

self-sacrifice that has been given us by Father Lacombe in his more than sixty years of work among the Indians of Western Canada should not be lost, for he would be stony-hearted indeed who would not be softened and humanized by such an example, which must bring even to the irreligious a feeling of profound respect for the faith which inspired and sustained this good man.

It is fortunate, therefore, that Miss Hughes who is so well fitted in every way and especially by her intimate knowledge of the country in which Father Lacombe has laboured so long and with the conditions surrounding him, should have undertaken a record of his life, with a reverent love of her subject to guide her pen; and I regard it as a very great honour that she has asked me to write a Preface for her book.

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