

be brought to the attention of the House by a question to the Member or to the Ministry when the Orders of the Day are called. May I ask Honourable Members not to rise on questions of privilege unless they are satisfied that they are legitimate and not so-called questions of privilege.

My statement on Monday should not be interpreted in such a way as to prevent Ministers, when motions are called, from making important announcements of public policy. There is no positive rule to that effect, but it is a practice which has been sanctioned by usage both in the United Kingdom and in Canada. It has been my custom to allow the Leader of the Opposition to ask questions with respect to such statements. It is my intention to continue that practice. Of course no debate may take place at that time.

My anxiety is that I shall not, by any ruling that I make, improperly curtail the rights and privileges of any Honourable Member, and I am confident that I will have the continued co-operation of Honourable Members in my effort to carry out my duties in this manner.

The Clerk of the House laid upon the Table the Fourth Report of the Clerk of Petitions stating that he had examined the following petitions presented on March 11, severally praying for the passing of an Act to grant a divorce and to dissolve the marriage of the petitioner, and finds that the requirements of Standing Order 68 have been complied with in each case:—

Of Margaret Elizabeth Strange Colton, wife of Charles Martin Colton of Montreal, Quebec.—*Mr. Winkler.*

Of Alexander Malcolm Dick of St. Laurent, Quebec, husband of Dorothy Hene Honeyman Dick, now residing in Montreal, Quebec.—*Mr. Winkler.*

Of Kathleen Marjorie Hastings Hawkins, now residing in St. Laurent, Quebec, wife of James Norman Hawkins of Montreal, Quebec.—*Mr. Winkler.*

Of Hyman Krull of Montreal, Quebec, husband of Mona Gladstone Krull.—*Mr. Winkler.*

Of Grace Catherine Piché Lovegrove, wife of Walter Benjiman Lovegrove of Montreal, Quebec.—*Mr. Winkler.*

Of Irene Britton Lynn, now residing in Verdun, Quebec, wife of William Arthur Lynn of Montreal, Quebec.—*Mr. Winkler.*

Of Lillian May Holloway O'Brien, wife of Joseph Michael O'Brien of Montreal, Quebec.—*Mr. Winkler.*

Of Jean Marie Weeks Opzoomer, wife of Cornelis William Opzoomer of Montreal, Quebec.—*Mr. Winkler.*

Of Cécile Emilie Viger Ross, now residing in Toronto, Ontario, wife of Harry Gerald Ross of Montreal, Quebec.—*Mr. Winkler.*

Of Shirley Doreen King Rowe of Brigus, Newfoundland, now residing in Toronto, Ontario, wife of Charles Austin Rowe, now residing in the United States.—*Mr. Winkler.*

Of Bruce Edward Steggles of Verdun, Quebec, husband of Anne Géraldine St. Amand Steggles, now residing in Montreal, Quebec.—*Mr. Winkler.*

Of Edna Gibson Smith Schiller, wife of Edward Norman Schiller of Montreal, Quebec.—*Mr. Winkler.*

Of Mary Mildred Antoinette Castonguay Smythson, now residing in Dolbeau, Quebec, wife of Frank Charles Smythson of Montreal, Quebec.—*Mr. Winkler.*

Of Hilda Richardson Tait, wife of George Charles Tait of Montreal, Quebec.—*Mr. Winkler.*

Of Doris Abbott Watts, now residing in Chateauguay, Quebec, wife of Arthur Bertram Watts of Montreal, Quebec.—*Mr. Winkler.*