

RED ACTIVITIES WILL BE PROBED BY GOVERNMENT

Whole Problem of Anarchistic Activities in West Will Be Gone Into.

The Government, it is understood, has under consideration an inquiry into alleged attempts to set up Soviet rule in Winnipeg and also into the activities of certain Red leaders, who, masquerading as friends of Labor, have, it is believed, been advocating Bolshevism and the overthrow of established authority.

Under the new Immigration Act the Government was given authority to deport from Canada all persons found guilty of advocating or working for overthrow of constitutional government. There is reason to believe that not only in Winnipeg, but throughout various centres in the West, as well as in British Columbia, such persons exist in considerable numbers, and the Government is determined that their banishment from the Dominion is demanded by the necessity of peace and public order.

Disquieting Information.

A parliamentary committee has recently been investigating the question of sedition in Canada with a view to strengthening seditious laws. While the deliberations of this committee have been held in secret, The Journal understands that it has had brought before it information of a disturbing character, to say the least, and that when its report is made, the Government will have evidence before it challenging an immediate investigation of the whole question of revolutionary propaganda in the Dominion.

May Deport Leaders.

For some time past the Government has been urged to take action against, and, if possible, to deport certain leaders alleged to be connected with anarchist and revolutionary movements in Western Canada, and British Columbia, but, in the absence of more definite evidence, and partly because of absence of a sufficiently strong public opinion on the matter, it hesitated to take action. Recent events in the West, however, with their revelation of frankly revolutionary leaders, have convinced the Government that action cannot longer be postponed with safety, and that investigation will have the support of the country, including that of genuine trades unionists who are becoming alarmed, and with reason, at the foothold which Reds have gained in the Labor movement.