

AUTONOMY, PROVINCIAL, IN THE NORTH-WEST—*Con.*

*Staples, Wm. D. (Macdonald)—Con.*

map—4313. Will try to explain the circumstance under which that little province started to keep house—4314. This Bill of Rights sets out two things that we as a province have always contended for—4315. Quotes statistics as to the revenue—4316. As our population increases so should our power of providing for the wants of the people—4317. The C. P. R. is a road entirely of a national character in which all the provinces derive benefit—4318. I do think that the province of Manitoba should receive something like similar treatment—4319. Quotes a letter to the Dominion government from Hon. D. H. McMillan—4320. Laurier should go to Manitoba and examine the swamp lands for himself—4321. Quotes Hon. D. H. McMillan as to the value of these lands—4322. Quotes the order in council respecting them—4323. Our schools have been nationalized, we are taking a step in advance and endeavouring to centralize them—4324. Quotes what Laurier had to say in 1898—4324-5. In the readjustment that province should receive an increase by way of allowance for government—4326. It was always intended that the boundaries of Manitoba should be extended—4327. We are asking nothing more than what we are entitled to—4328. I will not cast my vote to shackle these provinces in their educational policy for all time to come—4329.

*Stockton, A. A. (St. John City and County)—5380.*

Cannot give a silent vote—5380. The premier is to blame for this extended discussion—5381. Shall I be called a bigot or fanatic for supporting the amendment?—5382. We should stand solidly within the lines of the constitution—5383. The Bill was intended as a law for the minority—5384. Would like to know who draughted the amended clause—5385. The public should know what the government consider the difference between the two sections—5386. If there be a difference, then a deception is being practised—5387. The Act of 1875 never received the assent of the people of the west—5388. To say the Territories voluntarily accepted separate schools was too strong—5389. No one supposed an attempt would be made to create a province without full equality—5390. The province of New Brunswick has the exclusive power today—5391. The policy of the government is not always uniform in this country—5392. This legislation must produce a crop of discontent, discord and bitter strife—5395.

*Talbot, O. E. (Bellechasse)—3034.*

It was the Jacques Cartier Club who started the movement—3034. Is Sproule aware of any instance in which an English Protestant has been forced to sell his farm?—3035.

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*Talbot, Peter (Strathcona)—4176.*

I maintain that anything that tends to mar the harmony of these new provinces will be injurious to the whole of Canada—4176. I anticipate very little trouble from the clashing of herd laws or the branding regulations—4177. I am convinced that the practical men will be perfectly satisfied to have the land administered by the federal government—4178. I think the west is practically solid in requesting that no change be made in the immigration policy—4179. As far as the financial terms are concerned, the government has treated the new provinces, not only with fairness, but with generosity—4180. If the people of the other provinces understood our school system, there would not be a great deal of opposition—4181. Separate schools will not be formed unless the trustees of a public school try to deprive the minority of their right in this respect—4182. It leaves the secular education with the state and the sectarian education where it belongs—4183. I wish to say further that our system is more thoroughly a national system than even that of the United States—4184. The system we have in force is giving satisfaction, and I believe it is the only practical solution of the question—4185. I believe it to be in the best interests of the west—4186.

*Taylor, George (Leeds)—4896.*

Not one word said on the Conservative side calculated to excite race or religious questions—4896. Laurier would be worth millions to Barnum if he had him—4897. Reads his correspondence with George Clendinnen—4898. He intends to stand by the constitution, as every Orangeman must—4899. He took his political life in his hand and voted for the Jesuit Estate Bill—4900. One of the strongest Orange and Protestant constituencies in Canada returned him—4901. Laurier is coercing the whole bunch in the two new provinces—4902. Liberal candidates in 1896 made declarations before their bishops—4903. Quotes Fitzpatrick in 1897—4904. A great deal covered up in the amended clause—4905. History of the Manitoba question settlement—4906. Sifton, according to common report, made it pay—4907. There was a bargain between the premier and the church—4908. You may talk as you like, but this is simply a game that has been played—4909. Quotes what Mr. Fielding said when he was swallowing himself;—4910. Quotes Mr. Sifton that if the Catholics want anything no government dare refuse it—4911. Quotes 'L'Evenement' to show that the fanatics are Fielding, Sifton and Mulock—4912. The account of the conference between Sir Wilfrid and Sbarretti—4913. Quotes Fitzpatrick in 1897, on the Catholic Church—4914. Is half an hour's religious instruction all the Bill means?—4915. Fielding knows in his inmost heart that the Bill means a great deal more—4916. Sifton will go to England or back to his old job—4917. The amendment means a great deal more