

with its unbounded wealth of fruit and food, so that we may be able to feed the hungry people of less favoured lands as well as those of our own. In passing on, I wish to express my satisfaction also at the appointment of the present Speaker of the Senate, he being a gentleman, not showy, but well worthy the position he holds from his industrious habits and long support of his party, and also for his education and moral character. I trust he will live to enjoy the full term of his office, and leave it a credit to his government. I wish to say a word or two also about the mover and seconder of the address in reply to the speech from the Throne. My colleague from St. John, the Hon. Mr. Ellis, I knew as a public man for at least forty years. Before he made his present speech I was aware he was well informed on all public questions affecting this Dominion, and, therefore, I make no wonder that he acquitted himself so well. He will be a great acquisition to the debating talent of this Chamber. I trust he will always be found as good a Liberal as he has been in the past. He is the description of man we want in the legislative halls of this young country, so that peace and happiness may enter the poor man's cottage as well as the rich man's mansion. We all love this country and to make it a happy home we should not speak maliciously of each other, and this proper policy can only be found, in my humble opinion, in the hearts of true Liberals. I sincerely rejoice with hon. gentlemen on the prosperity of the country and upon the way the people stood by the government at the last general election. It is quite clear that the people of this country know a good thing when they see it, for there was a general sweep from one end of this Dominion to the other, and as with a clean broom all those mischief makers that attempted to do so much harm and divide the people of our country, have been completely unhorsed and driven from power, in a manner which looks as if the hand of Providence had done it. I should like to speak upon the subject of the South African war, and other matters, but I really cannot trust myself further than to say that I think we are too boastful and prone to point our great weapons of war at other people's faces. God is a jealous God, and it is wise to remember the death

of Herod, who did not first give glory to God above all mundane power. In my opinion, our wealth and our pride to a large extent made us believe that we were not in duty bound to consider other peoples' feelings in the manner that Christian men should, and to a very large extent I, for one, am willing to accept the unfortunate position that we are in as a warning to all the present generation, that we should henceforth consider other peoples' feelings and other nations' feelings as well as our own. This disposition, in my humble opinion, will increase, and in future there will be more unity among us than in the past, for unless we are united we can never be a great people, and whilst we are bickering and holding unnecessary feelings of contempt, and, perhaps, hatred against each other, we cannot have that loyalty and love of home which is essential, and which the British Empire expects. I feel that other hon. gentlemen have as deep an interest in the country as I have, and therefore I will resume my seat and allow other hon. gentlemen to give expression to their opinions, because after all when we express our opinions to each other, we can understand each other, and I think it is necessary we should understand each other and build each other up, and be one common united people—I was going to say British family, and I think that is the correct word. If we are united and true to each other, and respect each other's feelings, I think we will prosper. I know we will prosper, because we have all the territory we want, we have all the food we want, we have all the elements required for supporting millions of people, and we should be most anxious to get them to settle in our great Dominion. It is only necessary that we should make the people of other countries understand that we have perfect freedom and happiness and security for life and property, that our laws are equal, if not better than the laws of any other nation of the world. I trust that as we are in the beginning of a new era, and are under a new king, a king who has had a vast experience under a wise and beneficent mother, that he will be a wise and good man. He has passed through that portion of his existence where allowance is made, to a large extent, for the actions of all young men and people. He is now a man