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Mr. Mackenzie King is a graduate in Arts and Law of the University of Toronto. From 1896 to 1900 he pursued post graduate studies in the United States, first as Fellow in Political Economy at the University of Chicago, and later as Fellow at Harvard, from which University he received the degree of Master of Arts and Doctor of Philosophy, and was awarded a Fellowship to travel abroad. Later he was appointed Instructor in Political Economy on the Harvard staff, but resigned this position to organize in Canada a Department of Labour, as a new department of the Canadian Government. For eight years he held the position of Deputy Minister of Labour for Canada, a position corresponding to that of Commissioner of Labour in the United States. During that time he established and was editor of the Dominion Labour Gazette, was Registrar of Boards of Conciliation and arbitration, and the author of numerous reports on labor problems. As the result of investigations personally conducted by him, the sweating system was abolished in Government contracts, and a "Fair wages" policy introduced; laws for the protection of labor against false representations leading to the importation of strike breakers, and unwarranted immigration placed on the statutes, the laws respecting the employment of women and children in textile factories modified, conditions of operatives in the telephone exchanges improved and the opium traffic in Canada abolished. During several years Mr. King acted as a conciliator in strikes in the Dominion, the number exceeding forty and embracing the most serious disputes in Canada at the time. Experience gained in this way led to the provisions of the Industrial Disputes Investigation Act, of which Mr. King is the author, and ~~which~~ Act has reduced the number of strikes in mines, transportation companies

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