

Business of the House

Sir John A. lived there, including the furnishings and all the other accessories, so it will be a proper and fitting shrine and memorial to Sir John A. and the town of Kingston. It would seem to me that this is a very desirable and worthy thing. I think we all agree that we should do this, and it seems rather pointless to put a motion through the House of Commons saying that we want to do this when the action necessary to have it done has already been taken.

I think that to pass this motion would serve very little useful purpose. We on this side of the house are sometimes accused of being partisan, and rightly so; but I think we on this side respect this person as much as anybody in any part of the house. We respect him as much as people across the country, and are very anxious to see that this residence is turned into a fitting shrine, paying tribute to this great Canadian leader. Mr. Speaker, may I call it six o'clock?

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Hahn: I think it is very, very close to six o'clock.

Mr. Fisher: Sir John A. Macdonald is surely worth another minute.

Mr. Hahn: I believe, Mr. Speaker, that I still have the floor. I have not yielded the floor.

Mr. Knowles: If you stand there, it will be six o'clock in 30 seconds.

Mr. Fisher: You will never die, Sir John A.

Mr. Knowles: Just stand pat, like the Liberals.

Mr. Hahn: I think, Mr. Speaker, we should all recognize that the action to acquire and renovate this property has been taken by this government. Those on the other side of the house who would like to see a vote taken should bear in mind that it is a Liberal government which has put into motion the plans to acquire a memorial to one of the great Conservative leaders of this country. I think this is something that should be recognized and is a tribute to this government.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Batten): Order. It being six o'clock, the hour for the consideration of private members' business has expired.

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Mr. Churchill: Mr. Speaker, will the house leader announce the business for tomorrow and perhaps Friday.

Mr. Favreau: Mr. Speaker, I was going to suggest that by consent we extend the time in order that the hon. member might finish his speech.

Mr. Knowles: That would embarrass him.

Mr. Favreau: It is my hope that we can commence the budget debate early tomorrow afternoon. As soon as the motion which was debated this afternoon has been disposed of, the budget debate will commence and will continue throughout the day and throughout Friday. Tomorrow we shall be in a position to announce the business for the whole of next week until the recess.

At six o'clock the house adjourned, without question put.
