

From Edw. P. Cheyney. "Modern English Reform" (1931) (Lowell Lectures)

p. 192 From a declaration of Minister Lloyd George 1909.

"This is a war budget. It is for raising money to wage implacable warfare against poverty or squalidness. I cannot help hoping and believing that before this generation has passed away we shall have advanced a great step towards that good time when poverty and wretchedness and human degradation which always follow in its camp will be as remote to the people of this country as the wolves which once infested its forests".

[This was spoken 1909; and now 1943 we hear again the same promises and assurances].

"Social legislation has been largely a response to pressure from outside of Parliament and party organizations, and whatever party was in power when the pressure became sufficiently strong has performed the work of placing it upon the statute books." (Cheyney. p. 195)