

tary offering. What richer gift could you place on the altar of our Empire's cause? What greater love hath any man than that he lay down his life, if need be, in the defence of his King, his country and his home.

I congratulate the parents, the wives and sisters who are giving up their sons, husbands and brothers in obedience to this call to our Empire's defence. Large contributions may be made, but yours is the most precious offering, a much greater sacrifice.

I congratulate the whole people of Canada for their united response in so many ways, that those who are going to do battle for our country's honor and freedom may be cared for, and those who are their dependents may know nothing of want. It is evidence of the justice of our country's cause—evidence that there is but one mind and heart-beat regarding our duty.

My comrades, yours is a great privilege. You have already won the esteem and affection of every worthy citizen of Canada and the Empire. It is your opportunity to write deep your names in history, and to win your way to the hearts of all mankind, who value honor and freedom far above life itself. Already the sons of Canada have proven on other battlefields that they know how to live nobly, fight fairly and die fearlessly in defence of our King, our country, our homes. I know that you, too, when the time comes, will give a good account of yourselves, will prove yourselves not only valiant soldiers, but worthy examples of noblest manhood.

Remember that the courage that inspires you is not the courage of stupidity, fanaticism or sel-