

before the Canadian people. Shall Canada's effort in this war be **maintained or withdrawn?** Shall the Canadian Army Corps at the front be **supported or deserted?** Such is the issue. I speak with all the earnestness of the most intense conviction—I speak as one upon whom very heavy and trying responsibilities have been imposed during the past three years, responsibilities that would gladly have been laid aside except for the silent appeal from the trenches. **The responsibility is now yours.** It rests upon **each of you,** men and women. I pray that it may be so fulfilled as to justify the sacrifice bravely and voluntarily endured on many a battle-field in France and Belgium by those whom Canada has sent forth in this awful struggle against the most relentless, brutal and powerful militarism that ever threatened to bring the world within the orbit of its accursed tyranny."

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**EXTRACTS FROM THE SPEECH OF HON. A. K. MACLEAN AT THE MASS UNIONIST MEETING, HALIFAX, NOVEMBER 14th.**

"Many things have happened in this country and in many countries of the world since the outbreak of the war. We have gone thru travail and sorrow. Thousands of Canadian soldiers lie buried in Flanders fields, where grow the poppies between the crosses row on row. There are griefs which cannot be concealed; there are tears which cannot be dried; there are hearts which cannot be comforted. I cannot enumerate all the things that have happened and which justify my saying to you tonight that **we are living under strange and unusual conditions;** that the political interests of this country are in a different condition from what they ever were in your life time and in mine, and that therefore we must view them from an entirely new angle. Every elector and every citizen of Canada must realize that he will be able on election day to exercise the privilege of the franchise in such manner as to reflect credit on himself and do justice to his country.

"You  
Should Vote  
for the Union  
Government."