

order men's thoughts for a selfish and narrow purpose but to arouse them for an individual and common good; not to excite tensions but to relax them; not to foster discord in adversity but to fashion harmony in diversity. This war on cultural poverty is a great task worthy of all Canadians -- a task to provide for the enrichment and advancement of our people and of our nation.

I say all this as a Canadian and as a politician concerned with what Matthew Arnold described 100 years ago as "the true and noble science of politics". A "true and noble science" because politics negotiates the problem of how man is to live not in isolation but in society. "Of Man in Society", said Matthew Arnold, "the capital need is that the whole body of society should come to live a life worthy of being called human, and corresponding to Man's aspirations and powers. This, the humanization of Man in society, is civilization. The aim for all of us is to promote it and to promote it is above all the aim for the true politician."

Such, I hope, is the aim of all of us assembled here this day.

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