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Our prices in comparison with the value given, have no equal. This is proved by our extensive business dealings with the ladies of Victoria.

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COLONELS TALK ON NAVY PLANS

New Brunswick Liberal Member Wants to See an Indomitable on Pacific Coast to Head Fleet of Canada

COLONEL SAM HUGHES LIVENS UP DEBATE

Doubts Loyalty of Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Describes Present Bill as Blow at Interests of Empire

OTTAWA, Feb. 17.—There was an airing of British loyalty and a condemnation of imperial duty in the speech of Col. H. H. McLean... Col. Hughes alluded at length to the past record of the present premier.

FREED OF TOLLS

A decision of very great interest to the lower Mainland and which will be received with general satisfaction by the communities of that important section of British Columbia has just been reached by the Provincial Government...

GERMAN TRADE WILL BE HELPED

View Taken in Fatherland of Agreement for Removal of Surtax—Advantages Enjoyed by German Exporters

OPINIONS EXPRESSED BY LONDON PAPERS

Trade Conventions Arranged by Canada Will Stand in the Way of General Scheme of Inter-Empire Preference

LONDON, Feb. 17.—"Capitulation of Germany." "Canada's Tariff Victory." It is with headlines like these that the Canadian-German convention is announced here today.

RABIES IN ONTARIO

Condition of Affairs in Western Part of Province Grows More Alarming

TORONTO, Feb. 17.—Reports from Western Ontario indicate that the outbreak of rabies is assuming alarming proportions. Isaac Tetroy, an Elgin county farmer, has had to destroy a valuable bull and two horses which were bitten by a mad dog.

FIERCE FIGHTING IN GERMAN CITY

Suffrage Demonstrators in Frankfurt Come into Collision With Police—Many Are Wounded on Both Sides

FRANKFURT-ON-THE-MAINE, Feb. 17.—Severe street fighting occurred late tonight between the police and suffragists and a large number were wounded on both sides.

New Steel and Coal Official

HALIFAX, Feb. 17.—The announcement was made at Glace Bay that D. H. McDougall, superintendent of mines of the Steel and Coal company, has been appointed assistant general manager from this date.

Miners Fall 800 Feet

NEWTON, Kansas, Feb. 17.—Tipped out of an overturned mine bucket, two laborers in the Taylor mine of the New Jersey Zinc Company here, fell eight hundred feet to the bottom of the shaft today, and were dashed to death. It is not known what caused the bucket to overturn.

District Attorney Censured

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 17.—Declaring that District Attorney Fickler had not shown a disposition to prosecute the trial of Patrick Calhoun in good faith, Judge Wm. P. Lawlor today intimated in open court that the case might be taken out of the hands of the district attorney.

Col. Roosevelt in England

LONDON, Feb. 17.—Former President Roosevelt will deliver the Romanes lecture at Oxford university on May 18. This is his only engagement in England, but he is promised a busy time if he accepts all of the invitations extended. King Edward will entertain him at Buckingham Palace, and functions at which Mr. Roosevelt will be a guest.

Swaps Case Again

KANSAS CITY Mo. Feb. 17.—John G. Paxton in a sensational answer filed in the circuit court at Independence Mo., today accused Dr. C. G. Hyde of bad faith in trying to secure evidence in his (Paxton's) possession, "tending to the answer read, 'to prove that the plaintiff murdered by the administration of poison Thomas Swops and also attempted to poison Margaret Swops, and by the same kind of treatment had communicated to the members of the Swops family typhoid fever.'"

DRESS GOODS

Bargains for Today

- STRIPED SATIN CLOTHS, in Brown, Green, and Navy. Reg. 75c for 45c
EMPRESS CLOTHS AND TWEEDS, Striped, in all colors. Reg. \$1 for 65c
FANCY STRIPED SUITINGS, in all colors, 50 inches wide. Regular \$1.35 and \$1.50 for . . . . . 95c
HARRIS HOMESPUNS AND HEAVY TWEEDS, suitable for rainy-day skirts. Regular \$1.50 for . . . . . 75c

Odd Lines of Dress Trimmings At Half Price.

