

admiration for him. For many years I was closely associated with him as a director of Banque Canadienne Nationale, and always found him to be a perfect gentleman, of sound judgment and trustworthy. I was happy to count him as one of my personal friends, and therefore wish to join in extending to his family my most sincere sympathy.

Hon. L. M. Guin: Honourable Senators, of all our colleagues who have recently departed from this life, it was with the late Charles P. Beaubien that I was most closely associated. I first became acquainted with him when I was still quite young. He was then one of the most prominent members of the Conservative party in my province, and it will readily be appreciated that he represented the best traditions of French-Canadian Conservatism.

The late senator was a successful lawyer, an eloquent speaker, and will long be remembered for his excellent addresses in both English and French. He did great honour to Canada both at home and abroad. It was my privilege frequently to work under him as chairman of various charitable and patriotic organizations. Whenever one appealed to the kind heart of the Honourable Charles Beaubien one was always sure to receive a favourable response. I listened again and

again to his admirable speeches. I became associated with him in the fields of education as well as of business. As remarked by our leaders on both sides of the house and other honourable gentlemen who have spoken, Senator Beaubien was indeed *un parfait gentilhomme*—a perfect gentleman of the old school. He was one of the most distinguished representatives of our French-speaking aristocracy.

But in addition to his distinction of manner, and his literary merits, he possessed above all his qualities a deep sense, a religious sense so to speak, of duty. I believe that devotion was the best characteristic of our late colleague. For many months, to my personal knowledge, he attended all his corporation meetings, although he was very ill, quite pale, and evidently suffering very much. The last time I saw him, his concern was still to be of service to others.

With a kindly smile he inquired about their health, their needs, and so on. He gave us indeed an admirable example of self-sacrifice, and for this he shall never be forgotten by his many friends of all classes, of all races, of all religious denominations, and of all political creeds. To his family I express my most sincere sympathy.

The Senate adjourned until tomorrow at 3 p.m.
