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Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, who has been appointed to conduct ~~the~~ inquiries into industrial relations under the Rockefeller Foundation, has qualifications which enable him to bring to the task the impartial ~~and disinterested~~ attitude of the scientific investigator, the sympathy of the social worker and the practical experience of a man of affairs. Though ~~somewhat~~ under forty years, he has already had a career exceptional in its range of opportunities and responsibilities. Having been of recent years in a prominent position in public life, many incidents connected with his work are already familiar to the public, but the following outline may serve to illustrate to what a degree he <sup>is</sup> especially qualified for the important work he is about to begin under the Rockefeller Foundation.

Mr. King is a Canadian by birth. He is a graduate in Arts and Law of the University of Toronto. In 1896 he began post-graduate studies in Economics in the United States - first as Fellow in Political Economy at the University of Chicago, and later as Scholar and Fellow in Political Economy at Harvard University. While at Chicago he was for a time a resident worker at the Hull House Social Settlement. From Harvard Mr. King received the degrees of Master of Arts and Doctor of Philosophy. He was awarded a traveling fellowship by the University and spent the year 1899-1900 studying industrial conditions in Europe. At the end of the year he was appointed Instructor of Political Economy on the Harvard staff. This position Mr. King resigned to undertake the organization in Canada of a Department of Labour as a new department of

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