

those who are seeking to further "~~new~~ means of destruction" will not be eager to promote means, however slight, of "delivering man from the scourges which beset him." Yet it is precisely because this movement has in it the possibility of disclosing such a means, because it is in accord with that law which wrestles against blood and death, and which works for peace and health and deliverance, that it is deserving the highest efforts of the noblest minds, and should know no limitations of party, race, creed or nationality.

We, on this continent have worked out an achievement, unparalleled hitherto in the history of the world. ^{we hold in common} An international frontier approaching 4,000 miles in length, along the whole of which on land,

or lake, or river scarcely an instrument of war is stationed, and ^{placed on} sentry ^{during the years} ~~keeps the~~ guard. From 1812 to 1814 this frontier was

a reflection upon civilization itself; ^{the scene of} emmity and hate between men of the same origin and blood, ^{yet} participators in one of the great mortal conflicts of the world; to-day, the same frontier

is the crowning glory of this continent, for ~~with the interlude~~ ^{the peaceful interlude} of 100 years of peace it marks with the absence of munitions of war, and the interlude of a century of peace, it marks the triumph of Reason over Force, and the adjustment of differences

in international affairs.] [It cannot be too often repeated that in

that little agreement following the conclusion of the war whereby ^{- the Rush-Bagot agreement of 1818} the naval force to be maintained by each Government on the Great Lakes and the St. Lawrence were limited to

^{four} ~~the~~ vessels of 100 tons burden, ^{and armed with} ~~carrying~~ not more than one 18 pound ^{cannon}

each, was found, to use the words of Dr. Eliot of Harvard, "A means of escape from competitive arming" - "competitive arming" which above all else is the self-imposed scourge under which the peoples of Europe and to some degree the peoples of the world, labour to-day.