

Sir WILLIAM MULOCK. That is quite untrue.

Mr. FISHER. Absolutely untrue.

Mr. W. F. MACLEAN. Well, it has not been denied.

Mr. FISHER. It is denied now.

Sir WILLIAM MULOCK. It has been denied over and over again by the premier.

Mr. W. F. MACLEAN. It has been admitted that the hon. ex-Minister of the Interior knew nothing about it and the hon. Minister of Finance says he knew nothing about it and they both have said in the House that practically that Bill was introduced by stealth.

Mr. FISHER. Not so.

Sir WILLIAM MULOCK. They have not.

Mr. W. F. MACLEAN. I will leave it to the hon. gentleman to explain.

Sir WILLIAM MULOCK. You need not lie about it.

Mr. W. F. MACLEAN. Then, another thing; by stealth it was taken past the members of the west, by stealth it was taken past the representatives of the government in the Northwest Territories, and by stealth it was taken past the caucus of hon. gentlemen opposite, so that, as far as we know, this Bill got into this House under the circumstances which I have stated here to-day. Now then, there is another thing and I want to deal with these questions as they have been stated here and as they are. I take the full responsibility for every thing I say. There is evidence now in this country that the right hon. gentleman is paying his political debts at the expense of the civil and educational rights of the people of this country.

Mr. SPEAKER. Order. That is an imputation that the hon. member should not make.

Mr. W. F. MACLEAN. I don't think, Mr. Speaker—

Mr. SPEAKER. I think that is an offensive imputation which the hon. gentleman should not make.

Some hon. MEMBERS. Take it back.

Mr. W. F. MACLEAN. I will modify it.

Mr. SPEAKER. Withdraw it.

Mr. W. F. MACLEAN. Which statement?

Mr. SPEAKER. As I understand, when you are out of order and I have directed you to do so, you will withdraw the statement which is out of order.

Mr. W. F. MACLEAN. What statement do you object to? I said the right hon. gentleman is paying his political debts—

Mr. SPEAKER. Order. My ruling must not be discussed; if I am wrong the hon. gentleman has his remedy.

Mr. W. F. MACLEAN. Will you please tell me the statement to which you object?

Mr. WHITE. Mr. Speaker, I do not wish to call your judgment in question, but if the point you make is that the hon. member for South York is out of order in saying that the right hon. the Prime Minister is paying his political debts, it seems to me that is straining the rule.

Mr. SPEAKER. The hon. gentleman (Mr. White), as I understand it, misconceives what the hon. member (Mr. W. F. Maclean) has said. As I understood him, he said that the Prime Minister was attempting to pay his political debts by sacrificing the civil rights of the people.

Mr. W. F. MACLEAN. And the educational rights of the people.

Mr. SPEAKER. In my judgment and under my ruling, that is an offensive statement in reference to the Prime Minister, which the hon. gentleman must withdraw. If I am wrong in that, he has his remedy.

Some hon. MEMBERS. Withdraw.

Mr. W. F. MACLEAN. Mr. Speaker, I must bow and withdraw, and I will have an opportunity elsewhere of saying what my opinion is. And now, Mr. Speaker, I want to say this, that we have government in this country—

Mr. SAM HUGHES. Don't let them bluff you Billy.

Mr. SPEAKER. Order, please; or I will be obliged to name you (Mr. Sam. Hughes).

Mr. SAM. HUGHES. Mr. Speaker, I will not be—

Mr. SPEAKER. Order; you must sit down.

Some hon. MEMBERS. Order. Expel him.

Mr. SPEAKER. I am again in the judgment of the House, when I call a gentleman to order who says to another member who is speaking, directing his reference to the Speaker: Don't let him bluff you.

Mr. SAM. HUGHES. I rise to a point of order. I rise to take the full responsibility in this House for what I have said. I say that the member for South York ought not to be bluffed by any authority in this House.

Mr. SPEAKER. Order.

Some hon. MEMBERS. Order.

Mr. SAM. HUGHES. I assume the full responsibility for it.

Mr. SPEAKER. Order, or I will be obliged to name you.