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FOREWORD.

In the latter half of 1917 and the early months of 1918 an extensive enquiry was undertaken by the Ministry of Labour at my request in order to ascertain the present conditions of Juvenile Employment and the probable conditions after the war. About 3,000 reports were received, either from investigators who visited the firms in person or directly from employers.

The following Report, which is based on this material, was written, at my suggestion, by a known authority on matters affecting juvenile employment, and I desire to express my thanks for the long labour he has devoted to the task and my sincere appreciation of his able and forceful Report.

The proposals which are made will need careful examination. They are published because of the need for immediate and widespread discussion of the many questions involved and in order that on the basis of a public opinion thus created a policy may be framed.

It is hoped that the statements of fact contained in the Report will be of great and immediate value, particularly to members of Juvenile Advisory Committees, Choice of Employment Committees, and the various voluntary organisations interested in the welfare of juvenile workers. The statements of opinion will serve to stimulate thought on a series of problems of vital importance to the future well-being of the nation.

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