

INTRODUCTION

THE Liberal Party in Ontario can point to a past of honorable achievement,—

The battle under Mowat which resulted in securing to this Province territory justly belonging to it;

The conflict which for all time assured the legislative supremacy of the Province within its own sphere;

The Succession Duties Act under which great estates are, on the death of the testator, compelled to contribute to the public revenues of the Province in which they have been acquired;

The blazing of the way in public ownership by the Province by the building of the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway;

The opening up of New Ontario with its vast resources in silver, timber and agricultural wealth;

Thirty years of legislation which put Ontario in the van of the march of progress.

These are achievements of the past to which all Liberals can point with pride.

But the Liberal party is not one which rests on the past. Its face is to the rising sun. Under the leadership of a man on whom the mantle of Blake, of Mowat, of Fraser, of Pardee and of Hardy rests, it appeals to the people of Ontario on a platform that fills the needs of the Ontario of to-day.