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"For those who have fallen we shall not cease to mourn, for the cause to which they consecrated their lives we shall not cease to strive until it triumphs; we are supremely confident it will assuredly triumph, and for that great purpose we are inspired by unflinching determination to do our part."

—Sir Robert L. Borden, London, Eng.

"If anyone here has the mentality to say that this war is not our business, and that Canada is not vitally concerned, I can only say that it is not my mentality. It is a war of absolutism against liberty. If you have liberty at heart, how can any of you say it is not our business?"

—Sir Wilfrid Laurier, St. Lin, P.Q.

"For those who cannot go to the front remains the task of developing and conserving our resources, of providing for the dependents of those who are fighting for us, of caring for the widow and orphans of him who has given his life for his country. And it is for all of us to greatly resolve, by every means that in us lies, to pursue to the end this bitter conflict, that public law, national liberty and common humanity may not perish from the earth."

—Hon. W. T. White, Montreal, P.Q.

OUR BOYS

Previously reported:

Dead	30
Wounded	46
Prisoners	4

DEAD.

DAVID S. HINDLE.

WOUNDED.

ARTHUR LAPOINTE.

MR. FORAN'S ADDRESS.

The concluding portion of Mr. Foran's address in combination with the part published in the last number, furnishes a very interesting résumé of the operation of the Civil Service Act. We propose to comment critically upon certain statements of fact in the address, but before doing so, desire to congratulate the author upon his very elucidating exposition. Especially is Mr. Foran to be congratulated on account of his success in inducing the United States Convention of Commissioners to make Ottawa their next meeting place. The importance of this achievement no man may to-day foresee, but in our humble opinion, it is an incident in Canada's Civil Service career unprecedented in importance; fraught as it is with the liveliest possibilities. Well it would be could the Civil Service Federation find it convenient to make the date of its convention synchronize with the date of the convention of the great United States "Merit" body.

In the portion of his address published in *The Civilian* of Oct. 1st Mr. Foran quite properly emphasized the importance of the life tenure of the Canadian Commissioners, which renders them, if they care to be so, absolutely invulnerable to all assaults up-