

ANNOUNCEMENT

OF THE CANADIAN PEACE AND ARBITRATION SOCIETY

The arguments in favour of peace attract little attention when peace prevails, are likely to be deemed unpatriotic amid rumours of war, and at all times are regarded as weak and unsatisfactory by many who see in them only a negative proposition.

Nevertheless peace principles stand for a positive system of thought, of political economy, of statesmanship, creative of conditions conducive to the highest development of human happiness.

The work of this Society is to co-operate with other Peace Societies throughout the world, in showing—

1. That peace promotes prosperity and advancement.
2. That the peace of the world is in the hands of the people.
3. That the world's progress towards international peace has brought us within sight of an international tribunal whereby international differences may be adjusted by an International Court of Justice.
4. That the present is a fitting occasion for directing the eyes of the world to the condition of Canada consequent on an unbroken century of peace.

The Canadian Peace and Arbitration Society therefore submits to the Canadian public the following petition for the signatures of all who favour the Society's aims.

Such public commemoration of the happy conditions that have thus prevailed between Canada and the United States, with the resultant benefits to the two countries, will, it is hoped, also serve as an object lesson to the world as to the influence of peace upon human progress, and accelerate the arrival of the time when international differences may be settled not by the arbitrament of the sword, but by appeals to International Courts of Justice.

The Society desires that every Canadian may have an opportunity of signing this petition, and to that end hopes to be able to arrange for its general distribution throughout the country. But as the cost of this work will necessarily be very considerable, it would appeal to those who sympathize with the movement to send money contributions to the Treasurer, Wm. Greenwood Brown, 24 King St. West, or to the Secretary, Dr. C. S. Eby, at headquarters, 88 College Street, Toronto, Ont.

Signed on behalf of the Society.

WILLIAM MULOCK,
President.
C. S. EBY,
Secretary.

Toronto, 10th Sept., 1909.

A WORD TO SIGNERS OF THIS PETITION.

It is particularly desirable that there should be a large number of individual signatures. You are earnestly requested, not merely to sign yourself, but to obtain as many signatures as you can, and to place petition blanks wherever each one will form the nucleus of new circles of signers and distributors.

But in churches, clubs and organizations of any kind, meetings, conferences, etc., a vote in behalf of signing may be taken, and only the Clergyman, the President or Chairman and the Secretary will need to sign their own names and the name of the body, and state the number of persons who have voted to sign.

When a petition form is filled sheets of foolscap paper may be attached and the blank extended indefinitely for more signatures.

When a petition blank is signed and ready to be sent back, please state below the number of signatures, and by whom they were collected.

It is desired to present this petition to the Government as soon as possible. Therefore make a quick, short campaign for names, and send the petitions when signed to the Secretary, 88 College St., Toronto, Ont.

The signing of the petition involves no financial or other responsibilities. It will, however, give the opportunity to every one to make a contribution towards expenses and the work of the Canadian Peace and Arbitration Society, which, with Peace Societies in other lands, is carrying on a campaign to do away with war and bring "Peace on earth."

The contribution of one dollar or more entitles the signer to become a member of the Society and fellow-worker if he so desires.

Write the Secretary for information desired.