

always exaggerated. It implies an attitude of antagonism to the other man, looks upon the other man as a possible usurper and plunderer who has assiduously to be kept at arm's length. A society which is composed of people who are all standing for their rights is not a commonwealth but a mob. It is true that there are rights, and there are times when rights must be jealously guarded; but no man ever knows what his rights really are until he has an equally vivid and lively sense of his duties. The foundation of a commonwealth is a common will to serve. That is the basis of unity and the mainspring of co-operation.

SEEK THE WELFARE OF ALL.

And what is true of the individual is true of groups, of classes and of nations. Think, for a moment what England would be if every class of people within it ceased to think of their class interests and rights, and acquired the will to serve. Think what the world might become if nations abandoned the policy of self-interest and realised the truth that the welfare of one was the welfare of the whole, and bound themselves together in a confederation of mutual service. This is the Christian law for the individual and for the nation, *the will to serve*. And this is the seed which you can drop into the young, fresh minds with which you have to do, and the measure in which you do it