

These will multiply by natural increase and immigration, and will possess the land with a population of tens of millions of people. It is ours to learn during our day the way of unity, the way of belief in one another. This is the duty of the Conservative party, and one which in recent years has lain so lightly on our shoulders that we have departed from the traditions of the past.

It should not be necessary for a Conservative to say that by tradition, by instinct, by the will of the great majority of its adherents, the Conservative party should show no hesitancy in sustained British connection, and the assumption of manly obligations which represent our share in the great enterprise.

The party paid the price in defeat through unawaredness that the country looked for the best they could offer following the bitter and unseemly struggle between rival leaders in parliament and in the country. For some reason, those who were responsible thought the conventional ward politicians measure would do. Apparently it was not understood the country was exasperated with the exhibit of temper, prejudice and lack of imagination in all the groups and parties at Ottawa. The Conservative party did not possess inherent strength or wisdom to rise to the occasion when the ball was at their feet. God knows the Liberal party was little better. Conservatives have now to prove that they have the needed courage and resource to rebuild, and the patience to wait through the period which will elapse before they will be called to govern.

You can determine if in this indirect manner I have answered your queries one and two. The answer to the third will not be found in the first instance in organization, but in renewed character. A declaration of faith which expresses sincere conviction must precede organization. Without it,