

mind and heart aglow with expectation, and looks up to the Plains of Abraham, where the fate of America was decided, where the foundation of the Empire of Great Britain, and also of the independence of the United States, was laid, he sees no inspiring monument speaking of welcome and hope, but only a building associated with all that is darkest in the life of Canada, a black, frowning gaol, and that gaol standing upon the very ground where Wolfe gave up his life. There is no more sacred spot of earth on the whole of this American continent.

Ladies, it is part of your work not to rest content until that polluting gaol has been removed from the sacred spot on which it stands, to some other and more appropriate situation.

Next year, as you are aware, is the 300th anniversary of the founding of Quebec by Champlain. It has been suggested by a committee appointed by Mr. Garneau, the Mayor of Quebec, consisting of Chief Justice Sir F. Langelier, Mr. Taché and Col. Wood, that the Champlain Ter-centenary should be celebrated by the consecration of the famous battlefields of Quebec. This suggestion has received the warm approval of Mr. Gouin, the Premier of the Province of Quebec, and of Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

The battlefield of Ste. Foy, where the French in 1760, after a desperate and bloody battle defeated the British, and whence they would have recaptured Quebec, if the British fleet had not suddenly appeared, adjoins the Plains of Abraham.

It is proposed to include the more important parts of the two battlefields in a national park. Thus, battles in which the contending races were alternately victorious, and in both of which the vanquished were entitled to equal honour, will be fittingly commemorated.

It is owing to the action of His Majesty the King in establishing the Entente Cordiale with France, and to the love which he inspires in the heart of every French, as well as of every English Canadian, that the times are so favourable to the removal from the Plains of Abraham of the buildings which now disgrace and disfigure them, and to their preservation in