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difficulty of having to co-operate with or to contend with third parties, as well as with an official opposition. It was the first time any government had been faced with several parties on the opposition benches. We also faced, at the outset, a period of great depression. During recent years there has also been a condition of change in the world the like of which has never been known before. Subversive tendencies have made it difficult for governments anywhere and everywhere. The miracle is that, in the face of such difficulties, we have succeeded in maintaining the unity of the party and the unity of the country to the degree we have.

Canadian Unity the Chief Objective.

The reason, above all others, which accounts for our success as a party is that we have sought, above all else, the unity of our country. We have put that before us as the chief of all our objectives. The unity of the government, the unity of the party, were necessary means to that great end.

Canada, as I have repeated, is a difficult country to govern; it is difficult because it is a vast country; it is difficult also because it is a country which but very recently has come into being.