

the funds of the Association and abide by the regulations governing the burial plots; thus the Fund renders a public service of which ample evidence of appreciation has already been given.

It will be noted in the last paragraph of the primary object, that it is desired to place this national obligation where it rightly belongs—with the **Government**—but it has been very truthfully said by someone, that "Governments and Corporations, have no "soul," and realizing the veracity of that remark from experience, it is desired to remove the stigma and ingratitude of "charity" by placing the financial responsibility there—where it rightly belongs—while retaining a measure of executive supervision and control.

Citizens, if you are worthy of that appellation, stop for a few moments and give this matter your consideration and support, consider the inconsistency of our profession of gratitude to those of our fellow men who through loss of life, limb and health, have made the nation what it is.

Next to the Creator of the Universe—whose incarnation is reflected in the sacrifice of humanity on the altar of war—we owe all that is of any value or importance in this world to those who have participated on the battlefield in the world's purification, and yet should death overtake one of these in the hour of adversity, we abandon them, we don't know them, we cast them aside, we relegate them to an unknown pauper's grave, we deny them six feet of the soil they proffered their lives in defence of—and we call ourselves a **Christian nation**.

Where is the consistency of our national ethics? where is the national sentiment we boast of? Where is the national gratitude? Are we justified, as an idealistic nation? Is there one logical argument in support of such ingratitude? We most emphatically say NO, and nothing short of national financial parsimony is the cause, or else our philosophies and theories of national grandeur are an empty hypocritical farce.

Then, citizen, where do we stand to-day on this subject? It is for you to study the subsequent explanatory articles, and by your expression of opinion, your influence