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Referring to the Dunning budget on May 5th, 1930, (see page 1833, Revised Hansard) my right honourable friend spoke as follows:

"The budget insofar as it endeavours to deal with trade preferences within the British Empire, which trade preferences are in reality nothing, is nothing more than mere deception of the body politic; to my mind there can be no doubt with respect to that."

In amendment to go the motion to go into Committee of Ways and Means, my right honourable friend moved an amendment (see page 1835, Hansard May 6, 1930) which described "the proposals submitted by the Minister of Finance on May 1st as "proposals which are deceptive."

Elsewhere in the same debate, my right honourable friend is reported as saying: (page 1833)

"I do not, however, approve of the practice of making that appear to be a preference which in reality is not. . . "

Could any words be found which could more adequately describe the effect of the so-called offer than those I have just quoted?

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