

the examples of the great men whom we share in common to realize more fully what is the depth and breadth of our common heritage and our common responsibility in the history of the world.

"I earnestly commend to you and to the larger public outside the opportunity which this centenary so appropriately provides of commemorating not merely by statues and by other outward memorials—valuable and important as they are—but by the persistent teaching of the essential unity of our British race, the greatest security which history has yet afforded to any two sovereign communities to contribute their share to the permanent pacification of the world."

The British Committee has purchased for £10,000 Sulgrave Manor, one of the ancestral homes of the Washington family, and is arranging to convert it, with 10 acres of ground surrounding, into a museum and national park. Over the entrance to this manor house is the coat of arms, consisting of three stars and two stripes, which became the inspiration for the national flag of the Republic. This house was erected by Lawrence Washington, an ancestor of George Washington in the 16th century, the land having been given to him by Henry VIII. It has now been vested in a Committee of which the American Ambassador in London is Chairman, to be held in trust for all time.

APPROPRIATION BY THE DOMINION GOVERNMENT

In answer to a question put by Mr. W. G. Weichel, Member of Parliament for North Waterloo, Ont, as to whether it were the intention of the Government to grant assistance to the Canadian Peace Centenary Association, the Prime Minister made the following statement:—

"On June 5, 1913, a somewhat similar question to that now asked by my hon. friend (Mr. Weichel) was asked by the hon. member for Welland (Mr. German), who has taken a worthy interest in this important subject. The Canadian Peace Centenary Association had then been in existence for upwards of a year, under the presidency of Sir Edmund Walker, of Toronto, and had done valuable work of a preparatory nature. I find on that date I said in part:

"While the Canadian Peace Centenary Association is an unofficial body, the Government strongly sympathizes with and approves of its object and purpose of promoting