



### AWFUL PROFANITY.

SCENE—Ottawa, during the session.

YOUNG CANADIAN—"Say, Billy, there's another o' them long-haired French members—let's holler. (Both, ff.) Johnnie, get your hair cut! hair cut! hair cut!"  
(Disgust of Hon. Achille Henri Hector Marie de Bellechasse, M.P.)

May 12th.

Sixteen bills introduced.

Sir John Thompson's Bill to Codify Criminal Law of Canada, read first time. Measure about size of Encyclopaedia Britannica.

Mr. Perry (P.E.I.) said present mail steamboat service between Island and mainland wouldn't do. Government must build tunnel.

Mr. Davies backed him up. Sir John and Sir High Commissioner had given pledges for the tunnel.

Hon. Mr. Tupper regretted bad service. Not his fault, however. Mr. Laurier had also given pledges about tunnel. Hoped the P.E.I. folks would get it.

Hon. Mr. Haggart said P. O. Department did only small business with P.E.I. and so it wouldn't pay to spend much money over it.

Mr. Perry said Government was trying to starve P.E.I. but they had potatoes, pork, beef and eggs there and could defy their foes.

House adjourned.

May 13th.

Mr. McCarthy introduced Bill to knock out Official French and Separate Schools in North-West Territories. Cries of treason, murder, etc., from Quebec members. Read first time.

Sir H. Langevin casually mentioned, in reply to question, that Government were building a canal in County of Soulanges, Quebec. 'Twould only cost \$4,800,000.

Hon. Mr. Foster, replying to Doc. Landerkin, said yes, Sir High Commissioner had received in cold cash in 1890, \$25,970.

Doc. wanted to know if Sir High Commissioner's pay went on while he was booming things here in election with Sol White, "an avowed annexationist." Foster said question contained allegations of fact and he would not answer allegator.

Mr. Perry moved for particulars as to fishermen's bounties. Said it looked fishy that payments had been made earlier than usual this year—just before the election.

Hon. Tupper said 'twas mere coincidence. Perry shouldn't carp at Government herring on virtue's side. Motion carried.

Sir Cartwright wanted to know, you know, *when* those all-fired papers re reciprocity negotiations would be brought d. wn.

Sir John Thompson said soon as possible, if not previously before.

Foster promised estimates on Friday, or Monday, or along about there somewhere. Didn't say when Budget speech will be spouted.

Adjourned.

May 14th.

House sat two hours.

Weather not yet hot enough for long sessions. Lot of questions asked and answered more or less politely. Divers and sundry motions for divers and sundry papers.

Sir John not yet well enough to be in his place.

May 15th.

More questions asked—some of 'em ticklish. Answers given; all of 'em judicious. Sir John and Mr. Laurier still absent. House sat about two hours. No business done worth mentioning.

Committee on Privileges and Elections organized and curtain rung up on McGreevey case.

Sing a song of sixpence.

Some one's got to smart,

Several politicians

Baked into a Tarte;

When the Tarte is opened

And the Committee sits,

Won't it be a dainty dish

To set before the Grits?

### WORDS, WORDS, WORDS!

FROM the silver tongue of orator enraptured with his theme, At the Federation meeting we first heard the sentence roll, (And the sentence caught our fancy, so striking it did seem),  
"We are going to weld the Empire into one harmonious whole."

When the grovelling Canadian says his taxes are too high,  
There's an easy way to squelch him so that he will cease his growl;

We have just to wave before him the grand old flag and cry,  
"We are going to weld the Empire into one harmonious whole!"

When he raises his objections—as such sordid creatures will—  
To the rule of the "Protected" who are living on his dole,  
His treasonable sentiments we very quickly still  
With "We're going to weld the Empire into one harmonious whole."

When he talks of trading freely with our neighbors to the south,  
And sighs for cheaper sugar, cheaper cotton, cheaper coal,  
We crush him in an instant and make him shut his mouth  
With "We're going to weld the Empire into one harmonious whole."

Tho' Liberal and Tory in our distant mother-land  
Don't seem to share the ardor of the "great Colonial soul,"  
And, though the phrase means nothing, we will keep it still on hand,  
"We are going to weld the Empire into one harmonious whole."

### THOROUGHLY FINISHED.

"MOST of the streets in the suburbs present such an unfinished appearance," remarked the stranger travelling in the West End.

"Here is one at least that is thoroughly completed," replied Beeswax.

"Which?"

"Why, Dunn Avenue."