HENRY YOUNG & CO.

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FIT-REFORM The Blending of Style and Value in Spring Suits

Fit-Reform has made its greatest success among those whose wardrobe formerly cost them almost double what it does now. The warmest friends that Fit-Reform has are those who are most particular and exacting about the garments they buy.

A WINNING WAY The way we have been knocking down prices—with us low figures always prevail

Our Special Bargain This Week MORTON'S ENGLISH JAM, 2 tins . . . . . 25c DIXI H. ROSS & CO. THE INDEPENDENT GROCERS

THE NICKELS AND DIMES COUNT

- CHIVER'S ENGLISH MARMALADE—1-lb. glass jar 15c
CHIVER'S STRAWBERRY OR RASPBERRY JAM— 2 x 1-lb. glass jar . . . . . 35c
PURE NEW ZEALAND JAM—4-lb. tin . . . . . 50c
FRESH ROASTED PEANUTS—Per lb. . . . . 15c
MANITOBA ROLLED OATS—20-lb. sack . . . . . 90c
FRESH AUSTRALIAN BUTTER—3 lbs. for . . . . . \$1.00
FRESH INDEPENDENT CREAMERY BUTTER— 3 lbs. for . . . . . \$1.00
PURE LARD, Wild Rose Brand—3-lb. tin . . . . . 60c
CALGARY RISING SUN BREAD FLOUR— Per sack . . . . . \$1.75
SUNKIST ORANGES—Per dozen, 25c and . . . . . 35c
FRESH FINNAN HADDIE—Per lb. . . . . 12c
MEDIUM SIZED NAVAL ORANGES—Per dozen . . . . . 10c
ESQUIMALT OYSTERS—Per tin . . . . . 50c
GENUINE MELTON MOWBRAY PORK PIES— Each 6oc and . . . . . 40c
COOKING APPLES—5 pounds for . . . . . 25c

PATRONIZE THE ONLY INDEPENDENT STORE. Copas & Young Anti-Combine Grocers. CORNER FORT AND BROAD STREETS. Phones 94 and 95.

Our Hobby Again Proud of our fine All-Wool English Shawl Rug: a large consignment just arrived. The appearance of your turnout would appeal to the close observer if it was equipped with one of these, or one of Chase's Genuine Mohair Rugs.

WOULD EXCLUDE ALL ORIENTALS

Socialist Leader Would Empower Trustees to Refuse Admission to the Public Schools

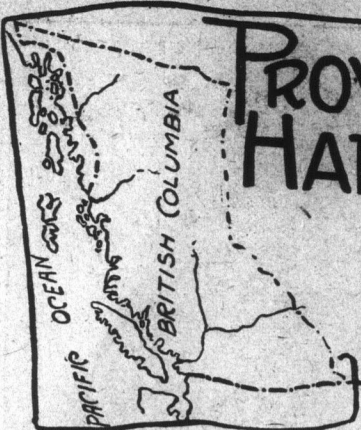
WEIRD AMENDMENTS PROPOSED FOR ACT

Mr. Brewster Slightly Inconsistent in His Suggestions for Changes in the Liquor Act—Legislature in Committee

Beyond a little cross-firing in committee on the liquor bill and in connection with the proposal of Mr. Hawthorthwaite to provide for separate schools for Orientals (this interesting suggestion being advanced when the School Act amendment bill was in committee) there was little in Friday's session of the legislature to give it prominence, an uneventful week closing quite uneventfully.

The object of his motion, Mr. Hawthorthwaite explained, was if possible to compel the government to provide separate schools for Orientals in this province. He had waited in the expectation that the bill would be passed by the House of Commons in the month of January, but as it was apparently the intention to go through with the bill without such necessary improvement, he had brought forward the amendment as he and his supporters were desirous of getting the views of the House on this important question.





