THE SENATE'S OBEDIENCE TO LIBERAL MANDATE IS BUT TEMPORARY.

Through men not directly responsible to the electorate of Canada our proposals have been defeated for the moment and an increased burden has, for the present, been imposed and accepted beyond the seas. We have every confidence that this defeat is but temporary, and that the duty of Canada will yet be honourably discharged.

The highest future for this Dominion lies within this Empire, upon conditions of equal status such as I have indicated. But the unity of the Empire cannot be maintained if its greatest Dominion adopts the policy of scampering under the cover of neutrality in time of danger or trouble. In days gone by men not only in Canada, but in the British Islands, have suggested. nay, even proposed, the Empire's dissolution. Nevertheless, its flag streams in undiminished splendour upon the breezes of the twentieth century and mindful of its power for peace and its influence for civilization and humanity, we do not dare to doubt its greater destiny in the years to come.

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