

end. While as regards our neighbors to the south of us, even if we cannot (for the present) establish better trade relations with them than we now possess we can at least by all fair and honorable means cultivate a good understanding between them and ourselves and in so doing as I have so frequently pointed out confer a most substantial benefit both on our people and on the entire Empire of which we form a part.

Lastly and perhaps most important task of all it will be the especial duty and objects of the Liberal party so to administer the Government of this Dominion as to extinguish once and for all, I trust, those appeals to prejudices of class and race which elsewhere have borne such fruits of evil and which in Canada of all places it is simply suicidal in a national point of view to foster or encourage. These, sir, are the aims which the Liberal party should set before it in the future, and I think that what they have done in the past affords every reasonable guarantee that they will not fail to promote them by every means in their power in the time to come.

### Asks for a Fair Investigation.

Gentlemen, so far as I know I have laid the facts before you plainly and simply. I have given you the authority on which I have made them. I repeat again all that the Government asks, all that the Government desires, is fair play and a fair hearing, and all that they specially request of their friends here and their friends in the rest of the country is that they shall investigate for themselves the truth of the statements which the members of the Government have made through my mouth and the mouths of others of my colleagues, and if they find, as I believe they will find, that every statement we have made is one that can be substantiated by the records, or one of which you can obtain reasonable proof by looking around you and seeing the condition of the country, then I think we may fearlessly claim that on our part we have done our duty towards you, and that you will be doing your duty and promoting your own interests, by renewing your lease of power to us. (Great cheers).