

Housing Problem

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The provinces are very jealous of their jurisdiction; especially is that true with respect to some of the older provinces, and they will not calmly or in any other way submit to their jurisdiction being taken away from them and exercised by the federal authority. Some of the newer provinces occupy somewhat the same position with respect to matters of this kind.

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To suggest at any time to the province of Ontario that some commission would determine how municipalities or towns or other communities or the province itself should expend given money is a matter to which they have not listened favourably; at least they did not in my time. They may have changed.

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I did suggest that to deprive the provinces of their powers, to endeavour, by voluntary effort, if you will, to determine how each province should expend its money, was something that the provinces did not indicate any desire or willingness to agree to.

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