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the first time in the history of any country, united in thanking God profoundly and gratefully for the country in which they live and the opportunity which it afforded. Let us as Canadians seek to rise to the full measure of the opportunity that is ours, and let us stand for our country in unity and strength, seeking to build up each and every part, knowing that as any one part prospers other parts will prosper, and that the good of all is bound up in the welfare of each. (Loud and prolonged applause.)

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ADDRESS BY HON. J. L. RALSTON,  
Minister of National Defence,

Delivered at North Sydney, N.S.,  
on Thursday, August 18, 1927.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen:

I can assure you that I will respond to the suggestion which has been made by the chairman, I know, in all kindness not only to you, but to me as well, because it is warm, and we have heard to-day, it seems to me, an address which will linger long in our memories. I would be the last one to break the spell of the magic words which have just fallen from the lips of the Prime Minister. (Applause.)

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