CANADA'S MANHOOD.

It shines more brightly as it comes through each hotter furnace.

From most of Canada's best and loyal homes that had boys to go (by best is not meant largest or richest, but best in true manhood and womanhood, whether mansion or shack) from most such homes have gone forth their choicest, who, in time of greatest strain have stood the supreme test, and in ever growing numbers are making the supreme sacrifice.

May their unselfish example inspire all to nobler living and to higher ideals of life, in honor, purity, truth, goodness and godliness. This is the only tribute to their memory worthy of the name. To be otherwise is to mock them with hollow flattery and to be unworthy to claim with them nationhood or kin.

May God help, in their soreness and loneliness, the hearts and homes bereaved; and may time, the great healer, make that soreness less hard to bear; and may the hope of a glad reunion which multitudes of homes so confidently and fondly cherish, cheer those left behind as they take up their lonely, humble, daily tasks; and may these tasks be performed ever more faithfully, so that unashamed they may meet and greet, under happier conditions, their loved ones who have been "faithful unto death."

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