

restored to all that she lost and more; until France has been given boundaries that can be protected against the menace of invasion; until the right of the little nations of Europe to live has been unquestionably established and until Prussianism has been completely crushed. To accomplish these things will require enormous sacrifice. Lord Kitchener says the war can only be ended by trained men, "Men, more men, and yet more men."

The issue today depends upon Britain and the British Empire. We alone, have the reserves that permit of the creation of the preponderating army. The Germans before the war made many predictions. In respect of France and Russia, they were not far astray, but they wholly underestimated the power of the British Empire. The overseas dominions which were contemptuously referred to as a negligible quantity, will probably furnish 300,000 men or more before the end of the war and a large proportion of these will consist of the contingents from Canada.

It is the duty of the Canadian government to arm, train, equip and maintain its expeditionary force. The money for this purpose is raised by taxation equally distributed on the people of Canada. The task of providing for the wives and children of the men who go to the front however has been entirely assured by the generous public, on the ground that he who cannot fight should pay.