

decease, and this in answer to a rational and deep seated sentiment of the public.

As a secondary object the Association has since its inception in 1909 also urged the dignified upkeep of existing—though much neglected—military cemeteries of the past, and the providing of further National Military Cemeteries for the future; a thing which since the beginning of the war just happily ended has become most imperative. Furthermore this Association has urged the keeping of the most exact records of the Naval and Military life—facts of those buried in Canada, as well as of the locations of their resting places.

In order to promote these ideals, the "Last Post" Association has since 1909, maintained its own "Gardens of Sleep" at its own expense in the Cote des Neiges and Mount Royal Cemeteries on the slopes of Mount Royal in Montreal and has kept the closest records of those lying buried there. The Association has also a special Charter for the Province of Quebec, whereby it is in the position of acting as "next of kin" to those sailors or soldiers who are friendless at death, and would otherwise become "a public charge" thereby having been able to save many an "absent one" from the Homeland, from abandonment in the last extremity.

The "Last Post" Fund claims to be the first Association of the kind in the Empire which has ever acted for cases in such circumstances.

The success has been such, that others by special request—not indigent, in any sense of the meaning—have been buried in the "Last Post" plots. Finally, during the last years of the war, it being recognized that there were no other plots for soldiers who died after return from the war, though still on the active roll at time of decease, the Association yielding to the desire of the friends of the departed to have their heroes lie