

advent be hastened by national cowardice or submission. Britain has ever been in the van of progress, liberty and enlightenment. Her sons have been, and still are, the pioneers of civilization, and the Greater Britain of to-day has reason to rejoice with exceeding joy in the traditions of the Motherland. Whether we are Canadians, Australians, New Zealanders, Newfoundlanders or denizens of any other section of the vast domains of King Edward VII, we are all Britons, compatriots of Milton, Shakespeare, Wellington and Nelson, blood brothers of Roberts and Wauchope, Tennyson and Kipling, with common ancestry, common aims and mutual interests. Let it be for the present generation to prove themselves worthy of their noble heritage, so that, despite our splendid isolation, despite the world's opposition and the envies and jealousies of the nations, the grand old flag will still continue to float proudly to the breeze, and when life's volume is closing, we may not have to look back with regret on the national