

dom and our precious heritage of constitutional government and equal law.

Strengthening the parts we most effectually strengthen the whole, and protecting the whole we must surely protect the parts.

General Sir John French

You must prepare. When the time arises I have no doubt there will be tens of thousands willing to defend their country, but unless these have been previously prepared, they are useless for that great duty. I heartily sympathize with the laudable object of the Canadian Defence League.

A Sacred Duty

But most important of all, what of those good and honest people who are conscientiously opposed to military and physical training of the boys, and to Lord Stratford's munificent gift towards that object. Is it conceivable that the people of Canada are willing to look forward to the day, be it twenty or thirty years hence, when this country will be a tempting prey on account of her wealth, and an easy mark on account of the feebleness of her people, and their inability to defend themselves and their country?

No! I do not believe that the people wish the rising generation to grow up unacquainted with arms, a supine and feeble race. It cannot be and it shall not be. It is a sacred duty to be prepared to defend one's country. We have the authority of the most eminent clergy for this. History tells us that wealthy, prosperous and cultured races, when they forgot the art of war, always went down before less wealthy, less cultured, but more warlike races.

—Lt.-Col. A. M. Smith, London, Ont.

Ontario Artillery Association Endorses Universal Training

At the annual general meeting of the Ontario Artillery Association, held in Toronto in January, 1913, the following resolution was passed and sent forward to the Canadian Artillery Association:

"Resolved that this Association commends and approves of the principle of Universal Military Training for Canada."