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Let me mention one example only of this love of self-expression of the Greeks which has found a parallel with which we are all familiar in our own city in our own day. Have you ever stopped to think of what in the way of self-expression athletics meant to the young men and young women of Greece? Of what athletics in our winter sports mean to the young men and young women of Canada to-day? Physical health, physical beauty, physical prowess and achievement were regarded by the Greek, as pleasing alike to the gods and men. In our own day and in our own country we are reviving in a way this love for and admiration of freedom of expression in physical well-being and achievement. I doubt if the ancient Greeks ever had anything finer than the spectacle presented in our own Auditorium by the members of the Minto Slating Club a few weeks ago. For sheer grace and skill in movement, for discipline of body and mind, nothing finer could be imagined than what was there depicted. The Olympic games are, of course, another expression of the same kind of thing in a world, rather than a city, arena; both are essentially Grecian in character and spirit.

It seems to me that we are witnessing to-night in yet another arena, and on a scale vastly greater than that of which any of the civilizations of the past could have ever dreamed, another and finer expression of our national life,-- the interest in the affairs of government, not alone of the city

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