

ernment would not be entirely acceptable to the Oversea States. Direct association and representation of Greater Britain's Governments on such committees must precede any national organization of the Empire's naval and military forces, and is essential to their intelligent co-ordination ;

The formation of an Imperial General Staff ;

The interchange of Colonial naval and military officials, tending materially to strengthen the ties of Empire ;

The administration of such regiments as the King's Colonials—composed of citizens of the Oversea States resident in Great Britain.

(b) Imperial trade—including the establishment of a system of preferential tariffs bringing strength and support to the development and perfect unity of the Empire—a business basis of unity—and in this connection it may be considered desirable to establish a representative Imperial committee dealing with Customs duties throughout the Empire ;

The establishment of inter-Imperial mail services ;

The establishment of a complete inter-Imperial system of wireless telegraphy or cable service, and the reduction of cable rates, for “you cannot instruct the democracy of the British Empire at a shilling a word”);

The reduction of postage rates on newspapers circulated within the Empire ;

(c) Imperial laws—the unification of the laws of the Empire relating to shipping and navigation, patents and copyright, bankruptcy, corporations, marriage, naturalisation, and citizenship, negotiable instruments, weights and measures and coinage ;

The establishment of one Imperial Court of Appeal for both the Motherland and the Oversea States.

(d) Imperial emigration—the organisation of an Imperial system to direct the emigration of landless men from overcrowded provinces towards other Imperial States with menless land, a question bound up with the questions of defence and economic and commercial development, the maintenance of British sentiment, language, nationality and ideals ;

The establishment of an Imperial Labour Exchange, making labour an interchangeable commodity throughout the Empire ;

[Steadily and persistently the *Standard of Empire* has been urging the formation by the Imperial Government of a Department of Imperial Migration, and the making of Labour Exchanges All-British to deal with the labour supply and demand in every portion of the Empire.—ED.]

We want our trade, our emigrants, our surplus capital to go to the Empire rather than to foreign countries, thereby adding to the strength and stability of the Imperial provinces, on whom will rest in future a large measure of the responsibility of maintaining the Empire's supremacy.