 **Canada and the Coming of WWI**

**Free From External Conflict**

* In the early years following Confederation, Canada was able to grow, free from external conflict;
* From time to time, there were disagreements with the United States, but there was little threat of a full-scale war.

**Tensions Within Europe**

* In the 1890s, tensions with Europe grew, especially between Britain and Germany;
* These tensions threatened to lead European nations to war;
* Would Canada be dragged into this foreign dispute?

**Conclusion**

* From early 1890s to 1914, a constant threat of war was looming;
* Britain asked Canada to play a larger role in defending the British Empire;
* English and French Canadian voters showed different opinions on the subject.