

member rises on the floor of this House it shall never be said to him again 'Sit down.' The word belongs to Russia, and we are not a part of Russia. We are a part of the British empire, which I am proud to belong to, and to which I would like to see the policy of the present Prime Minister developed, so that it could be one, united and indivisible, and that is, that Premier Asquith and his government, and Lloyd George, and Winston Churchill, combining with the others, should give to the little Emerald Isle that measure of home rule which we have here to-day and under the aegis of which I speak my sentiments and feelings so freely to-day. Let that government give to Ireland what we have here, and the empire will be all at one, all at peace, all in harmony, and then these forces united with the good will of Canada, with the good will of the South African colonies and Australia, we can afford to stand and look on at the rest of the world carrying on its battles of war one against the other. England then can say to itself 'I am safe at home and I am just as safe abroad.' There is the expression of opinion that I give vent to to-day on behalf of the Canadian people, of ourselves, and on behalf of the British government.

Hon. Mr. ROSS (Halifax)—As an octogenarian, I have the sense to speak when I think I should speak, and I have the sense to be silent when I know I should be silent. This question has expanded to a much larger degree than it should have. The question of the flag is a very simple thing. If the Governor General order the flag to be put up, or if the Premier of Canada orders it to be put up, it will be put up, and if it is not put up I do not think there is a great deal of harm done. We are just as loyal without the flag being put up as we are with it, and I have often said that there has been too much stated about what Canada did in regard to assistance in the South African war. The little colony of New Zealand with about 800,000 inhabitants did more than the whole Dominion of Canada in that war, and they have never made a boast of it. I do not think we have done too much. Perhaps if we examine ourselves more closely we might come to the conclusion

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that we have done too little. The question is, what is before the House?

Hon. Mr. DERBYSHIRE—That is what we would like to know.

Hon. Mr. ROSS (Halifax)—If we have business we should proceed with it in the right way, and if we have no business, then we have no right to be here.

Hon. Mr. DOMVILLE—I should like to say a word, and I am really serious in this matter. I am speaking to the motion of my hon. friend. I hold in my hand the King's regulations, which states on what occasions the Union Jack is to be hoisted.

Hon. Mr. POWER—We do not want to know that.

Hon. Mr. DOMVILLE—The hon. gentleman is not the whole House. I am speaking to the motion for adjournment, and I desire to call attention to the King's regulations which states on what occasions the Union Jack is to be hoisted, and Empire Day is one of those occasions on which that flag should be put up; therefore I take it that Mr. Asquith is not to be congratulated upon the fact that he does not think it proper that the Union Jack should be raised. For my part, with regard to our part in the South African war, I entirely disagree with the statement made by the hon. senior member from Halifax. We sent men from Canada to South Africa and they shed their blood, and all the nobility and the sons of nobility served in Africa, and I do not think that their services should be lightly referred to, or that they should receive a call-down from this House or an expression that we did not consider Canada had done very much.

The motion was declared lost.

LAND TITLES ACT AMENDMENT BILL.

The House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill (113) An Act to amend the Land Titles Act.

(In the Committee.)

Hon. Mr. LOUGHEED—Before the hon. Secretary of State proceeds with this Bill, may I point out to him that this Act has been repealed as to the new provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan.