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Forceful, Moderate and Sincere.

Dr. Clark has two sons at the front. He has never countenanced the Liberal attempt to divert the energies of the Government to the disadvantage of the nation's military effort. From no other man in Parliament could such a speech have come with a greater force, or better grace. Yet there was no bitterness in it. It was the more forceful in that it was moderate, while being none the less earnest and none the less eloquent.

The occasion itself was eminently proper. The House of Commons was engaged in consideration of the Prime Minister's resolution providing for a war appropriation of \$250,000,000.

A House untainted would have passed that resolution without debate.

Nobody who has followed the course of the Opposition expected that this would be done—and it was not done. **Instead the resolution was made the peg upon which to hang the usual unsightly cluster of petty criticisms based in many cases upon rumor and in others upon the fictions of Liberal newspapers.** The men who took the most active part in this sort of thing are members of that little band of Liberal blockers from the Maritime Provinces, which includes Carvell. They were E. M. Macdonald of Pictou, J. L. Hughes of Kings, P.E.I., and A. B. Copp of Westmoreland. And they afterwards round champions and defenders in Frank Oliver and George P. Graham.

“Hats Off to Dr. Clark!” Declares a Leading Liberal Paper

The day following, the Ottawa Free Press, the Liberal organ in the Capital, came out with a strenuous elaboration of the same taken by Dr. Clark. In a remarkable editorial the Free Press said:—

DR. MICHAEL CLARK'S STRIKING SPEECH

“Hats off to Dr. Michael Clark, M.P., for Red Deer, Alberta. He has, by the sounding of a clear, ringing note of statesmanship, brought honor to his constituency, to his province, to the country of his adoption, and to himself. He has done an inestimable service for Canada. His speech should be circulated broadcast throughout this land by Liberals and Conservatives alike. Hansard and the printing presses of the Government Printing Bureau have never been employed to

any other purpose than in spreading, at the present time, the declaration of principle that ought to govern every Britisher. As Dr. Michael Clark says, can people were fast losing a proper sense of proportion. **Stamped by partisan politicians, and partisan newspapers, vital essentials were being forgotten in the discussion of comparatively trivial things.**”

“It must not be imagined that it was an easy thing for Dr. Clark to do what he has done. For saying less, this paper has **been branded with treachery.** A member of Parliament of the standing