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*When crowds have come, as the result of * * * changes of belief, to acquire a profound antipathy for the images evoked by certain words, the first duty of the true statesman is to change the words.—Gustave Le Bon.*

The work of the consulate and the empire consisted more particularly in the clothing with new words of the greater part of the institutions of the past—De Tocqueville.



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FOREWORD

Herewith is presented a peace plan

Which is not politically controversial:

Which requires no international agreements, calls for no new tribunals or other machinery of operation and will involve no change in present governmental practices:

Which is not offered as a substitute for such proposed solutions of the war problem as arbitration, disarmament, etc., but as an aid toward the development of a public sentiment for such measures:

Which does not suggest the immediate abolition of war, an obvious impossibility until public sentiment shall demand its abolition, but which provides for the automatic *direction and acceleration of public thought* toward the ideal of peace instead of toward the ideal of war:

Which proposes to accomplish these ends by the utilization of known principles in psychology.