

ommendation of the Minister, shall establish water quality standards for all classes of water in Canada.

There is no mention of a single standard there.

(2) No person shall deposit or permit the deposit of waste in any waters in Canada that fall below the minimal water quality standard established for those waters under subsection (1); violation of this subsection shall be deemed to be an offence and punishable under section 22.

So, the hon. member who proposes this motion talks about something minimal, something with a degree of flexibility attached to it, depending upon which body or class of water one is dealing with. I suppose even the minister has to admit it is only common sense that there should be a minimal standard for water, even if it is so thick that you can walk on it. There has to be a minimum somewhere along the line. The hon. member from South Western Nova proposed the setting of a minimum standard which would have some aspect of reason behind it. But nobody has told the minister, if one can tell him anything, that there ought to be one single standard of water all across Canada. So he spent most of his lengthy, interesting and amusing speech inventing a paper tiger and shooting it up rather than dealing with the strong point of substance which was made by the hon. member for South Western Nova and by the hon. member for Kootenay West (Mr. Harding).

Maybe the minister enjoys giving us a re-incarnation of Jimmy Gardiner in the House, or perhaps it is a way of getting out of the awkward circumstances in which he has placed himself. Many of us have tried to make something out of this legislation, perhaps because it should be the most important piece of legislation passed by Parliament this session. But we find that when it comes to water pollution the Minister of Fisheries (Mr. Davis) or the Secretary of State for External Affairs (Mr. Sharp) or some other minister has stolen the whole pure water battle right away from our friend the genial Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources. That is what we have been fighting for. I shall not belabour the point. I think I have shown up the basic fallacies in the minister's reasoning. I do not propose to repeat it, as an exercise in Abe Lincolnism, by splitting and re-splitting these rails. But we are trying to make something out of this legislation and that is why I support this amendment.

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### *Canadian Copper Reserves*

**Mr. Rowland:** May I call it five o'clock, Mr. Speaker?

## PROCEEDINGS ON ADJOURNMENT MOTION

### SUBJECT MATTER OF QUESTIONS TO BE DEBATED

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** It is my duty, pursuant to Standing Order 40, to inform the House that the questions to be raised tonight at the time of adjournment are as follows: the hon. member for Winnipeg North Centre (Mr. Knowles); Social Security—Inquiry as to tabling of white paper; the hon. member for Winnipeg North (Mr. Orlikow); Education—Financial support for Frontier College; the hon. member for Hillsborough (Mr. Macquarrie); Post Office—White paper on Crown corporations.

It being five o'clock, the House will now proceed to the consideration of private members' business as listed on today's Order Paper, namely, notices of motions.

## PRIVATE MEMBERS' NOTICES OF MOTIONS

### THE CANADIAN ECONOMY

#### REQUEST FOR MEASURES TO RESERVE COPPER FOR CANADIAN INDUSTRY

On the order:

That, in the opinion of this House, the government should introduce the legislation necessary for the government to control, by the imposition of duties or otherwise, the export of scrap copper from Canada and take such other measures as will ensure, for the benefit of Canadian industry and labour force, a Canadian priority on the use of Canadian copper.

**Mr. Yves Forest (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council):** Mr. Speaker, I believe there would be unanimous consent to letting this motion stand. The hon. member for Leeds (Mr. Code) has been sick for quite some time.

**Mr. Stanley Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre):** Let it retain its position.

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** Let it stand and retain its position at the request of the government.