

the true greatness of the Canadian people in character and heroic achievement.

A second note sounded in this wonderful environment is that of harmony - harmony of color and design, harmony of aim and purpose, harmony of the several parts that unite to comprise the whole. Surely here is something that will not be without its influence upon the amenities of our parliamentary life, and its bearing upon the great problems that confront our nation. We have too often mistaken the significance of our differences of origin, of temperament, of interest, forgetting that variety may lend a richness to life which uniformity tends wholly to destroy. What is needed in the upbuilding of our nation is not the obliterating of differences, but the reconciling of them. We should seek to make this noble structure a temple of reconciliation in all that pertains to our national life. To what loftier purpose could we dedicate the new privilege that is ours to-day?

There is another note that is sounded, and which at the moment seems to ring out beyond all the rest. It is the spirit of our people. To some it has seemed a misfortune that we should have entered these buildings before they had reached completion. They, surely, have never heard of