PROVINCIAL HAPPENINGS

Waterworks plant has been ordered for Aldermere, on the Skeena. Cranbrook Masons expect to occupy their new temple next month. The dog poisoner is working havoc among the best hunters of Cranbrook. Herring are running freely at Prince Rupert. Vancouver has now a Scandinavian weekly newspaper, the 'Svenska Vancouver Posten'.

Revelstoke is devising means to special tax travelling realty salesmen. Revelstoke will in future pay its mayor a annual salary of \$500. Lady Smith's Citizens League has decided upon an energetic campaign of advertising. Rosland has approved Provincial ownership of telephone services in British Columbia.

Coyotes are very numerous this winter in the vicinity of Okanagan Falls. Princeton is petitioning to be made a customs sub-port. Rosland's total appropriations for the year total \$28,000. Residents of Merritt have decided that the time is inopportune for incorporation.

SUGGESTS PLAN OF COMPROMISE

Writer in German Paper Urges Agreement With Great Britain Partitioning the World's Trade

(By Bernard Fischer) BERLIN, Feb. 12.—The 'Rheinischer Westphalian Gazette,' publishes a letter from 'a well-informed politician' who, following in the footsteps of the Kreuz Zeitung, advocates the conclusion of an agreement with England...

ROSE PRUNING

By James Simpson

In the Colonist of February 13 article on the above subject by E. Critchley a previous article on the same subject. To take his article as says the climate of the east of Scotland is much colder and the spring more severe than here. I remember at Crawford Priory, the seat of Glasgow, in Fifeshire, about the year 1860...

The Importance of Tree Spraying

The time has come when tree spraying is one of the most important and essential things to do in fruit farming, for the production of a clean, healthy fruit. In years gone by, most farmers were satisfied to rely on the production of fruit without paying much attention to the care of the trees.

FRIENDS MYSTIFIED

Absent from the city for nearly two weeks, his friends anxious for his safety, and their appeals to the authorities without result. The whereabouts of the missing man is giving cause for alarm.

BRITISH SOCCER FOOTBALL RESULTS

The results of yesterday's British football fixtures are as follows: Cup Ties: Queen's Park Rangers, 1; West Ham United, 1; Leyton, 0; Tottenham Hotspur, 1; Coventry, 1; Nottingham Forest, 1; Aston Villa, 1; Manchester City, 2; Everton, 2; Sunderland, 0; Barnsley, 1; West Bromwich, 0; Newcastle United, 1; Blackpool, 1; Bradford City, 1; Bolton Wanderers, 1; Chelsea, 2; The Wanderers, 1; Manchester United, 1; Liverpool, 4; Sheffield Wednesday, 0; Notts County, 0; Bristol City, 3; Preston North End, 0.

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In Every Department Will Be Found New Goods of Unusual Interest and at Prices That Compel Attention

## All the Glory of Spring Correctly Reflected in This Vast Dress Goods and Silks Gathering

Have you had the pleasure of seeing the New Spring Designs in Dress Goods? The splendid showing which is at present being displayed in our Government Street windows is a most worthy one, indeed, and is one which will at once appeal to all lovers of "Dress Goods Beautiful." In this showing will be found a large number of exquisite designs in armures, diagonals, new plaids, ottoman suitings, fancy stripe serges, queen cloths, Alexandria cloths, etc.—all of which are of the highest standards of quality—a feature for which the Spencer Store is noted for in its dress goods and silk sections—and, speaking of silks, the assortment is the largest shown in B. C., and, we venture to say, as large as any shown in the largest stores of eastern centres. These silks have all been very carefully selected by our own buyer, and are to be had at the lowest price possible for silks of high quality.

