



"We left Manitoba because we were not free, and we came to this new wild country to be free.

Now we have to pay to cut firewood. . . .

The government has made its first move against us and if we let them get away with it, there will be more laws coming."

-- Gabriel Dumont

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Our cover: This month's cover commences our new series featuring Western Canadian separatist folk heroes. Gabriel Dumont was the military leader of the 1885 rebellion. He lived from 1837 to 1906. The above quotation is as timely now as it was when he said it.

The Way Out

by Richard McBride

Where does Stephen Harper stand on free speech? Specifically, what is his stand on the Canadian Human Rights Tribunal's ruling in *Lemire*, which held that section 13(1) of the *Canadian Human Rights Act* is unconstitutional? Nobody knows. Why? Because no one has asked him. Specifically, no one in the media has asked him. Apparently, our right to know doesn't extend to what our Prime Minister believes Canadians should be allowed to say.

And to the best of my knowledge, our media has not asked this question of Justice Minister Rob Nicholson and Opposition leaders Michael Ignatieff, Gilles Duceppe, Jack Layton and Elizabeth May either.

In its coverage of *Lemire*, *Maclean's* happened to caution *en passant* not to expect anything from Harper because he wasn't really free to act. Why? Because organized Jewry and organized minorities would be angry with him if he did. Now *that's* a story, you're saying to yourself. But that's not the way our media sees it.

Or consider our media's ever-so-delicate handling of the Chuck Cadman scandal. The facts are these. Shortly before his death in 2005, Cadman, an Independent MP whose vote against Paul Martin's government would have forced an election, was visited by high-ranking emissaries of then-Opposition Leader Stephen Harper. According to his widow, Cadman was offered a million-dollar life insurance policy in exchange for returning to the Conservative Party and voting against Martin. In the event, Cadman rejected the offer.

But if Mrs. Cadman's account was true (and it was bolstered by a tape recording made by a local journalist), Harper's emissaries were guilty of an indictable offence. After the Liberal Party publicized Mrs. Cadman's allegation of bribery, Harper sued. The Liberals and the Conservatives settled the suit, confidentially; Mrs. Cadman replaced her husband in the Commons (as a Conservative MP); and our media dropped the story. Nothing to see here, folks!

So why wasn't the Cadman affair a story, and why isn't the *Lemire* affair a story? Because they don't fit into the media's "narrative." Free speech smacks of politics, of issues and other boring categories the Canadian people allegedly don't care about and our reporters and columnists don't want to think about. Thinking is hard, and reporters are lazy. They're also cowards. Do minorities hold disproportionate power in Canada? What, are you a "racist" or something? Cowardice also explains why our media dropped the Cadman story. Continuing to report it would have exposed our media to the terrible possibility that either or both of our major political parties would have been angry with them. And they can't have that. Courtiers can't make enemies.

So instead of politics, we get endless stories about the latest polls or the burning questions of whether Harper too "angry" or Ignatieff is too "aloof." Our media no longer

analyzes the thing itself; they analyze the analysis. This is called "meta."

And it's convenient for them, for pretty much everyone in the media believes the same things. Just like our politicians. Anyone who stands outside the consensus is an "extremist." Do you remember voting for Canada to fight in Afghanistan until 2011 and beyond? Do you remember voting for a quarter-million immigrants a year in the midst of the greatest economic downturn since the Great Depression? Do you even remember (last year it was) voting for an exploding federal deficit? No, you don't, because you didn't get the chance.

Which came first, the chicken or the egg? The apolitical media or the apolitical political parties? It doesn't really matter. What matters is that "democracy" in Canada means that the people have no say in determining the policies that determine what kind of country Canada is going to be. That's left to our betters, who decide these things in secret. Actually, even to say they "decide" is not quite right. These things are decided without argument; they are decided with a wink and a nod.

So, the bad news is that Canadian democracy is a closed circle. There is no hope of reform, because reform—by its very nature—stands outside the consensus. The good news—for Western separatists—is that a political system that is beyond reform is one that is beyond saving.

All it will take is one major crisis to bring the entire edifice down. And that crisis is already to hand—the economic crisis. When the day comes—and it is now not far off—when our betters are forced to beg the Canadian people to make major sacrifices, the Canadian people will ask: What, for you guys? No thanks. Canada has failed, and we plan on making new arrangements—arrangements that don't include you. You've had your way; now it's our turn.

This is precisely what happened to the Soviet Union, and this is precisely what will

happen to Canada. And we in the West will have our freedom.

