

May Heaven give us business men imbued with one hundredth part of the patriotic 'selfishness' of the British traders, and ready to do for Canada what the 'shopkeepers' of London are always prepared to do for their country!

What remains to be done

A precious time has been lost, rare opportunities were missed; yet it is not too late to do something. In all likelihood, the war will last long. If we have failed to do our duty at the start, let us prepare to amend matters in the near future. To counteract the sinister influence of the politician who thinks of nothing but party interests, — and party funds gathered under the shelter of patriotism and devotion to the Empire, — let all true Canadians take the matter in their own hands and show themselves as truly patriotic, active and practical as the British or French have shown themselves.

Of course, the millions lost to Canada by our own neglect cannot be recovered: as was well said by Mr. Donald, we cannot expect the British trader to break his word to the American manufacturer just to save us from the consequences of our own stupid inactivity. But many good business operations can yet be carried out in England, France and Russia, to the mutual advantage of Canada and the allied nations. Canadian commercial agents should be sent at once to those countries with the object of securing a multitude of orders which, instead of going to neutrals, would bring profit to our labour, trade and industry.

Transportation rates

A third point calls for the immediate attention of all Canadians who are willing to help *effectively* the allied nations and keep up the economic life of our own country; and that is, the control of our sea-going trade, of foodstuffs especially.

On that point again, the Englishman has shown himself wider awake than our own politicians and traders to the exigencies of the situation. Mr. Donald has called the attention of