

AND WHEREAS this, in the opinion of this Grand Lodge, constitutes an unwarranted invasion of and an effort to dominate the right of free choice of the individual elector;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That this Grand Lodge in regular session assembled condemns such efforts at sectional domination, and warns the ORANGEMEN OF NEWFOUNDLAND OF THE DANGER INHERENT UPON THEM TO USE EVERY EFFORT TO BRING SUCH ATTEMPTS TO NAUGHT."

I CANNOT TOO STRONGLY IMPRESS UPON EACH MEMBER OF OUR ORDER THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS DECISION OF YOUR GRAND LODGE AND THE NECESSITY FOR HIS LOYAL CO-OPERATION.

Yours fraternally,

CHESLEY FILLIER

653.

2828-40

*Mémorandum de la direction de l'information au sous-secrétaire d'État  
aux Affaires extérieures*

*Memorandum from Information Division to Under-Secretary of State  
for External Affairs*

Ottawa, July 27, 1948

We have had a look through the following French-language newspapers — *Le Droit, L'Action Catholique, Le Devoir, Le Canada, Le Soleil, La Patrie* and *Montréal Matin* — during the period from July 24 to July 26. It seems clear that the electoral campaign appears to have taken all the play away from the Newfoundland referendum and we have only been able to discover four editorials, a summary of which is attached.

We are planning to continue this survey and to prepare a more complete compilation which might be sent to offices abroad.

S. F. RAE

[PIÈCE JOINTE/ENCLOSURE]

*Mémorandum de la direction de l'information  
Memorandum by Information Division*

Ottawa, July 27, 1948

FRENCH-LANGUAGE NEWSPAPERS

The electoral campaign which is nearing its climax in the Province of Quebec seems to have pushed the Newfoundland Referendum into the background and only three editorial articles appeared in the French-language press on the outcome of the vote, although all the dailies gave prominence to the news stories of the Plebiscite.