

Mr. MARTIN (*Essex East*): I would think my honourable friend, who is a lawyer—

Mr. PIGEON: On a point of order, please.

Mr. MARTIN (*Essex East*): —would regard it as our duty—

Mr. PIGEON: On a point of order, I place a motion that you do not read this letter before this committee.

Mr. MONTEITH (*Verdun*): I second that.

Mr. MARTIN (*Essex East*): My honourable friend wants to make a motion. That is his privilege, but here is the letter, and yet he refers continuously to evidence which does not make out a substantial case.

The CHAIRMAN: There is a motion before the committee, moved by Mr. Pigeon and seconded by Mr. Monteith, that this letter not now be read the second time—not now be read.

Mr. DRYSDALE: I would like to speak to that particular motion. I cannot get the original source, but Mr. Martin referred to the *Montreal Daily Starr* as a very excellent newspaper—

Mr. MARTIN (*Essex East*): What is my honourable friend doing now?

Mr. DRYSDALE: I am speaking to the particular motion.

Mr. MARTIN (*Essex East*): I was speaking to it first.

Mr. DRYSDALE: I got up and took the floor while you were not.

Mr. MARTIN (*Essex East*): I am waiting for the chairman, and I respect the chairman.

Mr. DRYSDALE: Just sit down and wait till I have finished, for a change.

The CHAIRMAN: Mr. Pigeon got up on a point of order.

Mr. MARTIN (*Essex East*): And he interrupted what I was saying.

The CHAIRMAN: And he made a motion that this letter not now be read; and that motion was seconded by Mr. Monteith.

Mr. DRYSDALE: I got up to deal with the particular point of order. You have had the floor.

Mr. MARTIN (*Essex East*): Because I am in a minority here, making a plea for British justice—making a plea for justice—

An hon. MEMBER: Has a minority got rights?

The CHAIRMAN: You have heard the motion, gentlemen.

Mr. DRYSDALE: I would like to speak to the motion, if I may.

Mr. MARTIN (*Essex East*): I am speaking to the motion.

Mr. DRYSDALE: No, you are not.

The CHAIRMAN: Are you speaking to this motion, Mr. Martin?

Mr. JOHNSON: The main motion.

The CHAIRMAN: The main motion, that the committee try to finish its considerations.

Mr. DRYSDALE: Just try listening, Mr. Martin.

Mr. MARTIN (*Essex East*): On a point of order, Mr. Chairman—

Mr. DRYSDALE: No, you don't.

Mr. MARTIN (*Essex East*): May I say it is not possible for an honourable gentlemen, when another member is speaking, to get up and make a motion interrupting what that gentleman is saying. That is exactly what is now suggested, and I would take my place only at the suggestion of the chair, but I have the floor and I was rudely interrupted by Mr. Pigeon who, I am sure, did not mean to be rude.