

done everything we could, and it would be idle to say that Canada had done everything she could do.

In conclusion, Mr. Rowell stated that during his visit to New York on the occasion of the meeting already referred to, a prominent publisher had asked him whether it were true that the Canadians had been put into the front of the battle to undertake tasks which the British themselves would not undertake. He had made the reply that the report was absolutely untrue. He had added, however, that Canadians had not gone overseas to fill comfortable and safe billets. It was their glory that at St. Julienne, at Festubert, at Givenchy, at Ypres, at Zillebeke, and on the Somme, they had struck great blows for liberty; and it was their crowning glory that they had been given the task of storming and capturing Vimy Ridge, that vital position in Germany's line of defence. No soldiers had fought more bravely than the Canadians; no soldiers could fight more bravely than they had done. It remained to be seen whether Canada would stand by them or desert them in the critical hour.

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