

Extension of Sittings

Mr. McDermid: Will you give the praise to him when the new plants come in?

Mr. Kilger: I say to the Hon. Minister of Housing that, yes, I would look forward to the day that I could stand in this Chamber and tell him and his colleagues that the trade deal has brought the prosperity that we would look forward to in Stormont—Dundas. I look forward to that day.

Mr. Wilson (Etobicoke Centre): Try today.

Mr. Kilger: Should it not come, I will rise and we shall reopen that same discussion.

Mr. Wilson (Etobicoke Centre): How about today?

Mr. Kilger: Today, I have no reason to give that credit until you are worthy of it.

I will tell them to lay it at the feet of the Prime Minister, a Prime Minister who by this deal shows how little concern he has for Canadians.

The Government has been slow to tell Canadians how those who will be adversely affected by free trade will be looked after. I for one see this as another example of the Conservatives' lack of concern for the people of Canada. I am appalled that the Government is content to put through free trade without considering the negative impact that it will have on many Canadian workers and their families. The Government is merely intent upon implementing a trade deal. Why should it give any consideration to those who will feel the agony from its actions? The Prime Minister called for a healing in the country. I believe that the Prime Minister is the one who requires healing.

I implore the Government to reconsider its naive actions and cancel this deal. It has received no mandate to inflict pain on Canadians. It has a mandate to provide good government, not government for those individuals the Government perceives to be good.

In conclusion, I would like to congratulate members of my Party who were re-elected to the House. I especially would like to congratulate my colleagues who are new Members. Those Members represent ridings whose voters could not support free trade, and their voices can now be added to those of many other Canadians. I hope that the Government is prepared to listen.

Mr. Jim Fulton (Skeena): Madam Speaker, I am pleased to have an opportunity to participate in this debate to speak against the motion and against the amendment. There are many Canadians watching who

are interested in this debate who know that the Tories and their big business friends bought their way back to government. We still do not know how much big business threw into the coffers in buying newspaper ads in my riding, and in many others, who bought radio ads, who bought TV ads, and porked all the money over to the Tories to buy their way back into government.

However, let me spend a moment on the motion before the House and what has gone on during this week. Since 1913, this is the first time we have seen a government come before the House and attempt to move closure before a debate had even begun. There are many Canadians who understand what type of a jackboot Government has been re-elected.

The rules under which we operate have been in place since 1883, untouched. The Government comes in and hoists the Standing Orders, and hoists our opportunities to have the minority voices of Canada heard in the House. The first thing the Government does is try to dispose of those. Of course, we have the Government House Leader (Mr. Lewis) who requires the assistance of the two opposition Parties even to get his motion before the House so that he can carry on the debate before the House today.

Let me digress for a moment and deal with the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans (Mr. Siddon) and the Minister for International Trade (Mr. Crosbie) on fish, because we see the type of deals involved. We know how the Government gave away on drug legislation. It gave it over to the United States. It got rid of generic drugs in Canada and made all Canadian consumers pay higher prices, amounting to hundreds of millions of dollars a year. That was just one of the little cards that the Government handed over to the United States. There is also the film industry, and many other things.

I am glad to see that the Secretary of State for External Affairs (Mr. Clark) is present. I remember his remarks when he was in British Columbia and the fishing industry asked him about that industry. What did he have to say? "Oh, sorry, you guys lost. You were sold out in the negotiations". Who is protected under Article 1203 supposedly? Quebec, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia—

Mr. Clark (Yellowhead): That is false, Jim.

Mr. Fulton: He is trying to stand up for it now.

Mr. Clark (Yellowhead): Tell the truth, Jim.