

### TAKE CARE OF THE CHILD

What sustained coordinated effort is to be throughout the Dominion to ascertain the abilities and aptitudes of the child, to fit for occupation before leaving school? What organization exists to which the School can hand the child in the confident belief that a suitable opening, safeguarded against exploitation can be found for the boy or girl? What knowledge do parents secure as to conditions of trades and occupations, rates of pay, training necessary to give the child a fair start in the Industrial World?

The only National organization which can grapple with these manifold complex problems by coordinating the energies and efforts of Federal, Provincial and Municipal Authorities, Employers and Workers, is a Federal Labour Bureau system, non political in character, staffed by efficient officials regarding their work as a life long vocation. The support already given from Prince Rupert to Halifax, by Provincial Premiers, Municipalities, Business, National and Labour organisations is a sufficiently strong proof of the awakening of the public responsibility and consciousness. The failure of the Minister of Labour to make good the official pledge of immediate legislation given to the Opposition at Parliament Building on May 18th 1914, is an indication of how far the Government is isolated from the real sentiment and crying necessities of the Nation.

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