

To you, as citizens of the new Province of Newfoundland, old though it is in achievement and in history, it is also important that the judgment that you make on the Federal Government should be a considered judgment. The people of all your sister provinces, the people of friendly nations, will watch with keen interest for the decision that you will make on June 27th. I ask you whether it is sheer coincidence that for fourteen years Canada had risen steadily among the nations of the world in prestige and in prosperity? Is it by chance that we have come through a great war and through the difficult period after the war to the highest level in our history? I think you will agree with me that such progress cannot be in spite of political leadership but because of it.

I am sure that in joining our Confederation you wish to make your contribution to it. I know how important that contribution will be. There is no better way in which you could show your determination that the future of this country will not betray its past, than in voting for the Party that has so effectively brought Canada so far - the Liberal Party. For it is this Party that has so consistently and successfully - in spite of **strong** opposition - set no consideration above that of the well-being and security of all our people in all our provinces.

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