

will be laid on the growth of internationalism and not upon the perpetuation of militarism and sectionalism. It will, in other words, be based on a philosophy of responsibility and not on a philosophy of power. And what, perhaps, is of most interest to us, by such a democratic or true liberal party the Empire would be regarded as a commonwealth of nations in a free union and more weight would be given by it to the growth and maintenance of its spiritual union than to its growth as a world power. How radically, in *this respect at least*, such a policy differs from the present designs of the predominant Imperialistic school whose ruling conception of the Empire is its position as a world power, will readily be seen. In the forefront of the new party's domestic policy will be *education* which will be regarded as of supreme importance and as a first charge upon the national revenue on the ground that education is the prime essential for the realization of democracy. Industry will be conceived of by such a party as a public service existing to serve public needs and it will therefore work for the extinction of the profiteer and for the realization of an industrial democracy, a more equalized national standard of life by the taxation of the rich and the upliftment of the masses by means of further education, a better social environment, higher pay, greater leisure, and increased responsibility for the control of industry. In short, the policy of the new liberalism will be to remove the shackles which now fetter all but the few so as to enable the masses to enter into the full life of the community, which would thus finally become a real democracy and a true liberalism.\*

### THE NEW LIBERALISM IN CANADA.

It is something of the kind that we may expect to happen in Canada. Already the signs are apparent of a new alignment of parties. We talked in the old days of Liberals and Conservatives but to many people these had become little more than names. The great Liberal-Conservative party, the party of Macdonald and Cartier, has

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