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more difficult problems. If the best results are to be secured and if we are not to be handicapped in our effort at this time, there must be confidence between all classes, confidence also in a commercial sense to enable us to keep the wheels of commerce and industry moving in order that there may be, under such conditions, a maximum of opportunity for employment. A lack of confidence would at this time be irreparable. We want employment for the soldier, indeed for everybody, and one of the worst things that could happen to this country would be the development of a lack of that mutual confidence upon which commerce and industry depend.

We must realize that the war has made a new world. It certainly has made a new Canada, a very different Canada from what it was before the war. It is necessary not only for the soldier to fit himself into new conditions, but for the whole Canadian people to fit themselves into new conditions and to understand what the new conditions mean. Of all the soldiers who crossed the seas from different parts of the world to take part in this war, none of them has a better country in every sense of the word

to return to than Canada's soldiers. This is not a mere commonplace statement, for our soldiers have learned what the habits of the people are in other places than Canada, and the more we have seen of conditions as they exist in other places, the more impressed from every point of view have we become of the magnificence of the country which is our heritage. I will not detain the House any longer at this time. I feel very gratified at the attentive and courteous manner with which hon. members on both sides of the House have listened to my somewhat lengthy remarks.

In closing, let me say that I understood to a great extent the responsibilities which I was assuming when after some misgivings I accepted the task of administering the overseas forces of Canada. The task was a difficult one; it taxed all my energies, but I would venture to say this, that I was always desirous of, and always aimed at, administering the overseas forces in such a manner as would meet with the approval of the Canadian people, once they were in a position to understand all the circumstances.

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