

Labrador; and if he likes he can shout it when he dies, and if they open him up they will find Labrador engraved on his heart. He has nothing to do with it. It is the Parliament of Canada. The Parliament of Canada is not the Government of Canada.

Mr. Penney I am not convinced over that. The Government of Canada is controlled by the Liberal party and the Liberal party is governed by the control of the Province of Quebec. It could be upset in the next general election. It holds the key. That is why I say there is something in what Mr. Duplessis says about Labrador and the boundary in particular.

Mr. Smallwood The Province of Quebec elects 65 members to the House of Commons. Ontario elects 96. A good many more than the Province of Quebec. Let me tell you something: there was a time when Quebec was not as big as it is now. At that same time, Ontario was not as big as it is now. What happened?... Quebec was pushed north to the sea as far as she could go; Ontario was pushed north to the ocean as far as it could go. The last thing that can happen is that Quebec can be made bigger, because Ontario controls the government more than does Quebec. Quebec has 65 members whom she elects; Ontario has, I think, 80-odd. Look in the Black Book and you will find the number. If you say Quebec controls the Parliament, why not say Ontario controls it still more? Do you think Ontario is going to sit by and allow Quebec to be made bigger? No. It cannot be done.

Mr. Penney It has been proven those last years that Quebec is Liberal and it is their province that elected Mr. King and the government and kept them in power, and Ontario, although just as big, could not do anything to help her.

Mr. Higgins I agree with Mr. Penney.

Mr. Smallwood That tells us a lot. That is a great contribution to the debate. It is very enlightening. Mr. Higgins tells us a lot. Now we know all about it.

Mr. Higgins I understood reflections on any person by any member was not to be tolerated.

Mr. Chairman I am afraid I must sustain Mr. Higgins on this. Your words are offensive and I ask you to withdraw them.

Mr. Smallwood I withdraw them.

Mr. Hollett Would you tell us what is the population of Quebec? What is the proportion of

people in Quebec in relation to the whole of Canada? Please remember all these people in Quebec want that Labrador.

Mr. Smallwood All what people?

Mr. Hollett All the people in Quebec.

Mr. Smallwood Can you answer for four million people? Have you canvassed them?

Mr. Hollett I have canvassed them as much as you have canvassed the 100,000 voters in this country. Probably you have canvassed them; you were up there three months.

Mr. Smallwood The population of Ontario is one million more than the Province of Quebec.

Mr. Hollett I do not want to know the population of Ontario.

Mr. Smallwood You would like to talk about Quebec. The population of Canada is 12.5 million. The population of Quebec is of the order of four million. The population of Ontario...

Mr. Hollett I am not interested in Ontario. When I ask a question, can I have the answer, not a roving commission?

Mr. Chairman Mr. Hollett asked you, Mr. Smallwood, the population of Quebec.... You have not specifically answered his question.

Mr. Smallwood I said it was of the order of four millions.

Mr. Hollett Four million against the total population of 12.5 million.

Mr. Smallwood If by that token, the four millions of Quebec can control Canada, by the same token, more than four millions of Ontario can more than control Canada. That follows, does it not?

Mr. Hollett No. If Quebec went the other way, the present government would be out and we would have to get new terms.

Mr. Smallwood If Mr. Hollett is worried about the chances of the Liberal government of Canada falling, I would remind him that a matter of a month ago the thing that held up the delivery of this Grey Book was a by-election in a Conservative constituency where the Liberal party won with the most thumping majority in recent history of Canada.

Mr. Hollett The Liberal government spent \$1 million there in that election.

Mr. Smallwood I wonder if the Conservative party told you what they had spent? I wonder how you know the Liberal party spent \$1 million in that by-election? Did they tell you?