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They are separate schools, but not denominational schools—3079.

Not one word of protest was entered in the province of Quebec for or against the educational clauses—3304. Willison would not dare to say before him what he has published in his paper since the beginning of this debate—3305. Does Sproule believe French-Canadians are driving English Protestants away?—3306. An evidence of Sproule's honest ignorance—3307. Mr. Bulyea is perfectly satisfied with the Bill as presented by the government—3308. Well to bear in mind two peculiar features of the situation—3309. The lively interest the two Bills have aroused from one end of the country to the other—3310. Why there was a special enactment in the Act of 1870 *re* Manitoba lands—3311. Revenue provided by granting a subsidy in lieu of lands—3312. The new provinces have received generous, liberal treatment from the government—3313. Fails to understand why the educational clauses have aroused such anger—3314. This difficulty is purely a constitutional one—3315. Quotes Mr. Justice Strong on construing the B. N. A. Act—3316. Laurier was right in going back to the origin of clause 93, that he might better interpret it as the basis of this Bill—3317. The authority of the Privy Council that on matters of education the Dominion parliament has authority—3318. Quotes Dalton McCarthy's speech in Winnipeg vs. Barrett—3319. Haultain says what might apply to a province does not apply to a territory—3320. With regard to this Bill the B. N. A. Act of 1867 cannot alone apply—3321. Quotes Gladstone and Lord Salisbury—3322-3. Shows the campaign of vituperation to which the English government was subjected—3324. Quotes Chamberlain on the question of education—3325. The French government which suppressed denominational schools has been itself suppressed—3326. France has no regrets for the teaching given her sons in the old French schools—3327. The opposition to the separate schools seems to be doctrinal—3328. We are told this legislation is an infringement on provincial rights—3329. We, the Liberal party, stand for provincial rights—3330. The lesson of the old gate and the old sundial on Notre Dame street, Montreal—3331. In conclusion, quotes the Primate of England and Mr. Sam. Blake—3332.

I understood him to say that we could not alter the terms of the B. N. A. Act—3440. Explaining that the B. N. A. Act was quite an elastic instrument—3441. I think perhaps Bergeron could not recite the Lord's prayer at the opening of the school—3485.

Does Hughes believe that Salisbury and Gladstone were wrong?—3775. England is the greatest nation in the world in spite of what Hughes says—3776. I spoke in English, but I never used such language as Hughes attributes to me—3777. Does Hughes know that Mr. Finerty belongs to the Clan-na-Gael?—3780. He did not write

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any self-glorifying letters from the battle fields—3784. I am informed that he is a pro-Boer—3796.

Goldwin Smith to-day advocates political union between Canada and the United States—3807. Hughes has lost sight of the little rebellion that took place in Upper Canada—3809.

*Lennox, H. (South Simcoe)—3503.*

Would that statute that was passed then be sufficient to cover the case with which we are now dealing?—3503.

I heard Borden declare that he did not state that it would apply automatically—4098. McCarthy (L. G.) has said that a great many times—4105. I do not recall any such expression being used by R. L. Borden—4106. McCarthy (L. G.) was not giving a fair version or interpretation of the very able argument presented by R. L. Borden—4112. He may have a chance of fame if I talk about him too long, and I think I will leave him to his own meditation—4113. I do not think Mr. Foster will suffer much from the statement of L. G. McCarthy—4114. In a word, this is a question of provincial autonomy in the proper sense—4115. Even Mr. Sproule treated the real question at issue with moderation and patriotism—4116. I will venture to refer to the statement of the Hon. Colin Campbell, which appears in to-day's papers—4117. According to the ablegate there is a broad distinction between the west and Manitoba—4118. Whether or not the representative of the Holy See was interfering unduly with the affairs of Canada—4119. I do point out that there have been some fatal lapses of memory lately—4120. While the thing was fresh in his memory, not Mr. Rogers alone or himself alone, but both drafted the letter and sent it—4121. He was prepared, and his cabinet were prepared, and his followers were prepared to sneer—4122. If the policy of secrecy was abandoned and a policy of communicating to the people what goes on from time to time adopted—4123. The memory of Laurier conflicted with the memory of the two members of the Manitoba cabinet—4136. I am convinced that the country is satisfied that there was an understanding at the time—4137. There is no evidence even that the Bill was submitted to Council before it was introduced into the House—4138. Quotes Mr. Boyd and Mr. Sifton—4139. The evidence shows that there was a desire to stifle an expression of opinion by the people of the west—4140. They did the same thing with regard to the Transcontinental Railway, which was not discussed until the House was in session—4141. I believe it means that a deliberate plan was formed in 1897 to work silently and in the dark—4142. I fought for what I believed to be the constitutional rights of the people of Canada—4143. I fought that fight through and I got a big thrashing, but I received the support of the best men—4144. It