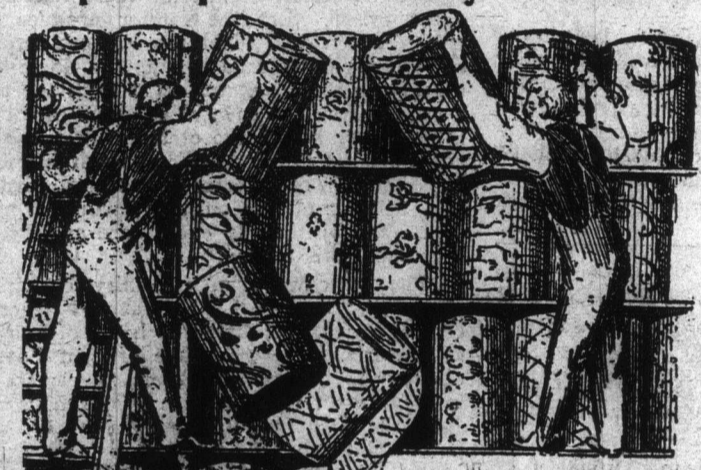
### New Dress Fabrics---A Special Showing

Stripe Armure Suiting, 44 in. ....	\$1.00	Fancy Stripe Serge, 42 in. ....	85¢
Fancy Stripe Herringbone, 52 in. ....	\$1.50	Stripe Satin Cloth, 52 in. ....	\$1.00
Diagonal Suiting, 48 in. ....	\$1.00	French Cashmere Serge, 48 in. ....	\$1.50
Cashmere Homespun, 52 in. ....	\$2.00	Queen Cloth, 75c, \$1.00 and .....	\$1.25
New Shepherd Plaid, 52 in. ....	\$1.25	Alexandra Cloth, 44 in. ....	\$1.50
New Plaid, 44 in. ....	75¢	Black Dress of every description in stock.	
Ottoman Suiting, 44 in. ....	\$1.50		

### New Silks for Spring at Popular Prices

Mademoiselle Paillette, in all the leading colors, seaweed green, copper, wisteria, Persian blue, and heron. 39 in. wide .....	\$1.75	New French Tussock Silk, a nice heavy natural corded silk, very suitable for ladies' coats. 32 in. Per yard, \$1.35 and .....	\$1.25
Color Peau de Soie, in all colors and black. Special, per yard .....	90¢	Natural Pongee, \$1.35 to .....	.35¢
Color Bengaines, in all colors. 28 in. wide. Per yard .....	\$2.50	Printed Liberty Silk, for dress, fast colors, in large variety of floral and stripes .....	.75¢

### Carpet Dept. Offers Many Substantial Savings



It only remains for you to see and examine the high quality, then look at the price ticket, to decide on selecting your Carpets at this store. The unquestionable quality of carpets, and at the low price which they are offered at the Spencer Store, makes it imperative that you should purchase your carpet needs here. Call in and examine them Monday. You'll be glad you did it.

### Tapestry Rugs at All Prices

Size 2 1/4 x 3, in rich fawn colorings. Price .....	\$6.75
Size 2 1/4 x 3 yards, in green and fawn grounds, rich, bright colorings. Price .....	\$5.90
Size 3 x 3, in a large variety of designs and colorings. Price .....	\$8.50
Size 3 1/2 x 4, rich fawn ground, also greens and crimson. Prices \$13.75 to .....	\$20.00

### Axminster Carpets, per yd., \$2.15

Axminster Carpets, in a very large range. These are without exception the finest lot of carpets we have ever handled and comprise some of the very best designs that have been made, are the latest styles and colorings, in floral and Indian designs. These carpets give a very soft, pleasing effect, and are well adapted for drawing and dining-room. Per yard, \$3.25, \$2.15

### Very Exceptional Indeed Are the Values for Monday in Fine Prints at 15c

750 PIECES DRESS MADRAS AND PRINTS, 36 inches wide, a very exceptional width for this class of goods. They come in short lengths of 5 to 15 yards; all of the very best washing colors are represented, and hundreds of patterns to select from. They are worth 20c and 25c per yard. Special for Monday, per yd. 15c

### New Taffeta Silk Moirette Skirts

We have just opened up a new shipment of Taffeta Silk Moirette Underskirts. This is a new finish in silk warp. It will not cut or split in the folds, and will retain its appearance, which is a bright silk moirette. Taffeta silk moirette rustles and does not lose its rustle after being worn. It has the swish and rustling effect that heretofore has only been obtained in very expensive taffetas. Prices range from .....

