

but I do not see why they should go out of their way to defeat an opponent like myself. I should like very much to have a vote on my amendment, as I have heard at least a dozen Conservative members express sympathy with me, and express the opinion that my seat should not be put in danger. I have no fear of not securing my election, but at the same time these changes cut up the riding in a very improper manner. I move:

That the said Bill be not now read a third time, but that it be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions that they have power to amend the same by attaching North Easthope to the electoral district of South Perth.

Amendment (Mr. Trow) negatived on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

Anglin,	Fleming,	Mackenzie,
Bain,	Flynn,	Malouin,
Béchar,	Gillies,	Mills,
Blake,	Gillmor,	Olivier,
Borden,	Gunn,	Paterson (Brant),
Bourassa,	Guthrie,	Pickard,
Brown,	Holton,	Rinfret,
Burpee (St. John),	Huntington,	Rogers,
Burpee (Sunbury),	Irvine,	Rymal,
Cartwright,	Killam,	Scriven,
Casey,	King,	Sutherland,
Casgrain,	Laurier,	Thompson,
Dumont,	McDonald (Victoria, N.S.),	Trow,
Fiset,	Macdonell (Lanark),	Wheler.—42

NAYS:

Messieurs

Amyot,	Grandbois,	Ogden,
Arkell,	Guillet,	Orton,
Bannerman,	Hackett,	Quimet,
Beauchesne,	Haggart,	Pinsonneault,
Benoit,	Hay,	Platt,
Bergeron,	Hilliard,	Plumb,
Bergin,	Homer,	Pope (Compton),
Bill,	Hooper,	Poupore,
Bourbeau,	Hurteau,	Reid,
Bowell,	Jones,	Richey,
Brecken,	Kaulbach,	Robertson (Hamilton),
Bunster,	Kilvert,	Ross (Dundas),
Bunting,	Kirkpatrick,	Rouleau,
Burnham,	Landry,	Routhier,
Cameron (Victoria),	Lane,	Ryan (Montreal),
Caron,	Langevin,	Rykert,
Cimon (Charlevoix),	Lantier,	Scott,
Cimon (Chicoutimi),	Longley,	Shaw,
Colby,	Macdonald (Kings),	Sproule,
Coupal,	Macdonald (Sir John),	Strange,
Coursol,	Macdonald (Cape Breton),	Tellier,
Daly,	Macmillan,	Tilley,
Daoust,	McCallum,	Tupper,
Dawson,	McGuaig,	Tyrwhitt,
Desaulniers,	McDougald,	Valin,
Desjardins,	McLelan,	Vanasse,
Domville,	McRory,	Wade,
Elliott,	Massue,	Wallace (Norfolk),
Farrow,	Merner,	Wallace (York),
Fortin,	Méthot,	White (Cardwell),
Gigault,	Montgenais,	White (Hastings),
Girouard (Jac. Cartier),	Mousseau,	White (Renfrew),
Girouard (Kent),	O'Connor,	Williams.—99.

Mr. MILLS. I wish to propose a motion in relation to other changes made by this Bill. The right hon. gentleman, in moving the second reading of this Bill, declared his object was to establish the principle of representation by population, and make the electoral districts nearly equal in population. I undertook to show that he could not make a very much more equal division than existed in the constituencies included in my motion, without a violation of the principle he laid down in 1872, in reference to maintaining the boundaries of the municipal counties intact. In taking off the township of Romney from the county of Essex and putting it back again in the municipal county of Kent, to which it belongs, the motive may not have been a very excellent one, but the fact itself was capable of defence. I mentioned before, and I state now, that the county of Kent is very inadequately represented by the provisions of this Bill, that while the county of Lambton has two distinct

electoral divisions within its limits, and forms a large proportion of a third and a fraction of a fourth electoral division, Kent has the election of but one representative within its limits, the remaining portions of it being tacked on to adjoining constituencies. If the hon. gentleman were to take the township of Harwich and the village of Blenheim from Kent, as it now stands, there would still remain 20,572 of a population within the limits of that county. The eastern division of Kent might be formed, with a population of nearly 20,000, and within the limits of Kent and Bothwell an electoral division might be formed containing a population of 22,000, which would be a very much more equal division than that which the hon. gentleman has made and which would not interfere with the existing divisions. I beg leave to move:

The the said Bill be not now read a third time, but that it be resolved, that the municipal counties of Kent and Lambton comprise the electoral districts of Kent, Lambton and Bothwell, with a population of 106,344, making for five members an average of 21,268 per member.

That the electoral district of Lambton comprises 42,619, and may properly be divided into two ridings.

That the electoral district of Kent comprises 36,626, and may by the restoration from Bothwell of some of the municipalities of Kent, be divided into two ridings of about 21,000 each, leaving Bothwell with about 21,000.

That the proposed Bill needlessly disarranges the existing organization for Kent and Bothwell; takes from Kent and adds to Bothwell, Chatham and Wallaceburg; takes from Bothwell to add to West Elgin, Oxford, Howard and Ridgetown, and takes from Bothwell to add to West Middlesex, Euphemia.

That the said Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions that they have power to amend the provisions for the representation of Kent, Lambton and Bothwell in Parliament.

Amendment (Mr. Mills) negatived on the following division:—

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Bourbeau,	Hurteau,	Reid,
Bowell,	Jones,	Richey,
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