Freedom's Voice

“Most people prefer to believe their leaders are just and fair even in the face of evidence to the contrary, because once a citizen acknowledges that the government under which they live is lying and corrupt, the citizen has to choose what he or she will do about it. To take action in the face of a corrupt government entails risks of harm to life and loved ones. To choose to do nothing is to surrender one's self-image of standing for principles. Most people do not have the courage to face that choice. Hence, most propaganda is not designed to fool the critical thinker but only to give moral cowards an excuse not to think at all.”

Michael Rivero

“And I sincerely believe, with you, that banking establishments are more dangerous than standing armies; and that the principle of spending money to be paid by posterity, under the name of funding, is but swindling futurity on a large scale.”

*Thomas Jefferson, 1743-1826
drafted the Declaration of Independence, 3rd US
President, letter to John Taylor in 1816*

“When I dare to be powerful, to use my strength in the service of my vision, it becomes less and less important whether I am afraid.”

Audre Lorde

“You miss 100% of the shots you never take.”

*Wayne Gretzky, 1961- , Hockey legend
“The Great One”*

“Prefer a loss to a dishonest gain; for the one is painful but once, but the other for one's whole life.”

*Chilon of Sparta was a Lacedaemonian
son of Damagetus and one of the Seven Sages of*

*Greece. He was elected an ephor in Sparta in
556/5 BC*

The Cost of Confederation

Western Premiers Working Together at Last?

Alberta, British Columbia and Saskatchewan have signed an economic partnership deal to reduce trade barriers and work together to achieve overseas trade objectives. It is another step toward creating a Western Canadian identity. The following open letter to the Western Premiers highlights some of the East/West disparities that Western Canadians are familiar with:

Dear Western Premiers:

It is about time you Western premiers got together to work together for the good of the west because the east is only interested in our resources and financial help. Manitoba can be left out because they are infiltrated with French Canadiens (the Franco Bank Families of the 1982), French Villages and a French University in St. Boniface. They are poor but they think and act like their eastern neighbours and are used to supporting any eastern Football team when the east can not afford to support their own.

Now that you have the trade business in order, your next objective should be a Western Police Force for better western service. The Federal Government does not subsidize our western Mounties as generously as the eastern police forces. The once-proud worldly stalwart force is no more, since the east took control. And how about collecting our own Income tax like Quebecers do? They know it is stupid to balance their budget because they would miss out on our Government's grants. They must use a good math system to always come out as a 'have-not province' with all their wealthy resources and population.

The new TD report has Quebec recovering better from the recession than the other provinces because of their robust goods producing industries like the aerospace (they took from Ottawa) and pharmaceuticals (in the Billions++). The western provinces do not compare to that kind of wealth. Quebec's population of 21% compares poorly to the 4 western provinces' total population of only 30.5%. I guess we work harder while Quebecers enjoy a 4-day week.

The list of Quebec's benefits goes on and on. It is time we evened the score so we can enjoy the same perks as the Nation of Quebec but please let them keep their French Civil Law.

Yours truly,

Mrs. D. Davies-Fuhrman

2010 Olympics a Costly Boost to Francophone Presence in British Columbia

The Vancouver Sun in an article published on September 24, 2009 revealed some interesting statistics about the cost, in these recession-bound times, of ensuring an officially bilingual identity for the 2010 Winter Olympics to be held in Vancouver. Excerpts from this article follow:

“Part of Granville Island will become a lively French Quarter celebrating francophone culture during the 2010 Olympic Games — with tourism exhibitions, street entertainment, a farmers' market and a long lineup of French-Canadian entertainers.

“Place de la Francophonie 2010 will operate Feb. 10-28 next year with the help of a **\$1.7-million federal grant**, Heritage and Official Languages Minister James Moore announced Wednesday.

“Support for the estimated **\$3-million** project will also come from the Vancouver Olympic Organizing Committee, several Cana-

dian provinces and from food and beverage sales at the pavilion.

“The federal investment in the Granville Island showcase is part of a larger effort to promote francophone culture during the Games, Moore said. In addition to the latest grant, the federal government announced last week it would contribute **\$7.7 million** for translation, bilingual signage and medal ceremonies language services during the Olympics.”

[end of excerpts]

Bear in mind that B.C.'s population is only 1.5% francophone. The federal provincial agreement entitled “The Promotion of Francophone Minorities in British Columbia” has cost taxpayers a total of \$2.8 million over 2 years, \$750,000 from the Feds and \$750,000 from the BC government per year. (*Source: Canadians for Language Fairness*)

A letter writer to the Vancouver Sun on September 20, 2009 in response to the above-excerpted article makes the following good points:

Re: Bilingual Olympics

I thought this Olympics, hosted by British Columbia, primarily funded by British Columbia and located in British Columbia was British Columbia's Olympics. So why is it being used to showcase Canada in general and B.C. in particular as being a functioning bilingual entity when this is not born out by fact?

