

allowing these integrated industries to be developed on the other side of the line. To refer only to one that this government could well take in hand and work up into a big industry, I would mention the iron industry and in that connection this government have all the opportunities that any government ever had. We have deposits of iron ore in eastern Ontario and any quantity of it north of the great lakes, and yet in the last few years not one pound of Canadian iron ore has been mined or used. There are difficulties connected with other industries, but this is one which this government could well take in hand and work up into a great national policy. The same thing is true of the pulp and paper industry. Now is the time; if the government wait another five or ten years this opportunity will have passed, never to be regained by this or any other government to evolve a policy that will help in making this a great country.

The fishing industry has been allowed to dwindle away on both the Atlantic and the Pacific. This government are quite indifferent to the question; they have no policy on it, and in fact I should like to know what they have a policy on except whatever will enable them to gather in and to hold this independent wing so that they may remain in power. They should have some pity on this independent wing; they should give them a chance not to see all their principles massacred, but to see some of the principles which they had on this side of the house worked up on the other into a policy. But the government have surrounded them in front, behind, to the right, to the left, so that there is no escape for this poor independent wing. They have to sit there and listen in quietness to a crucifixion of all the principles they ever adopted on this side.

I would ask the government, therefore, that they should study the situation of Canada; that they should take hold of some one of these great natural resources and work it up into a national policy that will make Canada a good place to live in and that will give work to our people. If these resources were made use of, every man in Canada would have a job, the exodus to the United States would be practically stopped and, in fact, men would be looking to Canada and returning. We would have an actual return, not a mere fanciful fiction on paper. I have canvassed my constituency and all the country round, and I cannot find more than a dozen people or so who have returned. Deseronto and Trenton, which once were prosperous towns, are now almost off the map owing to the policy of this government. Families of eight and ten have gone away and I have not seen

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one of them return. I would therefore ask the government in their next budget to consider some national policy on some natural resource so as to make this a better country than they have so far made it.

Mr. MALCOLM LANG (South Timiskaming): Mr. Speaker, having just returned from a visit over the week-end to my constituency, I feel it is my duty and pleasure to convey to the Minister of Finance (Mr. Robb), the government and members of this house the general satisfaction which prevails throughout my constituency with regard to the budget which is under discussion in this chamber at this time. I had occasion to visit different parts of that great constituency and to speak with prospectors, miners, farmers, and housewives, people of all classes and people who have in the past been affiliated with all the different political parties, and in no case did I meet with any other expression of opinion than approval of the budget that was brought down and satisfaction with the wonderfully improved conditions which, they know, prevail throughout this great land of ours.

I wish for a moment to pay my respects to the hon. member for Kingston City (Mr. Ross) who has just addressed us. I have listened with a great deal of pleasure and attention to his speech, and I wish to compliment him and say that in my opinion he made a most wonderful address considering the difficult case which he tried to make out. I am going to refer first, if I may, to some of the arguments which he asked this house to listen to with regard to the mining industry, by reading from an editorial which appeared in the Northern Miner on Thursday last. This editorial appeared in this publication after the editor had time to study the effects of the tariff proposals upon the mining industry in Canada. This publication, the Northern Miner, is published in Cobalt, the centre of the constituency which I have the honour to represent. It is owned and edited by two brothers who some years ago came into northern Ontario to do pioneering work along with the rest of the people in that north country. One of them, prior to coming into the north country, had had some newspaper experience, and after staying with us for a short time and becoming acquainted with the possibilities, these gentlemen were able to get a job printing press in with which they started a printing plant about the beginning of the Porcupine camp in 1909 or 1910. This paper has grown and now has an extremely large circulation in all parts of Canada. It is read with confidence by everyone in this country and in the United States who has anything