

Mr. SPROULE. Does your church not prohibit it?

Mr. BUREAU. I am not talking about my church, I am talking about the organization he addressed this circular to.

Mr. SPROULE. May I ask him this question. If the church prohibits it and if the Orange order prohibits it, then if there is inhumanity on the one side there must be inhumanity on the other.

Mr. BUREAU. We make no appeal to the Catholic church in this Bill. The hon. gentleman has not seen any circular coming from the province of Quebec in opposition to this Bill, except the petition in favour of the Bill that was sent by the Jacques Cartier Club of Montreal, a Tory organization, and sent out from the headquarters of Toryism in the province of Quebec. I do not blame any hon. members on the other side for exercising their right; the organizers of their party in the province of Quebec did it to harm the government. I read this circular to show that if there is any agitation today, it comes from that side, with the object of embarrassing the government, of binding the people to the real issues of the case, thinking by that means that they will be able to get into power. Let us read further:

The efforts made in 1896 to compel Manitoba to grant separate schools nearly drove the people of that province to rebellion.

Now I think that statement is not justified. I lived in the province of Manitoba in those days, and there could not be a more peaceful people than they were. Of course, the minority wanted their rights; but there is a vast difference between people going to the courts to get their rights, to get justice, and engaging in rebellion.

Mr. SPROULE. May I ask him if he ever read what the ex-Minister of the Interior said in the county of Haldimand when he said that if the Remedial Bill was persisted in it would drive the people to rebellion?

Mr. BUREAU. I am not here to analyse what the ex-Minister of the Interior said, I am here to look the plain facts in the face. I am not here to quote statements from every Tom, Dick and Harry, but to inquire into facts.

Mr. SAM. HUGHES. Will the hon. gentleman endorse the statement of the hon. member for Labelle (Mr. Bourassa) to this effect, that the people of Manitoba should have gone into rebellion at that time? And he repeated it half a dozen times in his speech.

Mr. BUREAU. If the hon. member for Victoria and Haliburton (Mr. Sam. Hughes) says that, I shall have to accept his statement, because the rules of the House com-

pel me to. But let me tell him that I do not sympathize with him when he says that he is going to shoulder his musket, and start out with a big drum, calling upon the people to follow him, that he will lead them to victory, as he did in South Africa.

I do not sympathize with that. I do not think that it is patriotic. I do not think that is loyalty. I think the hon. gentleman ought to sit down in the town of Lindsay and write such articles in his paper as will bring peace and enlightenment to the people of Ontario. He ought to counteract the effect of the Toronto papers—the 'World,' the great organ of the hon. member for South York (Mr. Maclean). He bows; I am glad he does. He ought to counteract the effect of the 'Mail and Empire' and those other papers published in the city of Toronto. Of course, they claim that they are right; they may be, but we claim they are wrong. We claim that you cannot, by fanning the fires of passion, bring reason and sound judgment to the people. If my hon. friend from Labelle said that, all I can say is that I do not believe in rebellion. I believe in peaceful rebellion, I believe in a man standing up in this House or anywhere else and claiming his privileges, but as far as shouldering his musket is concerned I do not believe in that at all. They may blame our system of separate schools. We may lack in that respect, but that is a thing they do not teach there. Of course they may have a bad habit of going too far back as my hon. friend from Dundas (Mr. Broder) has said, to find examples, but, when it comes to appealing to the musket, the pistol or the sword, as the hon. member for Victoria and Haliburton (Mr. Hughes) does, we are not taught that.

Mr. SAM. HUGHES. And the Prime Minister?

Mr. BUREAU. No, the Prime Minister can only handle justice and equity. The Prime Minister can handle the minority and give them their dues. The Prime Minister will never talk musket or rebellion to get a political advantage out of it. It has been charged in this House by the hon. member for Beauharnois (Mr. Bergeron)—of course these remarks are a little disconnected, but when interruptions are made we have to answer them—that we are making a fight one way in Quebec and the other way in Ontario. I desire to deny that entirely. The Prime Minister has always had one line of conduct and one policy and one measure for all concerned be it in Ontario or Quebec. I deny most emphatically this double game that we are charged with, and I would say that on the contrary the statement refers to the speeches delivered and the practices followed by hon. gentlemen opposite. I will now continue my little circular. I have a great liking for this little circular. It tells a lot when you analyse it.

I would suggest that every member of our order lend a helping hand to prevent this out-