How can Canada be a bilingual country when the unrestricted use of English in Quebec is against the law? When every aspect of Quebec's language law (Bill 101) is designed to suffocate the growth and visibility of the English language? When Quebec's only official language is French?

Why are Canadians in the ROC (Rest of Canada) being forced to support a hugely expensive French immersion education program & French services program for the ROC when Government stats show the French residency to

be just 3% outside Quebec when there is no comparable English immersion in Quebec?

Is it not disingenuous of B.C., the Federal Government and Quebec to use the up-coming Olympics to (falsely) present to world visitors that Canada is a functioning bilingual country? Vanoc and the B.C. Government have had to (import?) French speakers from Quebec to support this charade for heaven's sake!

Al. C. Johnson

A Separatist Speaks

Doug Christie recently spoke at a rally against the imposition of a "Harmonized Sales Tax" in B.C. The crowd was comprised of disgruntled British Columbians, who through Doug's speech, were exposed to the Western Separatist solution to such taxation.

Quietly Sold into Bondage to a Bankrupt Government

There are many reasons to resent the imposition of a harmonized sale tax (H.S.T.) on all goods and services in British Columbia. This will extend the GST, a federal tax, to many more goods and services which were taxed by the province, as well as those *not* taxed by the province. But beyond all the new areas to be taxed, beyond all the new industries affected, beyond all the increased taxes on the poor and least able to pay, is one central fact.

The province, for \$1.2 billion is selling its provincial citizens into Ottawa slavery. We are mere tax accounts to be transferred and sold to a new master in Ottawa. The essential truth is that power is being centralized in Ottawa over what used to be a provincial jurisdiction. We now will be collected like sheep in the Ottawa fold and our personal worth diminished directly to give the Ottawa bureaucrats more power.

B.C. tax collectors will be unemployed. Ottawa can do the job. Why, then, do we need a province? Thus our freedom is curtailed more

effectively by a more remote and more ruthlessly efficient force. Our SIN number is our Slave Identification Number. We work more and keep less, just enough to keep us working. We will be allocated a very small place to rest in the end, if we can afford it. Even our funeral will be taxed at 12%. This was not even mentioned during the recent election, but sprung on British Columbians afterwards.

How long will Western Canadians surrender to such arrogance? What needs to be done is a new government, a new constitution and a new vision, where liberty and private property are real, not the quiet Marxist revolution that Ottawa has achieved. Ottawa, the great ponzi scheme, just got a new investor. At least investors can choose to invest.

A Coalition to Be or Not to Be?

Recently in a speech to party members in Sault Ste. Marie, which Mr. Harper thought to be private, he said, "Make no mistake about it, if we don't get a majority this time, Canada will be governed by a coalition of Liberals, Socialists and Separatists."

The party faithful applauded obediently and when the story was leaked, Mr. Ignatieff responded with appropriate indignation. It was, he said, a sign of contempt for parliament and democracy.

But after proclaiming the evil nature of a coalition with socialists and separatists, Mr. Harper now has become one. What, in effect, is necessary for anyone to be Prime Minister, is to bribe the voters of Ontario with Western resource dollars, placate Quebec with grants and steal the platform of opposing parties enough to stay in power.

But is this power? There is no way a Western Canada Prime Minister can stay in power without making these deals. Then who really rules? Who is in power? Certainly not the Western Canadian interests. Strictly speaking, it is the confluence of coalitions which

central Canada creates to demand bribes for their support.

Contrast this with the voting history of Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, and British Columbia. This region has a strong common bond in its voting pattern. An examination of the last elections since 1968 reveals Western Canada would have elected a Conservative majority with an NDP, sometimes Liberal, opposition. There is no doubt about the electoral solidarity of Western Canada.

Equally, look at the revenues of resources, the transfer payments to Ottawa, the federal expenditures in the various provinces, the revenues to Ottawa in all forms of tax from each Western province and its return in spending, contracts, pensions, grants, etc. You will see that the West gives Ottawa far more than Ottawa gives the West.

We have no subsidized American auto assembly plants. We have no Bombardier-type, tax-funded industries, nor Our Canada grant catchers. A free West would be more stable with less tax burden than Canada offers, by at least 30% on average. Why not?

What is the Price of Victory in Canada?

“Sure, Harper makes deals, but stay the course till he gets a majority, and then see him work!” wrote a letter-writer to the editor.

