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The Right Honourable Ernest Lapointe, K.C., M.P.

Loss to country
The word of the death of the Right Honourable Ernest Lapointe will be received with profound sorrow in all parts of Canada. Canadians everywhere, regardless of political affiliations, will be agreed that, in Mr. Lapointe, our country has lost one of the greatest of her sons and a statesman the country could ill afford to lose at any time, and least of all in these days of crisis and stress.

Particular loss of present
In one of the last talks I had with Mr. Lapointe, he said to me that what he most regretted about his illness was that it meant he would not be here to continue to take his part in seeking to meet the difficult situations with which the country was faced. That regret will be shared by all Canada. He has passed from us at a moment which may well prove to be the most critical in the history of our country, as, indeed it is, in the history of the world.

Relation with Sir Wilfrid
It is not without significance that Mr. Lapointe's death should have occurred within a few days of the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of Sir Wilfrid Laurier. The span of their lives embraced a century of Canadian history.