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*It is his will that he look forth
Across the land he won,
The granite of the ancient North,
Great spaces washed with sun.
There shall he patient make his seat
(As when the death he dared),
And there await a people's feet
In the paths which he prepared.*

*There till the vision he foresaw
Splendid and whole arise,
And unimagined empires draw
To council 'neath his skies,
The immense and brooding spirit still
Shall quicken and control;
Living, he was the land,
And dead, his soul shall be her soul.*

RUDYARD KIPLING'S "THE BURIAL."

**To Zoe and Jimmy and the rest of the
Oncoming Generation.**

Appendix.

From the "Rand Daily Mail," July 10, 1926:—

COMMISSIONER LAMB

His Impressions of the South African Race Problem

London, Friday.

In an article in the "Morning Post," in which he gives his impressions of his Empire tour, Commissioner Lamb, of the Salvation Army, urges that the money spent lavishly and unproductively on the "dole" should be invested in a big scheme of Imperial migration. Referring to the immigration problem in South Africa and Rhodesia, Commissioner Lamb says it is inseparable from the colour and race questions.

He dwells on the increase of the native races, and says one is moved to wonder if the time is coming when the white population will be unendurably outnumbered in the central districts and will move little by little until it is found only in the districts close to, say, Walfish Bay, Capetown, Port Elizabeth, East London and Durban.

Members of the Salvation Army, however, do not believe that there is any reason why these gloomy forebodings should ever be realised, and are of opinion that the problem of the whites in South Africa can be solved by numbers.—(Reuter.)

Sir L. C. MONEY, in "The Peril of the White," quoting freely the Union Census (1921) Director, says: "The whites must welcome, and indeed invite and attract immigrants from Europe or go under. Failing this, South Africa must for ever abandon the prospect of maintaining a white civilisation except as a proportionately diminishing minority, and in face of

an increasing and at last overwhelming majority. It may then be forced to abandon its domination, or even to abandon the country."

FUTURE OF AUSTRALIA

Mr. Bruce's Warning

From "The Weekly Times," September 2, 1926, just to hand. (While not bearing directly on South African problems, Mr. Bruce's statement on Australia's need for immigration could not well be couched in more forceful terms, terms which one feels are equally applicable to South Africa, and also one would like to see her situation tackled by her statesmen with the same determination.)

Our Sydney Correspondent telegraphs:—

Mr. Bruce, addressing the Constitutional Club at Brisbane, said that other nations were vitally interested in watching how the Commonwealth intended to develop and utilise its vast resources, and that some felt that if Australians could not do the job properly they would be justified in coming and doing it. The question was, how long could Australia hold back the flood? Unless Australia was prepared to move forward at a pace never previously contemplated, they would be faced with a situation which would make all good Australians shudder to contemplate it. He was not an alarmist, but was merely stating facts. He was not leading a Government of negation, but one determined to attempt to solve the country's problems. Even if their methods might be considered wrong, anybody who was expecting them to slow up and sit back was doomed to disappointment.