

PREFATORY REMARKS.

This pamphlet is dedicated by the author to his fellow-Canadians everywhere as a New Year greeting, with the expectation that it may assist at least some who hitherto may have given little serious consideration and have not very clear views of the Money Question, and induce others who may have given much thought to it, but who still, through old associations, cling to gold as the best or proper standard of money, to consider the whole question in all its phases, free and unbiassed as far as possible by other men's opinions, or predilections, and so arrive at conclusions and convictions clear and satisfactory to themselves, as the result of their own enquiry. After, and as a result of, such consideration and enquiry, the author is convinced beyond a peradventure that the Money Question is the most important, easily put right, and urgent for immediate solution at this time on this continent, and that by a proper standard of money, a sound money system, and sound principles of lending and borrowing upon real estate, that Canada, by wise and prudent legislation, can be delivered from her crushing load of national and individual mortgages in a marvelously short time and the debts incidentally be turned into a good bond to bind us Canadians together.

There is no manner of doubt but that a perfectly safe national money system can be framed and worked with-