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I am deeply sensible to the high compliment of a re-election, and duly grateful, as I trust, to Almighty God for having directed my countrymen to a right conclusion, as I think, for their own good, it adds nothing to my satisfaction that any other man may be disappointed or pained by the results."

"I am thankful to God for this approval of the people; but, while deeply grateful for this mark of their confidence in me, if I know my heart, my gratitude is free from any taint of personal triumph. I do not impugn the motives of any one opposed to me. It is no pleasure to me to triumph over any one, but I give thanks to the Almighty for this evidence of the people's resolution to stand by free government and the rights of humanity."

Now that the elections are over, I ask my fellow citizens in all parts of this broad land, forgetting the differences of the past, to join their strength together in the fight for victory, peace and freedom.

The service of country in a great cause.

Ladies and gentlemen, I have no doubt that the faith and fire within everyone of us are pledged to the great cause which has called our soldiers, our sailors and our airmen to the service of their country. The government to which you have committed the greatest of all trusts will do its utmost to be worthy of them, of you and of Canada.

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