

Me Shall Not Sleep

"In Flanders fields
the poppies blow
Between the Crosses,
row on row,
That mark our place;
and in the sky
The larks still bravely
singing fly,
Scarce heard amidst
the guns below.

Me are the dead.
Short days ago we lived,
left dawn,
saw sunset glow,
Moved and were loved,
and now we lie
In Hlanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe,
To you from falling hands we throw the Torchbe yours to hold it high;
If ye break faith with us who die.
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow In Flanders fields."

In behalf of the brave men who have enlisted in the fight of right against might we reprint the above lines by Col.McCrae.

As an inspiration to war giving and war sacrifice, it strikes a major note. There is no war appeal to which it is not applicable.

This beautiful lyric of the war was written by Lieutenant Colonel Dr. John McCrae of Montreal, Canada, while the second battle of Ypres was in progress.

The author's body now lies buried in Flanders fields.

Is it conceivable that we shall "break faith" with those "who die" for us?

From a painting by Philip Lyford