O, for a Man! to stand for us within our Council Hall,

With good red blood in heart and veins—and answer England's call!

To cut the Party questions from This Question all should feel,

And sever Truth from Falsehood with the sweep of polished steel:

Nor prate of "Finished work at Home," as though our goal were won!

(Thus should be keep our house, nor leave the wider work undone.)

No Opportunist! but a Man! to give—and Now—Today!

To meet the danger as it comes, and hold the Ocean Way!

Pour out the millions—Not a Gift—part Payment that we Owe!

Then, build the true Canadian fleet with healthy growth and slow.

Yea! build the linked navies up—in concert—One to be!

To hold that Vital Cord of Life—the Empire of the Sea!

There is no Flag in all the world save Britain's bloodred Cross

That guards pure Justice, Honour, Truth; and keeps the Weak from Loss.