

hearts of his fellow countrymen for so long a period of time. It is not less significant of a certain freedom from prejudice which the Canadian people enjoy at heart, and of their true catholicity of spirit.

Be the truth what it may with respect to ^{the} view Sir Wilfrid Laurier entertained on the morrow of what was perhaps the greatest of all his campaigns, there is no doubt that his opinion was shared by many in his own province who were nearest to him, and that it governed in the minds of Ernest Lapointe and his friends when neither he nor they would allow his name to be placed in nomination for the leadership of the Party at the 1919 Convention.

It was a characteristically chivalrous attitude - characteristically chivalrous of Sir Wilfrid Laurier himself who, throughout his long life, ever placed the fortunes of his Party before his own personal preferences. Characteristically chivalrous of the French-Canadian people who have never laid claim to recognition of special rights,^x above all, characteristically chivalrous of Ernest Lapointe in his effacement of self in all that, in his many years in Parliament, has pertained to the