For those of you determined to stay the course and follow Stephen Harper all the way to a majority government, I have a question: “Have you considered the cost?” Canada demands a price for a majority government.

First, you must buy off all the auto workers jobs in the assembly plants of bankrupt American auto workers like General Motors and Chrysler. Next, you must fix unemployment insurance so the forestry workers of Quebec can get paid for not working longer. Next, you must surrender more money to Quebec for its language, culture and arts. Next, you must

capitulate and reverse the 150th anniversary of the Battle of the Plains of Abraham. You must adopt the policy of the NDP and Liberals, who do the same as you for Quebec and Ontario.

Have you come to the realization that this is a price too high? In the end, all parties must serve Quebec and Ontario.

The West, on the other hand, needs none of this! Our manufacturing is largely in the resource sector and needs no subsidy from government. Our language common to all is English. Our economy is not built on debt and our lives would be much easier if we didn't have to pay other people's debts through the equalization bribe mechanism in Ottawa.

How long will it take Westerners to realize this simple logic? How long will it take for the West to separate and look after its own? Surely Ottawa isn't all that beautiful and slavery isn't all that appealing!

Alberta: Feeling the Pain of Being Canadian

The Wildrose Alliance is currently having success against the same old, same old. The cycle of revolution is about to be repeated. People in Alberta are looking around and seeing the strange results of being robbed while they were rich.

When you are poor and get robbed, you notice. When you are rich and get robbed, you may not notice right away.

Alberta hasn't noticed until now. Alberta is suffering unemployment, homelessness, and the unusual phenomenon of foreclosures, downturn and bankruptcy. And now they wonder why.

The answer is as simple as it was in 1980 and just as true. Ottawa lives off Alberta revenue and other Western provinces to subsidize and bail out the bankrupt American auto assembly plants in Ontario and bribe the voters of

Quebec so they won't upset the giant Ponzi scheme called Canada.

It would be a real tragedy if throwing out the Tories, as the Tories did to the Secreds in Alberta, the same endless draining of Alberta blood to transfuse it to the sick Canadian system, was just carried on for another 30 years. Must each new generation repeat the same mistakes of the previous one? Must blind obedience to a force-fed system be the perpetual lot of Western Canada? No. The Western Block Party has a complete answer.

Stephen Harper has revealed the failure of the strategy of a Western Prime Minister who joins an established Canadian party and works within the system to reform it. He has become the willing instrument of the Liberals, NDP and Bloc Quebecois, even though he claims to form a coalition. He has become a coalition instrument, even though he has a clear majority in Western Canada.

Preston Manning tried to reform the system with his Reform Party from without, as a new party which failed also due to the need to win Ontario. Such failures need not be repeated.

Independence for the West is the only way to stabilize and maintain resource wealth in the land where it comes from, for the hard times which resource economies occasionally face. To repeat the past failure, is not necessary.

Long Live a Free Quebec!

Irritating and anti-historical as it was, the celebrations on the Plains of Abraham which commemorate the 250th anniversary tells you all you need to know about Canada: Ottawa has surrendered.

Be it Harper, Chretien, Mulroney or any of the rest, they would never stop Quebec. As Bernard Landry said in reading the last words of Chevalier de Lorimer before he was hanged in 1839 for rebellion, "Long live freedom, long

live independence!" The crowd roared. "Independence and freedom of nations must be pursued until it is achieved," said Landry.

The original plan of an historical re-enactment was scrapped out of fear by Ottawa. History must be rewritten and it is being revoked by a powerful, determined body of opinion. The separatist movement never has approached Ottawa on their knees. It remained for the opportunistic Liberals and their mafia-style bribery campaign to strike a bargain with Ottawa in the name of national unity. They ran out of local initiative money and decided instead to go directly for "sponsorship" of their friends, which became the sponsorship scandal.

The West should realize that the separatists are our friends. It's the Liberals and Conservatives who demand we give more for them to pay the blackmail. It's like Canada has been held hostage by separatists and the Liberals play the negotiators to get the money and power. This system of symbiotic relationship like the bird on the rhino's back has got to end. We feed them both and they are growing bloated on our bleeding taxes.

Even as the insoluble problem of Quebec is being played out once again, another day of bad news reveals we cannot win the war in Afghanistan. "It is impossible for the west to build an Afghan state. They have no clear picture of this promised 'state,'" says Rory Stewart, a diplomat in Kabul.

Either in Quebec or Afghanistan, we are awakening to the question, to mix a metaphor, how much of our gold should we pour down this rat-hole? Perhaps we should say "Long live freedom" and walk away from both of them!

Douglas Christie

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