

A provincial government has the duty of looking after certain definite matters which concern the province alone, and which it is believed can best be managed by such a body of local men familiar with local needs. In a country of vast extent such as ours, the provinces differ very much from one another, in their position, some being on the sea and others inland; in their physical features, some being mountainous and others consisting of prairie; and in their inhabitants, some containing chiefly people whose ancestors came from the British Isles, others possessing a more mixed population, and one, Quebec, having a great majority of persons of French descent. Consequently, it is plain that with respect to many things laws must be different in different provinces in order to suit the varying conditions.

On the other hand, all matters which were thought by the founders of our constitution to concern the whole body of Canadians, or those about which it was felt more suitable laws could be made by a group of men representing the entire country, were left to be managed