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MR. M. C. CAMERON'S SPEECH

ON THE

BOUNDARIES OF ONTARIO.

HOUSE OF COMMONS,

TUESDAY, 4th April, 1882.

Mr. CAMERON (South Huron). I think, Mr. Speaker, it was not in good taste for the hon. gentleman who has just taken his seat to lecture my hon. friend from Bothwell (Mr. Mills) as to the way in which he dealt with Judge Johnson. Judge Johnson is still in the land of the living, and able to answer for himself. The hon. gentleman himself, about ten minutes before, undertook to cast an unwarranted and unjustifiable reflection upon one of the ablest and best Judges that ever graced the Bench of Ontario, who is now in his grave and unable to answer for himself. He ventured to tell us that the able paper of the late Chief Justice Draper, upon the claims of the Hudson's Bay Company to the territory now in question, was the statement and argument of an advocate—a paid advocate—

Mr. DAWSON. Allow me to contradict the hon. gentleman. I said nothing about a paid advocate, and I cast no reflections, and meant no reflections, upon Mr. Justice Draper, a gentleman for whom I always entertained the highest esteem, and I entertain now the highest regard for his memory.

Mr. CAMERON. I do not know the amount of respect the hon. member entertains for the memory of the late Chief Justice Draper. All I know is that the hon. member, in my hearing, did cast reflections on the honesty and integrity of a Judge who, he said, was an advocate. Why was he an advocate? And why should the hon. gentleman speak of him as an advocate except that this House and the country might be led to believe that very little reliance could be placed upon his opinions, and it was possible he might have advanced claims more than he was justi-

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