**\$2.00**

### Ladies' Covert Coats at \$6.75

This season the Covert Coat will be greatly in evidence, and the styles shown here are decidedly smart. The tailoring speaks volumes for the manufacturers of these lines, and for Monday we are offering a special line in tan shades at .....

**\$6.75**

### Many Charming Effects to Be Seen in the New Costumes

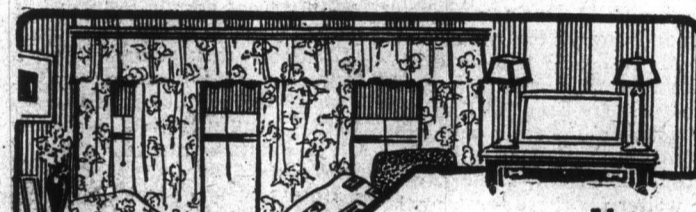
The Women's Suit Department is a most interesting place. The new suits which we are showing are being greatly admired, there is plenty of snap to them without being extreme, the change from last season's styles being most pronounced, coats being hip length, while the skirts are in the new pleated effects. Prices from \$75.00 to .....

**\$25.00**

### Ladies' Lawn Waist at \$1.00

Fine White Lawn Waists, made in open front style, has embroidered front with wide box-pleat of embroidery insertion down centre, also has three shoulder tucks, which give the desired fullness across the bust. New full length sleeves and back finished with one-half inch tucks. Tucked collar and cuffs edged with lace. All sizes. Special .....

**\$1.00**



### New Drapery Materials Shown Here in Abundance

"Homelike" is the word which describes the pleasing appearance of a room, if in the making of window hangings, corner seats, etc., a nice piece of Art Drapery is used, for instance, in the dining-room, a cosy window seat prettily cushioned and curtained with any of the new goods we are showing, lends an added charm to be enjoyed by friends as well as the family. We have just received a splendid assortment, priced very modestly by the yard, which can be made up at home.

### Venetian Scrim for Draperies, 36 inches Wide, at 25c

Included in this beautiful assortment are about eighteen or twenty different designs, every one a pleasing one, in conventional designs, which will be admired the minute you set eyes on them. The width is 36 in., while the quality is of a highly commendable sort. By the yard, to be made up at home .....

**25¢**

### Casement Cloths, 36 in. Wide, 25c

A lovely assortment is shown in Casement Cloths in our Drapery Department, third floor. It is a showing of real merit. Not only are the designs beautiful, but they will at once win your admiration, and will cause instant buying enthusiasm as soon as you see them. Per yard .....

**25¢**

### Cretonnes of All Kinds at, per yard, 20c

Cretonnes of every description are shown here in beautiful floral effects, pale blues with white grounds, reds, purples, in fact cretonnes to meet every purpose desired, and considering the excellent quality are of rare value. Price, per yard .....

**20¢**

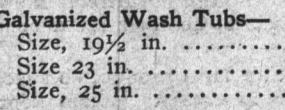
## Housewares Section Values Which Are Well Worthy of Special Mention

Our Housewares Section, situated in the Annex, is a place where all economists can make a substantial saving. Small articles with large articles are marked at little prices—a feature which is paramount in the Spencer Store. Note these:

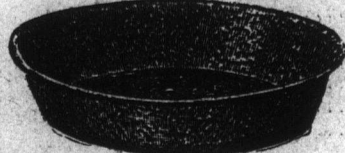


Galvanized Garbage Cans, with lid and handle. A specially useful article. Price .....

