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In the passing of the Honourable Newton Wesley Rowell, Canada has lost a citizen whose public services, outstanding abilities and Christian example notably enriched our national life.

of international reputation. Mr. Rowell made outstanding contributions to the public welfare in the course of a life which embraced membership in the Ontario Legislature and, for a time, leadership of the Opposition and of the Liberal Party in the province of Ontario, membership in the House of Commons and in the Union Government of Sir Robert Borden, membership in the Imperial War Cabinet during the last year of the last Great War and representation of Canada at the First Assembly of the League of Nations. He was a consistent worker for international peace and good-will, and a powerful advocate of the cause of international co-operation.

In spite of a constitution which throughout his life was far from robust, the late Chief Justice made no attempt to spare either his physical or mental strength in the furtherance of the many interests to which he devoted his life. His last public service was typical of his readiness to aid in the solution of national problems.

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