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EDITORIAL

WITH SPRING AT HAND

(By Lion Bob Little)

"Make me over Mother April
When the sap begins to stir."

So wrote Bliss Carman when the first shrill notes of the frogs and hylas issued forth from the ponds and marshes, and the harsh tones of the purple grackles sounded like the rusty doors of winter creaking as they opened to admit the spring. Spring is here. On the hillsides of the maple sugar bush the pink, blue and white faces of hypaticas are lifted to the warmth of the April sun. Almost overnight this Canada of ours will become a land of green, growing things, and we, the fortunate dwellers thereon, shall know the April excitement of a new beginning.

But what of the picture over the sea. Czecho-Slovakia, Poland, Finland, each in turn has felt the violent upheaval and wanton destruction that a savage war machine inflicts on a country unable to withstand a stronger foe. And now those trim, tidy, prosperous towns and cities situated on the picturesque Fjords of Norway and Sweden have felt war's shadow blackout their lights and bring fear to the hearts of its people. To those sufferers the picture must be dark, and the future full of dread.

While of course the war is always in the background of our thoughts, here in Canada it has as yet touched us lightly. We are all certain that in the end there will be the triumph of right over wrong, and that the generations to come, if not we, will know an enduring peace in the world. But the time may be long, and we may have need of the faith shown by the following lines written by a young Australian soldier who died at Gallipoli in 1915:

"Ye that have faith to look with fearless eyes
Beyond the darkness of a world at strife,
And know that out of death and night shall rise
The dawn of ampler life.

Rejoice, whatever anguish rend the heart,
That God has given you a priceless dower,
To live in these great times and have your part
In Freedom's crowning hour.

That ye may tell your sons who see the light
High in the heavens — their heritage to take—
"I saw the Powers of Darkness put to flight,
I saw the morning break."

SERVICE

By Lion Rev. W. F. Wrixon

Have you ever stopped to consider how much we owe to the Christian virtue of service? How much happier life has been made for many people because of the generous service of those who have given liberally and cheerfully.

All along the road, every day and every hour, are those who touch the lives of others, and enrich them, and lighten their burdens because they have caught something of the spirit of service. The lame, the blind, the deaf, the dumb and those handicapped through no fault of their own, have become new creatures because of the sacrificial service of others.

No one dare say that the Christian Church has failed so long as the world is filled with the true spirit of service. For where do service clubs find their root but in the teaching of the Founder of the Christian Church who said, "I came not to be ministered unto, but to minister."

No one can say that he is really living who is not engaged in some form of Christian social service, however small his contribution. For life consisteth not in the abundance of the material things we possess, or hope to possess, but in the abundance of the service we render to the community in which we live. And the service must be something more than an act of duty, or because of the sense of responsibility. What we do of necessity, because we cannot find a way out, seems to be deprived of the true spirit of service and becomes a dole. I wonder how much of our charitable work can be said to be on the dole. By such giving we may have met some felt responsibilities, but without the golden touch of love, of sympathy, or of personal interest, our service may remain mere giving. Such service seems to stand naked to the blasts of our own pettiness or selfishness.

True service does not count the cost, for it is forgetful of self in its enthusiasm for the cause to which it gives its time, talent and money. Although true service does not look for any returns, it does bring high dividends in happy lives, and a deep sense of the privilege of sharing in such a service.

Over the doorways of the Cathedral of Milan, there are three inscriptions spanning the beautiful arches. Over one is carved a beautiful wreath of roses, and underneath is the legend, "All that which pleases is but for a moment." Over the other is sculptured a cross, and the words, "All that which troubles us is but for a moment." But underneath the great centre arch is the inscription, "That only is important which is eternal." Among the eternal things is the giving of self in service in the community in which we live, giving ourselves to those less fortunate than ourselves, giving to those who need the help we are capable of giving.

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Weight	Boneless	
	Casing OFF	Casing ON
14 lb.	3 1/2 hrs.	3 1/2 hrs.
12 lb.	3 hrs.	3 hrs.
9 lb.	2 3/4 hrs.	3 hrs.
6 lb.	2 1/4 hrs.	2 1/2 hrs.
4 lb.	2 hrs.	2 1/4 hrs.
3 lb.	1 3/4 hrs.	2 1/4 hrs.
2 lb.	1 1/4 hrs.	1 3/4 hrs.

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