**\$1.50**



Galvanized Wash Tubs—Size 19 1/2 in. .... 75c  
Size 23 in. .... 85c  
Size, 25 in. .... \$1.00



Tin Milk Pans—14 inch .....

**15c**

12 1/2 inch .....

**10c**

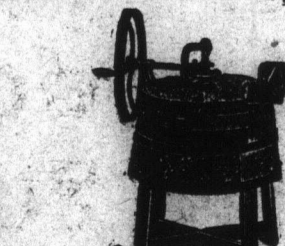
Pudding Pans, extra lined, at 35c, 30c, 20c and .....

**15c**



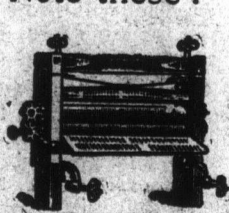
Rochester Coffee Pots, is made of solid copper, heavily nickled, simple to operate. Ask for folder; it gives full directions. 3-pint size is .....

**\$2.50**



Washing Machine, same as shown above, with fly wheel, good varnished wood. Today .....

**\$6.50**

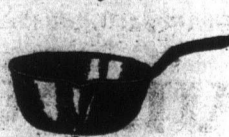


Tinned Wire Soap Baskets, each 50 .....

**10c**

Wire Teapot Stands, each .....

**5c**



Sauce Pans, lipped in retinned style. 1 1/2 pint size .....

**10c**

1 qt. size .....

**10c**

1 1/2 qt. size .....

**10c**

2 qt. size .....

**15c**

3 qt. size .....

**20c**

4 qt. size .....

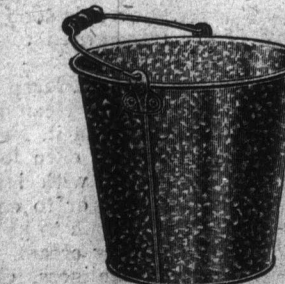
**20c**

5 qt. size .....

**25c**

6 qt. size .....

**30c**



Galvanized Buckets, just the kind to stand hard usage, specially strong, at 50c, 40c, 35c and .....

**25c**

Enamelled Kettles—9 qt. size .....

**\$1.35**

8 qt. size .....

**\$1.25**

7 qt. size .....

**\$1.00**

6 qt. size .....

**75c**

3-pint size .....

**60c**

Daisy Tin Kettles—3-pint size .....

**25c**

Superior Quality Pants Hangers. These have well finished wooden clamps and are an exceptional bargain. Each .....

**20c**

Gift and Silver Picture Wire, 25 yard coils for .....

**10c**

Wire Soap and Brush Holder, each .....

**10c**

Oil Cans, galvanized body. Special price .....

**30c**

Dippers, lined, 10c and .....

**5c**

Wire Sponge Baskets, useful size each .....

**15c**

Tinned Wire Holder for tumbler and 7 toothbrushes each .....

**25c**

Wringers—We have an extra large stock of very reliable wringers. The prices range from .....

**\$2.75**

Tinned Wire Soap Baskets, each 50 .....

**10c**

Wire Teapot Stands, each .....

**5c**

Egg Whisks, spoon shape, each .....

**5c**

Strainer Spoons, useful for poaching eggs, each .....

**15c**

Wire Potato Masher, 15c and .....

**10c**

Wire Broilers, three sizes, 6 in., 8 1/4 in. and 11 in. ....

**80c**

Wire Broiler, heavy make, 9 x 10 1/4 in. ....

**30c**

Wire Broiler, for hotel use, 13 x 18 in. ....

**65c**

Nickle Towel Airers, 3 arms .....

