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feelings and sentiments each of the other and all being united in devotion to their common country. (Hear, hear). In other words, Canadians of different races and creeds must never be enemies but friends, not antagonists but allies all working together in concord and harmony for the welfare and aggrandizement of their common country (applause). As one of the greatest of the Fathers of Confederation — George Etienne Cartier — truly said — and these striking words are appropriately engraved on the noble monument that rises in his honor on the slopes of Mount Royal "*We are of different races not for strife but to work together for the common welfare.*" It is upon such a basis alone, a basis of cordial co-operation and good will that true national unity can be secured and Confederation permanently endure. (applause).

TRUE NATIONAL UNITY

The idea that I would wish the most strongly to convey was emphasized better than any words of mine could emphasize it by one of the greatest of Canadians, the man who throughout his long and illustrious career ever advocated concord and unity and whose loss the whole of Canada deplored. I refer to Sir Wilfrid Laurier (loud applause). Speaking of an incident that happened during one of his visits to England that great statesman said:—

"When in England at the Queen's Jubilee I had the privilege of visiting one of the marvels of Gothic architecture, which the hand of genius, guided by unerring faith, had made a harmonious whole, in which granite, marble, oak, and other materials were blended. That cathedral is an image of the nation I hope to see Canada become. I shall always repel the idea of changing the nature of its different elements. I want the marble to remain the marble; I want the granite to remain the granite; I want the oak to remain the oak; I want the sturdy Scotchman to remain the Scotchman; I want the brainy Englishman to remain the Englishman; I want the warm-hearted Irishman to remain the Irishman; and of course he intended to imply that he wished the French-Canadian to remain the French-Canadian. I want to take all these elements and build a nation that will be foremost among the nations of the world."

That is the true conception of national unity and it is such a union that we should all strive for in the interest of our beloved land. (applause).

What wise, noble and patriotic words are also those lately uttered by His Grace, Archbishop Mathieu (applause) who has done and is doing so much to promote racial concord and national unity. They are so appropriate and timely that I cannot refrain from quoting them on this occasion. Speaking lately in the City of Quebec, His Grace the Archbishop of Regina said:—