

the traditional attitude of the public toward the "jail bird", but this is changing. Sometimes, indeed, the public goes too far, and we are troubled with the foolish and well-intentioned sentimentalist. Neither sentimentality nor vindictiveness will solve the problem. Here are the facts. What is the common sense and scientific thing to do in the light of the facts? We have the criminal as he is. What are we going to do with him, so that Canada may be permanently protected by turning him from a liability and a menace into an asset, so far as he has it in him to be changed? Is not this well worth attempting?

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Lord, when the hour comes and Thou shalt say,
"Yield now the tools with which my work was wrought;
By the young shepherds shall my lambs be sought
In the far wildernesses where they stray.
Close thou the book; another voice shall pray
In the cold hour of dawn." When I have brought,
And laid before Thy feet that which is naught,
Yet is my all of service; in that day.

Knowing my weariness, O Master, then,
Grant me to lie untroubled, still and deep,
Folded in silence broken by no breath
Of heavenly music, nor the griefs of men;
Yea, till I wake as children wake from sleep,
Let not Thy glory light that house of death.