

friends. This reason cannot commend itself to sound public opinion. We have not receded from the policy which we announced two years ago, and therefore we are prepared

To restore their public lands to the provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan upon fair and reasonable terms.

THE MAINTENANCE OF PROVINCIAL RIGHTS.

The tendency of the present Administration has been to disregard and override provincial rights. This has made itself manifest in various ways. There has been a standing alliance between the Dominion Government and certain Liberal provincial governments. The Prime Minister of Canada declared that the Liberal Government of Ontario was his right arm. It has been amputated with happy results to the country as a whole, and to Ontario in particular. There has been undue interference in the affairs of various provinces, notably in those of Quebec and Saskatchewan. The Prime Minister of Canada has practically admitted in parliament, and his friend, Hon. Walter Scott, has openly stated in a letter which was read on the floor of the House, that not the Lieutenant-Governor of Saskatchewan, but Sir Wilfrid Laurier, made the selection of the first prime minister of that province.

Promoters, not only from Ontario, but from Quebec, have come to the Dominion Parliament for charters which should have been granted only by the provincial legislatures.

One charter, obtained nearly twenty years ago from the Ontario Legislature when under Liberal control, was brought before the Dominion Parliament upon some flimsy pretext and was renewed by the Dominion Parliament in defiance of provincial rights, simply for the reason that no further renewal could be obtained from Ontario. So far has this disregard of provincial rights extended that the Dominion Government has attempted to possess itself of valuable timber lands in the Province of Ontario without regard to the rights of the province or its lessees. We advocate and stand for

The unimpaired maintenance of all powers of self-government which have been conferred upon the provinces of Canada under the Constitution.

THE ALL-RED IDEA A CONSERVATIVE ONE.

George IV became firmly convinced that he had commanded the British forces at Waterloo, and a similar mental aberration