

Was it not true that Mr. McDougall, a Minister of the Dominion, had gone to Renfrew to induce a candidate to step out of the way, to leave a seat for the Commissioner of Crown Lands? Was it not true that Sir John A. Macdonald had induced the withdrawal of opposition to the Treasurer of Ontario, as a candidate for a seat in this House? And was it not true that Sir John stated in writing that Mr. T. D'Arcy McGee was his nominee for Prescott for the Local Legislature? Were we to have two Cabinets to control this House, or only one? (Hear, hear). In the reign of George III., when the Duke of Newcastle and the elder Mr. Pitt were in a coalition as the responsible advisers of the Crown, Lord Bute and some of his friends were the secret advisers of the Crown. The result was confusion, anarchy, and heart-burning. In this attempt to bring about harmony, did we not see repeated in this Province of Ontario, this spectacle of two Cabinets? (Hear, hear). He would say too that the Premier of Ontario had laid himself open to very grave suspicion by the company he had kept during the last six months. (Laughter). He should have liked very much to have had at Prescott some of those angels' visits which had been so frequently referred to. The honourable gentleman left him to fight his own battle with Mr. McGee and all other influences combined; but by way of a penance for his neglect, after he was elected, sent him a telegram of congratulation. (Great laughter). He considered that hon. gentlemen opposite were quite justified in doing what they could to maintain their position as Ministers of State; but he had not felt quite pleased to find during the late election that his honourable friend seemed disposed to give an old friend like himself the cold shoulder. But, though he were the greatest sinner the world ever saw, he would still give him a chance to return to his first love, and if he should come over to his (Mr. Boyd's) side of the house, he would warrant him a warm reception. (Hear, hear). Mr. Boyd went on to express his approval of the policy of the Dominion Government in opening up the North-west. As regarded this address, he regretted that the Ministry had not introduced references to education, agri-