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It is no over-sanguine prediction to say that we are now actually emerging from that darkest hour that precedes the dawn, that the day is breaking and that already we can see the faint-rays of the rising sun of victory stealing upward behind the distant hills. Perhaps our artist has dealt too gently with the pathway. We have a rough road to travel, a precipitous height to scale, but the morning light lures us on, we shall reach the summit, and we know that behind it unfolds in all its splen-dour the Day of Victory and lasting peace.

As we strain our eyes to look beyond the smoke of battle towards the morning of the day of peace, we begin to realize how war has recreated world conditions, how much has been destroyed and how extensive will be the task of reconstruction. We have been carried bodily from the atmosphere of individual enterprise into one of governmental administration and control. There has grown a corporateness of action and effort which has displaced the ideal of self-assertion which dominated the field in August, 1914, and we have begun to reckon in the largest terms of society, nation, empire, and even internationalism. We shall not recede in a day or year to the old position, - and if we are wise we shall rebuild for the nation, at least, and the greatest good of the whole body corporate.

Already steps are being taken to such a large end, and the Imperial Conference, which has just closed its sessions in London, has formulated a scheme whereby the Government shall control certain lines of industry and commerce after the day of peace has dawned. Already the Canadian Industrial Reconstruction Association has formulated a National Policy, looking forward to the time when between 600,000 and 700,000 men now engaged either in our army or in war work shall have to find employment on the farm or in factories or other industries under peace conditions. Already also the Labour situation is becoming most acute and the tendency of Labour to take the reins into its own hands, regardless of industrial stability, is creating a very critical situation throughout the world.

It is well that study and preparatory work is grappling with all these problems. It will be well if a moral and social stability is being consolidated even now so that reconstruction may be made upon an abiding foundation and in Refreshments will be served.

an atmosphere freed from the poison of class animosity, favouritism and greed.

We must not, however, allow these growing problems of nation or empire to divert our attention from the fact that the war is not yet won, that Germany is still a colossal military power, and that we are fighting today, as we began fighting four years ago, to rid the world of the curse of militarism and the unspeakable scourge of war. The German ideal has been recently reaffirmed by the Deputy Chief of her General Staff, Baron Freytag-Loringhoven, in a book entitled "Deductions from the Great War''. His sole contention is that war is glorious and that Germany must continue to trust in her army and her fleet. This war must at least pave the way for a more successful one in which her dreams of world-domination shall be realized. This blunt challenge to the world, with its scoffing at the idea of a league of nations to enforce peace, must not be allowed to remain un-answered. The heroic men and women who have given their lives for us, and whom the War's anniversary bids us remember with affection and the highest tribute of honour and gratitude, call us to keep faith with them and to finish their work. They are the foundation stones of the new Canada, the

new Empire, the recreated world.

As Sir Robert Borden, the spokesman of the Imperial Conference, assured His Majesty King George last week of the loyalty and unswerving purpose of the Over-seas Dominions to the Cause for which we are fighting, so the beginning of another year of war demands of us a rededication of ourselves to the task of the hour and also to such a readjustment of the spirit of the individual and of the nation as will enable us to be true builders for the day of peace, worthy to greet the war-scarred veterans when they return and to preserve the traditions for which those heroes who will not come back have given their precious

Although the times are stormy and the skies overcast we must press forward with grim determination to win, for the Cause is the highest and we are privileged to defend it with confidence and reasonable prospect of success.

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