in the right  
We'll win the fight  
And win it in our day."  
Tantallon, June, 14, 1908.

### Mr. Wellington's Motion

(To the Editor Labor's Realm)  
Dear Sir,—It is not very often I go into print in reference to political matters, but as I, along with the rest of the members of the Liberal Party in the Assembly, were put in a false position in respect to the employment of prison labor, I ask a small space in your paper to explain.

When Mr. Calder moved the second reading of the resolution from the Committee of Ways and Means, Mr. Wellington moved an amendment to the motion as follows: "That this House strongly disapproves of the proposal of the Government to employ prison labor in connection with the public works of the Province at any time, but more especially at the present time when there are so many unemployed men in various parts of the Province."

The Premier stated that the Government had not intended to use prison labor in competition with artisans or skilled labor, and would not use prison labor at all while the la-

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