

McLaren and Dr. Sinclair, and I simply sent to the Department the application of those gentlemen. Anyone who knows Dr. Sinclair knows that he is one of the most pronounced Grits in the Dominion of Canada; and the hon. gentleman, in mentioning Mr. McLaren, concealed half the facts of the case; he never mentioned that Dr. Sinclair was connected with him. They did not get the timber limit on their own application, they were notified that there were other applicants, and they were told to tender for it. They did so; they offered a certain amount, and they got the timber limit, showing that by no act of mine was any influence used with the Government in order to obtain it for them. The hon. member for West Huron has made some charges through the country, which he has not had the courage to make on the floor of the House this evening. He made some charges against members of Parliament, when speaking at a place called Wingham, and he has not had the courage to state one single particle of those charges this evening. He made a charge against me, and I have been waiting a long time, for an opportunity to meet that hon. gentleman and see if he would dare repeat it in the House, or hear what his reason was for making the charge, that I might give it a flat contradiction. He stated in reference to me:

"John Haggart, the Tory member for South Lanark, has managed to capture out of the 'loot' 320 acres of coal lands, a timber limit on the 'hell River, at \$5 a square mile, an interest with Peter McLaren, of 'Rivers and Streams Bill' notoriety, in other portions of the public property, and is believed to have had an interest in more than one of the contracts on the C.P.R. Those who know John Haggart best say that there are many and peculiar reasons why he must stand firm by the Government."

I simply state that is a cowardly, lying statement, framed out of whole cloth, by a party who had not a particle of evidence to justify him in making the statement.

Mr. TYRWHITT. As my name has been mentioned amongst those guilty of corruption, I feel it my duty to say a word in my own defence. The mover of the present resolution has stepped out of his ordinary character in this House. As it has been his custom in the past to promote legislation of a moral character, he opened his remarks by saying he had been to church, but he immediately afterwards broke the pledge he had made with the Minister of the Interior, that he would not bring this motion up to-night. He proceeded then to quote scripture and make false statements alternately.

Mr. SPEAKER. Order.

Mr. TYRWHITT. I withdraw the expression; but it is certainly a false statement, as far as I am concerned. It has been well proved, that every statement made by the mover and seconder of the resolution, was false.

Mr. SPEAKER. Order. There are parliamentary expressions which the hon. gentleman can use, and he must confine himself to those.

Mr. TYRWHITT. The offence of which I confess to have been guilty is a very simple one. I consider it my duty as representing my county to correspond with the Government on the business of my constituents, and on the present occasion two gentlemen visited me and asked me to correspond with the Minister of the Interior with regard to timber limits. They were men of different political stripes. The main mover happened to be a Reformer, Mr. Meany, and the other was a Conservative. The Reformer had been in the North-West, and had seen this timber limit for which he made this application. His application was granted, and I have never seen the gentleman since. I do not believe he received the grant, because he did not comply with the regulations of the Government.

Sir RICHARD CARTWRIGHT. I would suggest to the hon. gentleman who leads the House that in view of the fact that there are a number of gentlemen on both sides who would like to say something more, it would be better to adjourn and finish the debate during the course of the day. It may be closed now, but I fear the result will be that another day will have to be given up to this, and it would be better for us to adjourn at once. As it is past five o'clock I will not weary the House with a discussion on the question, but simply make my suggestion because I do not think this argument can be regarded as closed whether we take the vote or not.

Mr. WOOD (Brockville). I quite agree with the hon. gentleman that this matter has gone too far for the opposition to rest. Hon. gentlemen opposite have made statements which are either true or not. If hon. gentlemen on this side have spoken the truth, these charges are most foul slanders, and it behoves the Opposition, who have made these charges, not alone on the floor, but on every hustings, to make them good if they can. I believe the hon. gentleman who has taken his seat has taken the proper view, and that this debate should be adjourned so as to give the Opposition the opportunity of making good the statements, the slanders, I believe, they have hurled against hon. members on this side.

Mr. CHARLTON. The hon. member for Simcoe (Mr. McCarthy) accused me of making a false statement with regard to himself, and proceeded to corroborate exactly what I had said, which was that he had been an applicant on behalf of another party for a timber limit.

Mr. McCARTHY. That was not the charge made against me.

Mr. CHARLTON. I refer to Mr. Tyrwhitt.

House divided on Mr. Charlton's motion.

YEA:

Messieurs

Allen,
Auger,
Bain (Wentworth),
Béchar,
Bourassa,
Cameron (Huron),
Cameron (Middlesex),
Campbell (Renfrew),
Cartwright,
Casey,
Casgrain,
Charlton,
Cook,
Davies,
Edgar,

Fairbank,
Fisher,
Gillmor,
Glen,
Guay,
Harley,
Holton,
Innes,
Irvine,
Jackson,
King,
Landerkin,
Lister,
McCraney,

McWullen,
Mills,
Mulock,
Paterson (Brant),
Platt,
Rinfret,
Scriven,
Somerville (Brant),
Somerville (Bruce),
Springer,
Sutherland (Oxford),
Trow,
Watson,
Wilson.—43.

NAY:

Messieurs

Allison,
Bain (Soulages),
Baker (Victoria),
Beatty,
Benoit,
Bergeron,
Bergin,
Blondeau,
Bourbeau,
Bowell,
Bryson,
Burnham,
Burns,
Cameron (Inverness),
Caron (Sir Adolphe),
Cimon,
Cochrane,
Costigan,
Coughlin,
Curran,

Ferguson (Leeds & Gren),
Fortin,
Foster,
Gaudet,
Gault,
Gigault,
Girouard,
Gordon,
Grandbois,
Guillet,
Hackett,
Haggart,
Hesson,
Hickey,
Hilliard,
Homer,
Ives,
Kaulbach,
Kilvert,
Kinney,
McGreevy,
McLellan,
Montplaisir,
O'Brien,
Orton,
Quimet,
Patterson (Essex),
Pinsonneault,
Pruyn,
Riopel,
Robertson (Hastings),
Royal,
Scott,
Shakespeare,
Shanly,
Small,
Sproule,
Stairs,
Taschereau,
Tassé,