

meaning that I refuse to accept the municipalities that are to be annexed to the county of Bellechasse and that I do not want those people. Our opponents are capable of saying that.

Mr. CASGRAIN (Translation): They can say anything.

Mr. BOULANGER (Translation): Our opponents are experts at misrepresenting our thoughts, words and attitudes. That is the reason why I am anxious to explain my attitude in that regard. We do not refuse to accept them with open arms and open hearts. Whether I or another person is the Liberal candidate at the next election, we will do the best we can to treat those people just as if they had always formed part of the population of the old county. We will do even more; we will treat them with a special regard, goodwill and kindness, in order to make them forget "the great derangement" and "the dispersal."

Mr. POULIOT: I have just a few words to say to conclude. I am glad to see the hon. member for Chateauguay-Huntingdon (Mr. Moore) in the chamber now. I was saying that his silence was contributing a great deal toward enlightening the debate. As for the hon. member for Brome-Missisquoi (Mr. Pickel), he spoke often about the trouble in the dairy industry in his part of the world. That is because they have a pickle in the milk can. To the hon. member for St. Ann (Mr. Sullivan), I say good-bye and I say good-bye and farewell to the hon. member for Shefford (Mr. Tetreault). As for the hon. member for Mount Royal (Mr. White), who is the wise man on the other side of the house, I say: Au revoir and perhaps he will not be a candidate again. To each one of the members of the Conservative party from the province of Quebec I say good-bye and farewell.

Mr. QUINN: They might come back.

Mr. POULIOT: There is a comeback to everything. I say good-bye to my old seat on this side of the house; I say au revoir to the House of Commons and to my old seat on the other side after the next election. After that occurs, whether it be next year or this, if this legislation is not changed, we shall see a change of government and that is why I say farewell to hon. gentlemen opposite from the province of Quebec, except probably the Secretary of State (Mr. Cahan), and why I say au revoir to the House of Commons and to all the members on this side.

Hon. gentlemen opposite who represent Quebec constituencies have a great responsibility because it is with their twenty-five seats that they gave a majority to the government. They have shown no independence; they have been slaves from beginning to end since July 28, 1930. They have shown no independence of character; they have not had the courage to tell the Prime Minister the truth, to give good guidance to him. They have supported him all right, but they have not been columns of light. I do not put into that category some of the front benchers for whom I have great respect and personal liking; but I say this, that if there has been something wrong in the government of this country; if the promises that were made to the electors have not been fulfilled, this is because each one of the Conservative members from Quebec, with the exception of the Secretary of State, have not had the courage to tell the truth to the Prime Minister.

Mr. M. RHEAUME (St. Johns-Iberville) (Translation): Mr. Speaker, I do not want to take up too much time, but I wish to protest on behalf of the people of Lacolle whose municipality forms part of the county of St. Johns since almost 60 years.

The county of St. Johns was created in 1860 and at the time of the gerrymander of 1892, the parishes and village of Lacolle were annexed to the county of Missisquoi. This did not bring luck to the Conservatives who had made that change. Their intention in transferring the people of Lacolle to that county was to secure the election of the Conservative candidate. He was defeated nevertheless. At the time of the redistribution of 1903, the people of the municipality and parishes of Lacolle who previously had been annexed to the county of Missisquoi asked to return to the county of St. Johns. They had a right to make that request because from the standpoint of the county council, two parishes and a rather important village form part of the county of St. Johns, provincially. Yielding to the entreaties of the citizens of the parishes and village of Lacolle, the Liberal party restored them to the county of St. Johns in 1903.

After a lapse of 30 years, the government decides to transfer them to Huntingdon, in order to increase the population of Chateauguay-Huntingdon, where parishes were removed so as to establish a corridor linking Laprairie with Beauharnois. At all events, I am sorry to see them leave, because I had some good friends there, and I am sorry that they will no longer form part of my county, although my majority is not very