

up their voice in loud assertion and arrogance; they make the most audacious claims and inroads on the rights of others; they obtrude their religious rites in every conceivable form upon us; they seek by mediæval pomp and half-pagan pagentry and self-assumed titles to overwhelm us with a sense of their divine majesty. They at every turn and through every government are forcing their way to ascendancy.

And why is this? Because the voice of Protestantism has not been round and clear and emphatic, and the policy of concession, begot by party exigence and distrust of each other's fidelity to Protestant principles, has been adopted and systematically carried out, instead of the invincible voice of Derry, "No Surrender."

Surely at long last the culmination of that system has been reached, when Jesuitism, the fiercest head of the hydra, speared from every country in the world but Egyptian Ireland, has been incorporated as a useful and desirable society in the Dominion, and handsomely endowed out of the nation's purse. At long last the voice of Protestantism has been raised, and Protestants have been shaken from their guilty policy. From every quarter all over the land, from Halifax to Victoria, denunciations have been hurled against the governments, both the Conservative and the Liberal.

Orangemen, the government is the creation of the country. It must carry out the will of the people, and had the will of the people been clearly pronounced on this policy, no government would have dared to act against it. Denounce yourselves. The blame is your own, every particle of it. You have been Protestants winking at every concession to insatiable papacy, privately bewailing it as a political necessity, or with fleeting flush of indignation protesting and threatening retaliation, but when election day came all these concessions and fervent protestations and threats were buried in oblivion, and rancorous partyism stifled your Protestantism, and the same chariot rolled on, with the Pope on the box and your governments in the traces. But, thank God, there is now such a firm planting of the foot, and such a bold attitude of determined resistance, that no doubt is left lingering in the mind of the dullest that the brake has at last been put upon the wheel; that the government understands that henceforth and forever there can be in Canada only a Protestant government, inasmuch as the heart of Canada believes that a Protestant government alone can maintain intact the civil and religious liberties of the people, the integrity of the empire, the prerogatives and honour of the crown.

You Orangemen at Goderich, the Citizens' Convention at Toronto, the Methodist Conferences, the Anglican Synods, and the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church cannot be set aside by any cabinet, whether Conservative or Liberal. Your statesmen understand you now, and