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*Crocket, O. S.* (York, N.B.)—*Con.*

to show that the original provinces had control of their public lands—4533. Bill contains admission that provinces are entitled to lands—4534. New provinces will occupy the same position in regard to immigration legislation as do the old—4535. Premier justifies withholding one original power by unjustifiable withholding of another—4536. Quotes B. N. A. Act to show that no original jurisdiction was granted to this parliament—4537. Mr. Borden's argument was absolutely conclusive—4538. If parliament can vary B. N. A. Act at all, it can vary every provision—4539. Argues B. N. A. Act applies automatically to new provinces—4540. I think it perfectly plain that this parliament has no power to pass this legislation—4541. This Bill distinctly calls for separate schools—4542. Quotes the premier's answer to Mr. Haultain—4543. Statements made by other ministers, and Clement's 'Canadian Constitution'—4544. There is no justification for parliament attempting to take the people of the Territories by the throat—4545. Clause 16 guarantees the minority in the Northwest the right to have separate schools—4546. Protests against shaping this legislation behind the backs of the constitutional representatives—4547. Quotes Laurier in 1896, when leader of the opposition—4548. And commends the quotation to the House and the country—4549.

*Crawford J.* (Portage la Prairie)—4607.

Would have no objection to the leader of the government visiting any foreign representative of any church or state—4607. Sir Charles Tupper, representative of the Conservatives, received by the Pope—4608. The whole question in a haze as far as the opposition is concerned—4609. If it is not settled properly now, it again disturb Canada from one end to the other in the near future—4610. We propose to continue in the Northwest Territories what they have got—4611. If Roman Catholics want to be separated from Protestants we must respect that feeling—4612. Quotes the 'Christian Guardian'—4612-13-14. Nearly every man of the Orangemen would sign the petitions if he thought it would hurt the Liberal party—4615. Quotes the Orange resolution—4616. People of the country have been deceived in this matter—4617. Conservatives are responsible for the littleness of Manitoba—4618. Questions which have agitated Manitoba—4619. Either we must part with sole control (of the lands) or keep it—4620. Land transactions without any consideration in Manitoba—4621. C. P. R. grant drove thousands of people out of the country. Will support the Bill—4622.

*Demers, L. P.* (St. Johns and Iberville)—3450.

Laurier reminded us that he comes from that part of Canada surnamed the garden of Ontario—3450. This question is one of justice. Justice is not the outcome of human passion, but rather of reason—3451. With a view to find out what rights we

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enjoy, is it not necessary that we should consult history?—3452. Quotes from Storey's book on the American constitution—3452. These provinces were fully organized when they entered confederation, but such was not the case with the Territories—3454. It was stated that the Manitoba Act 'would be and was considered as having been in force,' that it was not void—3455. In this case it is necessary to decide on the terms of the constitution—3456. Under these circumstances, the country faces a conflict of opinions, a difficulty which should be solved by parliament—3457. If section 93 has no application, then it will be contended that section 92 settles the point—3458. Therefore 'province,' 'territory,' 'legislature' and 'assembly' have the same meaning for us inhabitants of Canada—3459. It will not be contended by any one after this that the words 'at the date of union' mean in this case the first of July, 1867—3460. The government itself, through its officers, has declared that the Dominion of Canada had guaranteed that right to the minority—3461. That is the most sacred inheritance. Personal liberty has precedence over provincial rights—3462. As the majority of those twelve counties did not want to change the boundaries of those counties, the majority of the province could not—3463.

That stock may be in the hands of Protestants to-day and in those of Roman Catholics to-morrow—3802. Any stock can be sold to any person—3805. Does Hughes contend that the people of Quebec had then no grievance?—3805-6.

*Derbyshire, D.* (Brockville)—5197.

The discussion, though weary, has not been in vain—5197. The new provinces have accepted this Bill in its entirety—5198. The Manitoba ministers' plot had not even the merit of cleverness—5199. The act of the government in regard to the lands must be approved—5200. Thinks the financial terms are fair—5201. On section 93 they want more light and less noise—5202. The present school system best suited to the needs of the country—5203. What is the trouble with the opposition anyway?—5204. Taylor forgot to say that the educational clauses of this Bill were prepared in Rome—5205. The cope stone has been placed on our union—5206.

*Elson, P.* (East Middlesex)—5100.

Duty of the government to further contentment—5100. Public schools good places to form friendships—5101. The separate school creates discord, irritation and unfriendliness—5102. Firmly convinced the land ought to go to the provinces—5103. The school matter should be left with the provinces to deal with—5104. Quotes the 'Globe'—5105. And a New York despatch on 'the Mormon Revival'—5106. Desires not to see Mormonism allowed in Canada—5107. Should submit this measure to the Privy Council—5108.