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moments when he speaks, but is never in the house either before or after. I noticed today and the other day on the resolution stage that the hon. member was not in his place until the time came for him to speak. I have referred to him on several occasions and I am glad to see he is here at the moment. Since he is here I should like to say that in listening to his speech on the resolution stage and earlier today on second reading I can only conclude that he has done nothing but read *Hansard*. In reading his speech in *Hansard* I saw that everything he said had been said previously on the resolution stage and could be found in *Hansard*.

Mr. Grégoire: You do not deserve any answer.

Mr. Gundlock: If you would like to answer I will give you time.

Mr. Grégoire: No, it is not necessary.

Mr. Gundlock: That is what I thought.

Mr. Grégoire: It is not necessary at all.

Mr. Webb: Send him down some peanuts.

Mr. Grégoire: We do not answer to nuts.

Mr. Gundlock: Well, I answer to nuts because some people listen to them and as I listened to your speech today—

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Batten): Order, I suggest the hon. member address the Chair.

Mr. Grégoire: He is not following the rules. He does not know the rules because he is never here. Anyway, you will be out of here next time.

Mr. Gundlock: As I was saying in this regard to the hon. member for Lapointe (Mr. Grégoire) through you, Mr. Speaker, I should like to leave these few words with him. I listened to his speech very carefully—

Mr. Grégoire: You cannot do it; it is too difficult for you.

Mr. Gundlock: Mr. Speaker, at least I listened to his speech.

Mr. Grégoire: You listened, but you did not understand; that is the difference.

Mr. Gundlock: I hear some hon. members say I made a mistake in listening to his speech. Probably I did. If I may, I should like to continue with my speech. I should like to go back for a moment to what I call the fifth party.

[Mr. Gundlock.]

Mr. Grégoire: Dispense; it is not necessary.

Mr. Gundlock: The Minister of National Revenue (Mr. Benson) told us earlier, and I rather enjoyed this, that it was his unpleasant task to collect revenues from the various parties for the funds of this pension plan. Well, I should like to say that it is not nearly as unpleasant for him as it is for some of the rest of us who have to pay. I refer particularly to the self-employed people and to farmers. I simply wanted to ask a question of the minister, if I may. He explained part of it, but only part of it so far as I am concerned.

Now, the self-employed people pay 3.6 per cent, and employers and employees each pay 1.8 per cent, so that is about equal. The question I have in mind is this. What do self-employed people like farmers do during periods, perhaps short periods, when they employ someone on a part-time basis?

Miss LaMarsh: It was in my speech.

Mr. Gundlock: I am sorry, I could not hear that. I should like this question taken into consideration.

I see the hon. member is still in his seat, so—

Mr. Grégoire: You would prefer it if I were not here, but I am here.

Mr. Gundlock: I am very glad you are here. I want to refer to an editorial in today's *Montreal Gazette* which carries the headline "The Exhausted Parliament". Some of us may be exhausted, and some of us may not. Some of us have been here and some of us have been here only on occasion. I should like to quote briefly from the editorial:

This session of the House of Commons should prove in one respect at least to have value. For it has set the precedent of the sort of session that should never be allowed to happen again.

Mr. Grégoire: Whose fault is it?

Mr. Gundlock: I hear questions, Mr. Speaker, that are not addressed to you. I have been called to order and told that I should address you, Mr. Speaker. I should like you to ask any hon. member who has a question to address the Chair, otherwise I should be allowed to make my speech.

Mr. Grégoire: It is not important.

Mr. Gundlock: I think it is very important. As a matter of fact, if you do not want to address the Speaker, then I do not have to do so. If the Speaker is going to call me to order, then he should call you to order.