

the expense. She cannot remain as she is without representation as of right in the control of Foreign Affairs. She cannot accept the protection of Great Britain's Navy and Army without joining in the expense. If the Empire is at war Canada is at war and she cannot allow Great Britain to fight the wars of the Empire and decline to take part unless it suits her convenience or the ideas of her Government at the time to do so. Canada and the Dominions voluntarily co-ordinated in this war because the very existence of the Empire was at stake, because their liberties in common with the liberties of the peoples of the World were threatened, and because they could not stand by and see the Mother Country in great peril without going to her aid. This war has shown us that something more than voluntary co-ordination is required to solidify the Empire in its future relations to Foreign Nations, and that the self-governing parts of the Empire should have rights in these relations, and corresponding duties and obligations, and that nothing short of an agreement providing for these rights and duties and obligations will suffice.

