

old sublime dream which priest and soldier of old France dreamed at Quebec in the sixteenth century, now dreamed anew by us who have come to that point of time mentioned in our sacred books when our "Young men shall see visions and our old men shall dream dreams." We of whitened heads dream the dream, but you younger men of fewer years shall live to see that dream fulfilled in vision, seen of all, a continental empire of which Canadians are a noble and essential part, stretching from sea to sea, and of which to be citizen shall be greater than to be king.

Listen to this and consider. There are three ages or regimes—two of which have been realized in history and the other is now here. The first is the military age. In it, men are born for the sword and by it die. He who is gifted to make combinations of men and movements that kill quickest and most is chiefest over all. Among all men, whatever name he takes, he stands highest. Such was Alexander, such Cæsar, such Hannibal and Scipio, such Frederick and Marlboro' and Napoleon. Under such a regime men are only fighting animals. Their power to strike and kill gives them their value. Policies are shaped for battles. There is no glory but that of war. The increase of the Lord's earth is fed to armies, and cradles of male children are rocked to fill bloody graves.

The second regime is the Ecclesiastic. It is both better and worse than the first. I will not characterize it. You are intelligent and know what it is. In it all is done for what men call religion. All ma-