

of the British Empire. If Italians or French want the services of the Catholic Church or any other church they can easily get them, but if they do not want them they have a right to do without them, but I deny absolutely the right of outsiders to try to force any religious yoke on either individuals or nations. I deny their divine rights theories altogether. Let those who want their services pay for them. As national institutions they should be disestablished as soon as the people get wise enough to cease to believe in them. Those who call themselves Nationalists in Quebec are not Nationalists at all as they are composed exclusively of extreme Catholic fanatics.

To the credit of the Irish it must be said that they are true nationalists, as they receive Protestants with open arms and in fact many of their most famous leaders have been Protestants. I take issue with the present Conservative Government of Canada for allowing the Quebec Ultramontanes to conduct a seditious and treasonable campaign to be carried on during war time which is contrary to any precedent found in any country in the world's history during such a crisis as the present. The Quebec agitation could easily have been suppressed in the bud but no effort was made by the Government to stop it. The quarrel between the Greek Church and the Cath-

olic Church in the Balkans started the war and Ultramontane politics in Quebec and Ireland put a wet blanket on recruiting in these places. While I know of no grievance the Catholic Church had in Quebec or Ireland before the war the Empire now has a very just grievance against that institution now and the recent antics of many of the adherents of that Church justified the recent action of France and Italy in curbing their activities in these countries.

If the Irish and French Canadian Catholics had followed the advice of the great Daniel O'Connell 'Take religion but not your politics from Rome', it would have been a wise thing to do.

This pamphlet therefore is not in any sense against the Catholic religion any more than any other religion, but against the present Conservative Government for allowing foreign political issues to be agitated in Canada during War time.

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