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de Gaulle to come to the rescue. Mr. Harvey reveals that he had known in advance of the Free French plan of occupation. One of his reporters accompanied the expedition. The man's name is Jean LeBret, who is a naturalised Canadian, French-born.

The above is not an editorial, but an interview, which has appeared in the TORONTO STAR.

#### LE SOLEIL

At first sight it would seem logical and prudent and useful that the Free French should take over French possessions in America, but goes on to say that it has evidently embarrassed Washington and Ottawa because of an understanding with Vichy. It says there is evidently a danger of ambiguity (equivogue) on the subject of the double game of the Vichy Government, which has trafficked with Berlin and Washington at the same time. It still continues even after the recall of Admiral Leahy. If Admiral Muselier's clever coup forces the Allies to clear up the confused situation, we shall owe him a double vote of thanks.

#### L'ACTION CATHOLIQUE

"Officially, Washington expresses displeasure. Why? Because the Americans wish to avoid strained relations with Vichy for fear of weakening Petain's position in resisting Hitler. Ottawa washes its hands and officially seems unenthusiastic. Probably everybody is glad, for these French islands, so near to Newfoundland, could easily have got into the hands of the enemy. In any case, 98% of the inhabitants have voted in favour of joining Free France."

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