interest of Canada on his mind at all times, even when his pride was at stake. Lastly, the South African War which was caused by the finding of diamonds in a British colony of Cape Town. The land had been inhabited by the people that called themselves the Boers. When the British came to claim what they thought was their diamonds/goods the Boer people did not want to hand over what they thought was theirs. This started a war between Great Britain and the Boers, but when the war began the British were caught by surprise as they were unfamiliar with the Boers hit and run war tactics. This resulted in the British needing more troops so they immediately looked at Canada for help. The English Canadians wanted to help but the French Canadians did not see why they would fight in a war that was not affecting Canada whatsoever. Laurier handled this by sending only volunteers satisfying Britain, the English Canadians, and the French Canadians who were not obligated to enlist. The Boer War was a test of Laurier’s ability to make executive decisions for Canada that would help to benefit all of our countries peoples and our country as a whole. Wilfrid Laurier handled this situation in the best way possible, he combined the wishes of all three of the parties involved in this issue therefore keeping everybody satisfied with the outcome that the hardship resolved in. Laurier demonstrated how he was concerned with the opinions of everyone and how his decisions would affect each party. He found a solution that made the most people feeling as if their side has been taken into account, while still getting what needed to be done finished for example sending troops to help the British. Laurier’s compromise was the only answer to the problem that would work in the good books of the French Canadians, the English Canadians, and keeping our country on good terms with Britain. For those reasons the solution to the Boer War issue was the best thing that Laurier could have done which proves that he was an impeccable leader for our country during this difficult time. Looking back on how Laurier handled the situations such as these it is apparent that Canada was extremely lucky to have such a poised, sophisticated, and level-headed leader such as Laurier during our countries hardships and conflicts of the 20th century.