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minority. "In fact," said he, "that Catholic minority was actually intimidated."

And what had all the fighting been about, he asked? Some \$200—that was all. According to figures now available, said he, that extra amount may now be directed to the separate school in Tweed that hitherto went to the public schools.

The Opposition, he said, should hang its head in shame. For "cheap political gain" it has stirred up racial prejudice and hatred in a Province where Protestants and Catholics had been content to live peacefully side by side for years. And the victory had been nothing more than a case of "the Dutch capturing Holland." "And what's more," he added, "under circumstances I cannot admire."

#### **Hits Forestry Attack.**

Mr. Hepburn referred to other issues created by the Tory Party and Tory press in the campaign, and said that one most commonly employed was that of blaming the present Administration for the heavy forest fire losses of last summer. Well, said he, investigation showed that practically the same machinery and fire equipment as used in Tory Government days had been used last year; that the same fire fighting jurisdiction of twelve districts still obtained; and that eleven of the district foresters in charge of those districts had been Conservative appointees.

"So if those officials have been stupid, as the Tories say, in the administration of their duties, then I guess," said he, "it's about time to get out that old axe we once heard so much about."

Mr. Hepburn paid tribute to Premier Duplessis of Quebec, declaring that the successful stabilization of the newsprint industry in this Province and elsewhere owed much to the co-operation which Mr. Duplessis had extended to Ontario. And it would not be amiss to recall, he said, that the Quebec Premier had publicly stated on one occasion that had he been a citizen of Ontario, when the cancellation of original Hydro-Quebec power contracts was a public issue, he would have supported the stand taken by the Hepburn Administration.

The Premier took a slap at the Evening Telegram. That paper, he said, had no love for Colonel Drew, the Conservative Organizer; or for Hon. Earl Rowe, the Conservative "mail-order" Leader. It was all wrapped up in Toronto's former Mayor, W. J. Stewart. "Knowing full well," gibed Mr. Hepburn, "that politically and otherwise it (the Telegram) is about to pass out of the picture, it is easy to see why it keeps up its associations with an undertaker."

The purchase by The Globe of the Mail and Empire he labelled as "that unfortunate marriage." Only time would tell, he said, what sort of offspring there would be.