

the Province of Ontario, and I am glad to say that Liberals and Conservatives alike realise that we intend to do something, not merely for a party or a class, but for the people of the Province of Ontario, who need a lead so far as the great issues in this Province are concerned, and especially so far as the questions of moral and social reform are concerned.

One thing that has gratified me more than any other, if I lay to one side for a moment the appreciation of the people of the policy of the party, is the character of the representatives that we are able to offer in nomination; men who stand for the best interests of the community; men who represent all interests of the community; men who are determined not merely to serve a party or a class but to give the best that is in them to serve the people.

And when I find in the City of Toronto men like my friend Controller O'Neill who is willing to give the people in a larger sphere the benefit of his ripened experience; when I find men like my friend Jim Cane who also will give of his service to the country and help to retire a Minister who has proved himself indolent and somnolent; when I find young men like my friends Col. Cooper and Capt. Ramsden—men who have done their best for their country, and a good best it was—when I find that, with them, there are to-day in the ranks of candidates for the Liberal Party in the Province of Ontario ten men with a splendid and glorious war record overseas, I tell you that the Liberal Party need not be ashamed of its position in this Province, of its war record, or the character of the candidates it presents to the people.

Three years ago I came before the people of the City of Toronto in this riding, and you were good enough to honour me with your confidence; three years ago we fought out the battle of the people upon two great issues—the nickel issue, which is still a live issue, though the half dead or dormant sleepers in Queen's Park fail to realise that a volcano is underneath them which is shortly to explode. Not only did we fight upon the question of nickel, but upon the great question which related to the Hydro development of this province, and we pledged ourselves as Liberals then, and we renewed the pledges which had been made by the Liberal Party to support the policy, not of the Government but of the Province of Ontario. And when I find my friend Hearst in his manifesto referring to the Hydro-Electric, but not mentioning one word with reference to Hydro Radials; when I find being put upon the walls "Hydro has saved \$50,000,000 for the Province of Ontario" and subscribing the name of W. H. Hearst, I ask myself and I ask you people of the Province of