

without any definite prospect of employment. With a general and complete realisation of this obligation on the part of Canadian employers, the re-establishment problem solves itself.

But the returned soldier also has grave responsibilities resting upon him. He went "over there" as a sacred duty. He did not offer his body and soul for sale for a paltry dollar-and-ten a day and the prospect of a pension if disabled. He now represents all that is finest and best and noblest in our national life. It is for the rest of us to endeavour to live up to his standard in the future. We look to him for example and guidance. He has wandered through the valley of the shadow of death and has unconsciously imbibed wisdom, tolerance and higher aims from the very source of the fountain of life. Canada feels, that in this period of widespread social stress and turmoil she may safely depend upon her "boys" to exert a steadying influence on the more unstable and less responsible elements in her population and, that she may confidently anticipate their loyal and public-spirited assistance in the process of rearing—perhaps all too slowly and laboriously for many of us—a democracy for which no citizen need blush. The Canadian soldier created a high standard for himself overseas. In spite of the unwarranted apprehensions of the croaking pessimist, Canada believes, that he will live up to—and even beyond—this standard, in his civil capacity.