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Peace Leaflets
A Starting point for Dialogue

THE MOST NUMEROUS MOVEMENT IN THE WORLD

(Part from a letter to an English Peace friend)

Hundred years ago the wellknown Austrian poet Peter Rosegger ¹⁾ travelled from the province of Styria to Vienna – though in bad health condition – to make a speech in front of "FRIENDS OF PEACE." And what did he say there:

"IF ALL FRIENDS OF PEACE WERE TO JOIN US, WE WOULD BE THE MOST NUMEROUS AND GREATEST MOVEMENT IN THE WORLD."

My own question and suggestion is now: "Why not follow up on Peter Roseggers suggestion to establish a "WORLDWIDE PEACE MOVEMENT" considering the enormous possibilities of modern communication facilities?

The prospect of becoming the world's "greatest movement" is definitely realistic! Who would be as inhuman not to want to become a "Friend of Peace???"

This greatest movement could not even be ignored by the most powerful ones in the world, because they depend on voters. Unimaginable perspectives could result!

A worldwide association like that would be mighty enough to save our world into a new Millenium – worth living for sake of our children and grandchildren

I need not mention, saving our "green planet" – the only one in the sun-system – is not only a matter of preventing wars

Peace Museums all over the world could become very important e n c o u n t e r - c e n t r e s for o u r great aim!

Postscript:

Of course you may ask: What happened to Bertha von Suttner's Peace Movement? We must confess that in spite of serious warnings before 1914 the desire to go to war for Emperor, God and fatherland was stronger.

But is it like that nowadays

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- 1) Around 1890 P. Rosegger joined the Peace movement of Bertha v. Suttner and became one of her most active and successful co-workers