

government in closing their ears to the call of justice on the part of the Canadian people, their hour has now come and it is too late for the government to remedy their inaction.

That reminds me at this moment of a little story which is significant because of its truth. In one of the hospitals lately young medical students were being examined by the doctors in charge, and one of the questions asked of one of the young medical students was this: what is a dose of croton oil? The student thought for a moment and said "A table-spoonful". The professor bent down, said nothing, but wrote in a little book on the table. Fifteen minutes later the young student, realizing the error he had made, went up to the professor and said: "Will you please listen for a moment? I made a mistake. I discovered my error about that dose. May I correct it?" The answer was this: "No, young man; your patient has been dead for fifteen minutes". The present Liberal government has been dead, not for fifteen minutes but for the last two years. Why do I say that? I say it because of the fact public opinion is against it.

What do I find regarding our natural resources, for example? Even the record in the United States Senate reveals a story that is indicative of the trend of the suicidal policy which Canada has entered upon. We find that there it is admitted that Canada is the storehouse for the great masses of United States industrial life. Without Canada the United States to-day would find it difficult to get the raw materials that are essential for the building up of their industries and she recognizes that. Read the last report of the chief forester of the United States and it is a story which shows that in that great country their forest reserves have diminished to such an extent that it will be many years before they can be replaced and in some cases they will never be. Yet we in Canada are proud to think that to-day our export trade in raw pulp and lumber is expanding.

Is there anything else we want to see wherein we have failed? There is no department of Canadian life that we are not injuring, and we seem to be ignorant of the fact. Take the millions of homes in Canada. Take the magazines that are pouring in by the hundreds of thousands from the great republic to the south. Furthermore, go to your moving picture shows to-day and you will see how the youth of Canada are being brought up to recognize and look up to one great nation and one only, namely the United States. Moreover, go to-day where radio passes and brings messages to every home even in the remotest parts of Canada, and

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what do you find? You find that all the air channels, with very few exceptions, are controlled by the United States. Does anyone contend that the people of Canada are going to continue heedless, forgetful of the fact that the noblest work that a government was ever asked to do was to build up a nation? Is it possible that we have forgotten the glory and greatness of the men who built empires and nations? Whatever others may think, I believe the people of Canada to-day are so keenly alive to what Canada has been brought to that 1911 will be but a miniature of what is going to take place if an election should come in this country in the near future.

But I have one thing more to say in this short period. I come here assuredly with no petty view and with a most profound respect for the ministers who sit opposite me. My town was honoured this year by the presence therein of two of the outstanding characters in Canadian life. I refer to the Prime Minister of Canada (Mr. Mackenzie King) and the leader of the opposition (Mr. Bennett). I remember on a wonderful summer evening in 1910, another great leader of Canada's greatness, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, visited there likewise and received exactly the same inspiration which every thoughtful man receives when he crosses the Rocky mountains and sees the glories of our Pacific coast. Therein there is a tale to tell. I speak now on a very important question. It is one that I regret that I at this hour should be called to present before parliament, but it is only an indication that the present government were blind to the wonderful opportunity of doing something outstanding and noble in building up western Canada. I refer to the Peace River country. The story of the Canadian National, of the Grand Trunk Pacific, is redolent of memories of struggle and heroic endeavour. But what do I find? I find that when Laurier stood in that western seaport town and envisioned the greatness of the Pacific trade, he uttered what was more or less a prophecy, that that port, now that a band of steel linked it with the great continental arc of Canada, would come into its own. The result has been that for the last nine years the wonderful possibilities of that port have remained undeveloped, due to the tragic death of Mr. Charles M. Hays who went down in the Titanic and later to the apathy of the Canadian National Railways. But for Mr. Hays's death I believe the port of Prince Rupert to-day would be one of the greatest ports for oriental and continental trade.

But the members of this government are also to blame. For the last four years a number of us have been urging in this house