

not planning to introduce it. That has already been made clear in Parliament by the Minister of National Defence but I would not be fair, and I would not be frank if I denied the possibility that the day may come when conscription will be necessary to save our country from defeat and conquest. I do not believe there is one Canadian who would prefer defeat and conquest to conscription. Should such an emergency arise, the hands of the government should not be tied. It is to be prepared for such an emergency, not to meet any present need, that the government should be given a free hand.