

It may, of course, be argued that this is a time for deeds and not for words, that the German monster must be laid low before we can debate the academic question of Imperial organization. The answer to this is two-fold: first, that the question is not academic but sternly practical; and secondly, that those who cannot fight have a duty to perform in behalf of their fellow-countrymen overseas. On those of us who are left behind is laid the responsibility of determining, each for himself, what is the true status and what should be the destiny of this country. The Round Table Groups have been founded and are now being increased in number for the purpose of providing the means of study and discussion which are necessary to such an end. The work of these Groups, by reason of their non-partisan composition, is in the nature of a free enquiry. Whatever may be the conclusions of their members, their study will have accomplished much; for an informed public opinion is the best guarantee that Canada's future will be guided by sober judgment, and that her soldiers will not have fought vainly.