

Parkside, Vancouver, B.C. 23rd May 1903.

My dear Son,

You will no doubt remember reading in the News, February 16th 1903, the following passage:-

"This is particularly true of a party which enjoyed for so many years the great personal ascendency of Sir John Macdonald, and the bold, constructive genius of Sir Charles Tupper. It is for the moment the fashion to depreciate the aged Nova Scotian, but history will give him a great place in the story of confederated Canada. With all his faults he was essentially a policy-maker and a constructive statesman. His work was done when the country needed builders, and it was done boldly and courageously. The party which he helped to create will never be content with the mere business of attack and criticism, and whatever legitimate pride it may have in its past, it must look for a future in keeping with its traditions."

When in Toronto in March last I met Mr Willison, the managing director and editor of that paper, at the house of Mr McMurrich, a leading Liberal, and one of the directors of the Globe newspaper. I took the opportunity of thanking

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