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I am sure that each one of you will keep a calm and courageous heart. I know too that no effort of hand or head will be spared until victory is achieved. We may expect news of dire and dreadful events. Let us always remember that endurance is one of the greatest of all virtues, and it is the last battle that decides the struggle.

Tonight, my follow citizens, there stand by my side the Minister of Belgium to Canada, and a representative of the Minister of the Notherlands to Canada. They will speak to you in a few minutes. On your behalf, and in the name of the government of Canada, I say to them that we have confidence in ourselves and in our allies, and not least in their two hereis lands who today have joined the campany of nations that are defending in some the cause of human freedom.

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