

he has for saying, "When you said that the press has tried to excite prejudices between the different denominations and races of the Dominion, your remarks were directed against me?" I admit that the hon. gentleman is a better judge of what he has written than I am, and if he really wrote articles such as those I have denounced, he is welcome to accept the position, and to believe that the expressions I have used were directed against him; but I challenge him to prove that I have accused my compatriots of being revolutionary in the late movement, and I defy him to point out anything in my speech which could bear any other interpretation than that which I have just given. My hon. friend was kind enough to remark that I would be isolated in this House and in my Province. I make no pretence to being a dictator in the Province of Quebec as my hon. friend pretends to be. I have a right to entertain an independent opinion, and I can assure him that I am prepared and determined to express it freely. Moreover, I am satisfied that at the general elections my hon. friend will find that the intelligent and well-meaning French-Canadians are not all on his side.

HON. MR. GIRARD—Will the hon. Postmaster-General be kind enough to inform the House whether the debate will be adjourned or continued this evening?

HON. SIR ALEX. CAMPBELL—If the House desires it, I have no objection to the debate being adjourned until Monday, but it is usual to adopt the Address on the first day.

HON. MR. HAYTHORNE—It is not usual to hurry a division on the debate on the Address. I for one would feel I was remiss in my duty if I failed to offer some comments on the conduct of the Government during the recess.

HON. SIR ALEX. CAMPBELL—The only answer I have to make to my hon. friend is that I have not hurried it.

HON. MR. GIRARD moved that the debate be adjourned until Monday.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned at 6 o'clock.

HON. MR. BOLDUC.

## THE SENATE.

*Ottawa, Monday, March 1st, 1886.*

The SPEAKER took the Chair at Three o'clock.

Prayers and routine proceedings.

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PENITENTIARY.

### MOTION.

HON. MR. BELLEROSE moved that :

"An humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor-General; praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid before this House, a copy of the protest of the Deputy Warden of St. Vincent de Paul Penitentiary (Telesphore Ouimet), objecting to the evidence of Hector Demers, summoned as a witness on the 14th July, 1884, being taken before the Commission of Enquiry named to enquire into the management of the aforesaid Penitentiary in 1884."

HON. SIR ALEX. CAMPBELL—There is no objection to the Address, but I may inform my hon. friend that a search has been made in the records of the trials concerning the Penitentiary without finding this document. Mr. Moylan is not in town at present. A telegram has been sent to him asking whether there is such a document in existence, and if there is where it is to be found.

The motion was agreed to.

## THE ADDRESS.

### DEBATE CONTINUED.

HON. MR. GIRARD—When I moved the adjournment of the debate on Friday last, it was my intention to speak in French, because the speech to which we had just listened at the time was in French; but I suppose, accustomed as I have been to rely on the indulgence of this House, it will be better for me to make my remarks in the broken English that I speak than in a language which many of the hon. gentlemen would not understand.

HON. SIR ALEX. CAMPBELL—It is good English.