

to acknowledge this in the presence of the young people whom I am delighted to see here in such numbers, and who have their futures before them.

I have felt that what I should like to speak to you about this afternoon is "Canada and the World of Today", or more accurately, "Some Thoughts concerning Canada and the World of Today". Now this is a very large subject. I should hardly have ventured upon such a theme had I not felt that, out of an experience in national affairs which few men in our country have been privileged to enjoy, I could speak with some degree of appreciation of the feelings of the Canadian people in their present anxieties, and of their desire to be of assistance in the solution of the vexed problems of today.] Moreover, it is hardly probable I shall again have an opportunity to speak to so many ~~of you~~ with whom my early life was closely associated, or to your ^{own} children. I am anxious that my words may carry with them some thoughts which may be worthy of your remembrance, as we pursue our way through the vast uncertainties of our times.)

Though the subject I have chosen may be a very large one, I shall deal with only one or two aspects of it. They will be the ones to which I attach most importance. It is to the younger generation, who have the future to face, that I wish especially to speak this afternoon. I shall strive to make what I say as little involved as possible.