

*Australian Treaty—Mr. Bennett*

Mr. BENNETT: The hon. gentleman was reflecting upon a man who had accumulated a million dollars as being unfit to serve the state.

Mr. ILSLEY: My hon. friend is entirely misrepresenting me. He does not accept my correction.

Mr. BENNETT: The Toronto Globe reports the speech of the hon. gentleman at St. Catharines, and I take it as being an accurate report. Now sir—

Mr. CAHILL: Withdraw the statement.

Mr. BENNETT: Withdraw what? I am quoting from the Toronto Globe, and my hon. friend says it is an inaccurate statement of what he said.

Mr. McMILLAN: The hon. gentleman is forced to accept the statement of an hon. member.

Mr. BENNETT: The hon. member says the report in the newspaper is inaccurate, that is all. I have referred to the report which appeared in the paper. Let my hon. friend quarrel with the paper and not with me; let him write his letter of retraction to the paper; let him set himself right. I expect to be in St. Catharines to-morrow and then I will find out what he did say, from people who heard him.

Mr. ILSLEY: Let me make the statement—

Mr. BENNETT: I am not going to have any statement made during the course of my remarks. The hon. gentleman has spoken.

Mr. ILSLEY: On a question of privilege.

Mr. BENNETT: I have permitted the hon. gentleman to ask a question.

Mr. SPEAKER: No interruption without the consent of the hon. member speaking, is permissible unless it is on a question of privilege.

Mr. ILSLEY: It is a question of privilege.

Mr. BENNETT: The hon. gentleman can make a speech later. There can be no question of privilege in the middle of my remarks.

Mr. SPEAKER: There can be no interruption during the course of an address without the consent of the speaker, unless it is on a question of privilege. The hon. gentleman may speak on a question of privilege.

[Mr. Ilesley.]

Mr. BENNETT: There can be no question of privilege in the middle of my speech. If the hon. gentleman wishes to ask a question I am quite willing that he should do so.

Mr. ILSLEY: I think I have the floor.

Mr. BENNETT: There can be no question of privilege in the middle of my speech.

Mr. SPEAKER: The hon. gentleman must state his question of privilege.

Mr. BENNETT: But he does not state it in the middle of my speech; he raises the point after I have sat down.

Mr. SPEAKER: If he thinks it arises from a statement made by the hon. gentleman surely he is entitled to state his question of privilege.

Mr. BENNETT: But not to interrupt my remarks. Surely, Mr. Speaker, there are certain rules of order which govern debates in this house. I said that if the hon. gentleman desired to ask a question he might do so. He did ask his question and I have answered it.

Mr. ILSLEY: I have been attacked for what I said in St. Catharines, I presume. I am going to state what I said in St. Catharines; it is very simple. My hon. friend has stated that I attacked men of great wealth, and he has said that I intimated that he did not make his money honestly.

Mr. BENNETT: I did not say that.

Mr. ILSLEY: It is a fair inference from what my hon. friend said.

Mr. BENNETT: I did not say that and I submit, Mr. Speaker, that this is not a question of privilege.

Mr. ILSLEY: The hon. gentleman spent several moments trying to establish that he made his money honestly.

Some hon. MEMBERS: Withdraw.

Mr. ILSLEY: I did not accuse the hon. member of not making his money honestly.

Mr. SPEAKER: Order, please.

Mr. ILSLEY: I made no reference to the hon. gentleman personally.

Mr. SPEAKER: Order.

Mr. BENNETT: I did not say that the hon. gentleman had said I made money dishonestly, nor did I intimate it. He attacked members on the front bench.