**15c**

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### NOT TO EXTEND BOUNTY SYSTEM

Finance Minister Indicates That Iron and Steel Industries Will Not Be Conceded a Prolongation

### CONTINUE DEBATE ON NAVY QUESTION

Member for Frontenac Objects to Habit of Consulting Feelings of Quebec in Matters Affecting Empire

OTTAWA, Feb. 23.—In the House today C. Boyce questioned Mr. Fielding, who is the acting leader, as to whether there was any legislation proposed with a view of renewing the bounties on iron and steel. The answer of the Finance Minister was that at the present moment the Government had no intention of extending the bounties. There have been rumors frequently that there would be a prolongation of the bounty system so far as these particular industries are concerned, and Mr. Fielding's speech in presenting the Budget lent color to that assumption.

The debate on the naval bill was continued today. Dr. Edwards, of Frontenac, accused Sir Wilfrid Laurier of being concerned in a plot for the dismemberment and disintegration of the Empire. Never had a statesman in the Empire occupied such an unenviable position, and he described the Premier as "the lightning change political artist of North America." This characterization caused laughter and applause, which was renewed when Dr. Edwards referred to Sir Wilfrid's policy in Quebec as "not one ship, not one gun," and in Toronto, "we must hold England was threatened." Dr. Edwards stated his amusement at the gallant efforts of Ralph Smith to recoup the negatives and positive messages of the Premier. "These efforts," he declared, "would give a hangover to a snake. Sir Wilfrid had added at the present time was like the spirit of Mahomet, hanging between heaven and hell, and fit for neither place."

Anti-Imperialism Dr. Edwards went on to criticize the attitude of some of the French Canadian and English political leaders towards the Empire. Time and time again the impression had been created that there was a sentiment against Imperialism in Quebec which was to be combatted whenever any national question was raised. They had been warned in the past to be very careful in treating questions which might tread on the toes of the good people of that province. Even the good British province of Manitoba had been informed that she must be content to remain a postage stamp province until she bowed the knee, if not the heart, to Quebec. Dr. Edwards reminded Quebec that Canada had people of English, Scotch, Irish and Welsh origin but the important thing to be recalled was in the mind of the Government was: "What will Quebec say?" Other provinces could be fooled as usual, but Dr. Edwards recognized in the French Canadians an intelligent and energetic section of the people. Their intelligence could not be questioned when it was remembered that if they were not really loyal it was because of the doctrines which had been rammed down their throats by their leaders on the Government side of the House.

Yesterday, added Dr. Edwards, Mr. Rivert of Hochelaga had challenged any one to point a finger at Quebec and say that the province was disloyal. The member for Frontenac was prepared to give evidence to show that there was an anti-British sentiment in that province. He would place that sentiment where it really belonged. The policy of separation from the Empire had been preached in Quebec. Public money had been utilized for booze to foster the feeling, and it was preached not only on the platform but in subsidized books.

Mr. Toy, (Dorchester): "Where is there any harm done?" Dr. Edwards: "The wrongdoing is the preaching of the doctrine of separation from the Empire." Mercier's Course. Dr. Beland asked if Dr. Edwards was aware that Mercier got \$10,000 from the English province of Ontario when Toronto university was destroyed by fire.

Dr. Edwards replied that he did not know anything about that. He knew, however, that Mercier had preached sedition and treason. While he was dealing with the past utterances of the Wilfrid Laurier in favor of an independent Canada, Dr. Edwards was interrupted by Dr. Paquet of L'Islet, who asked: "Are the French Canadians today not loyal to the British Crown?" Dr. Edwards replied that he had said nothing which would cast any reflections on the loyalty of the people of that province, and he declined to permit any member, no matter on which side of the house he might sit, to pervert his language. He added that the people of Quebec had more reasons to be grateful for British diplomacy and institutions than any other province.

Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux evidenced the loyalty of the French Canadian during the South African war, the postmaster-general adding that he himself had a brother that straggled. "But," retorted Dr. Edwards, "we have the people of Canada to thank and not the government, the Canadian, and want the defence of the Empire."