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there will be brought about an alliance of some kind between Great Britain and the United States, to justify some prominent man keeping his finger on the pulse of the committees to see that it is not forgotten? No one can tell what this day twenty years hence may bring forth nor how many of the smaller nations may join in the Anglo Saxon Peace Holiday.

Canada has been prolific of Imperial ideas; The Daughters of the Empire; Empire Day; South African Graves Association; The Preferential Tarriff, all of which make for unity, here is a chance to bring out another; let us strike while the iron is hot.

The United States recognizes its weakness with relation to the Phillipine Islands and is no doubt thankful that Japan is ally. We recognize our weakness in some other quarter and would be very thankful if the United States threw her immense wealth and power into the scale for Peace. Out of this day may grow a relocation of the fleets of Great Britain and the United States, the former taking care of the Atlantic and the Monroe Doctrine and the latter the Pacific With headquarters at Honolulu and in which wight be included in some way the Pacific fleet units of Ganada and those of Australia and New Zealand.

It seems to me that great possibilities may come from this plan for an Annual Anglo Saxon Holiday and I hope you will be glad to associate your name with it. We have a chance now to perpetuate this coming period of celebration which if let pass may never return. Big men like yourself of national reputation must stand back of it.

It does not seem to me that any aliens within our gates could object to such a day as it is not directed against their home country but as a means for world peace and the reduction of military expenses in Europe in which they would be personally interested.

I am in correspondence with the Anglican and Presbyterian Churches seeking their assistance. Perhaps they may give it. Archbishop Hamilton of Ottawa expressed great interest. Yould you see him.?

There is no time to lose as much correspondence has to be carried on with far distant lands. There should be some Organization in every Dominion which could take up new ideas, don't you think so?

Hoping to hear from you further, I am,

Yery sincerely yours,

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