

## CONSERVATIONS

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**DR. JAMES W. ROBERTSON** said:

**Mr. President, Your Excellency and Gentlemen:**  
It is very pleasant to be with a Canadian Club, and still more pleasant for me to be with the Canadian Club of Ottawa. As one of its old members I am not only with you but of you. I thank you for the cordial welcome you have extended to my fellow members of the Royal Commission on Industrial Training and Technical Education. Our Commission is a body of working citizens. I take the youngest as a type—Rev. Dr. Bryce, diligent in business, fervent in spirit, serving Canada. Sometimes he challenges the accuracy of my quotations, but he will not doubt the aptness of this application. Apart from the embarrassment of making a speech to one's intimate friends—(I think I understand why the church sends young missionaries to preach first to the heathen instead of to the fellows they played with at school)—I am glad of the opportunity of speaking to the Canadian Club. Since I last had the privilege of attending a meeting of this Club, I have spoken to over a score of Canadian Clubs from Halifax to Victoria. These Clubs stand for the development and nourishment of intelligent patriotism. In Canada we are all patriotic; but the manifestation of our patriotism differs in quality and manner according to our knowledge and intelligence.

The love of our land is instinctive; it runs in the