starvation. Of these, about 1,000,000 can be reached by those who are distributing food. Of the 1,000,000 destitute who are thus accessible, it least 400,000 are children without fathers, and many of them without mothers. These children will need support for many years before they are able to maintain themselves.

Last year the Sunday Schools of Canada gave well over \$100,000 to help these sufferers. It is safe to say that the Schools will not, this year, fall short of last year's giving, but will far exceed that sum. It would be a fine thing if the Schools this year would go over the top by giving at least \$200,000.

The offering, it has been said, has been set for the 19th of next January. But this need not prevent any School from making its offering on our own Christmas Sunday, if that seems a better time. And, of course, it will not hinder the children and the boys and girls to save a whole lot of their spending money during the holidays, so that they may have a bumper offering to make when the time for helping these starving millions comes.

## New Year's Day Rallies

It has been the practice, in several of our Canadian civies, to hold Sunday School rallies at some central point. There are many advantages to be gained by such gatherings. They promote a spirit of comradeship amongst the teachers and scholars of the schools taking part in them. They afford an opportunity for the members of each School to become acquainted with the work of all the others. If some simple competition is arranged, a spirit of healthy rivalry may be stirred up.

The success of New Year's rallies, like that of all other similar gatherings, depends upon their being carefully and systematically planned for. No detail of the meeting is too small for the attention of those in charge.

The first of December is none too soon to begin the preparation for a New Year's rally. It will take all the time between now and the first of January to get the matters well before the Sunday Schools and rouse the enthusiasm so essential to success, and to arrange the programme of speaking, singing, etc. We shall hope to hear of many rousing New Year's ralliss when the time comes.

## "Never Again!"

Such a war as that now raging, must happen—Never Again; that is the deep-seated resolve in the hearts of those people who are fighting that righteousness and justice and human freedom may not perish from the earth. This fair earth, made to be the abode of free peoples, working out their destiny according to the will of God, must not and will not be brought under the head of any tyrannical and cruel autocrat like the Kaiser of Germany.

But, in order to prevent another war, it is not sufficient that Germany be defeated, as she will be, please God, sooner than many have dared to hope. The spirit that made it possible for any nation ruthlessly to drench Europe with blood, to gratify a greedy and selfish ambition, must be banished from the world. In the interests of the world's peace and progress, it must be made certain that no other country shall, in the future, grasp after the prize of a universal dominion, the dream of which has led Germany to plunge the world into the horrors of this awful War.

The only sure guarantee of a lasting world peace is the bringing of the nations under the sway of the gospel of Jesus Christ. Let all the nations be thoroughly Christianized, and the war will be unknown.

Here lies at once the opportunity and the responsibility of those specially entrusted with the religious education of the young,—of parents in the house and teachers in the Sunday School. A generation instructed and trained in matters of religion with as much earnestness and intelligence as are given to regular education, would not tolerate war. For the religion of Jesus Christ includes the brotherhood of mankind. And brothers do not fly at one another's

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