

"It was said long ago that weak men make war and strong men make peace. We cannot suppose that our Ministers are unaware of what is at stake. The future destiny of mankind is at stake. We can all assist in creating an atmosphere which will help them in doing what Lord Canning and we were doing here, 'aiming at the best and most satisfactory peace resting not on conquest and domination.' These, again, are general words. It is the spirit which matters. And the proper spirit surely is not to base our future relations with other countries on the basis of lasting hatred. No human relations based on lasting and incessant hatred between nations have ever proved beneficial in all history or ever will. If the Pope makes us realize this a little sooner rather than a little later the difference may mean the saving of millions of young lives."