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Mr. President, Mr. Premier, and Gentlemen:

I thank you very warmly for the cordiality of the welcome you have just extended to me. It is indeed a great pleasure to me to be with you all tonight; to be again in the province of Quebec, and among my friends in the ancient capital of Canada.

To one who is Canadian born there is no part of our Dominion which it is such a joy to visit, ^{as Quebec} for there is no part of Canada in which it is possible to feel a comparable pride. Here, our country's foundations were laid; here, the most significant chapters of its history were written; here, of French and British parentage, the Canada we love, Canada, our Native Land, the Nation, Canada, had its birth.

To a Liberal, to a Liberal leader, whether it be Mr. Taschereau, Mr. Lapointe, or many of the others ^{whom I see} present this evening, but above all to the Leader of the party in the federal arena, there can be no more congenial company than that which one finds in the Province of Quebec. No where in Canada is the air more bracing and refreshing than on these historic heights, and no where is the imagination more greatly stirred