

making that leavetaking such a wonderful and splendid success.

Now, I cannot quite comply with the suggestion of my good friend Mr. Kelly not to talk politics. It is necessary to talk a little politics. You ~~did not~~ expect me not to say at least a word or two in that respect. I do not want to wound anybody's feelings or offer any undue criticism, but I desire to say a few words, along the lines which ~~xxx~~ Right Hon. Mr. King has laid out, with regard to the thing called the Duncan Report and the matters which are contained therein.

I noticed, to my surprise, in the Herald a few days ago a report of a meeting held by my friend Mr. Rhodes at Kentville, at which he made what I thought was a rather astounding statement. He really took unto himself and his Government the credit for the things which were in the Duncan report. He said that Mr. King did just two things, namely, he appointed the commission, and he took the money out of the treasury to implement the findings. Now, I am a good personal friend of Mr. Rhodes, and he has many excellent qualities, but I do not think that my friend Mr. Rhodes did himself justice when he made any such reference as that. If anybody knows anything about constitutional usage it ought to be a man who was Speaker of the House of Commons for a number of years, as Mr. Rhodes was; and if he knows anything about constitutional

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