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11.00 o'clock a.m.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Fisher, seconded by Mr. Regier, by leave of the House, introduced a Bill, No. C-13, An Act to amend the British North America Acts, 1867 to 1952, with respect to the Readjustment of Representation in the House of Commons, which was read the first time and ordered for a second reading at the next sitting of the House.

Mr. Fisher, seconded by Mr. Regier, by leave of the House, introduced a Bill, No. C-14, An Act to amend the Companies Act (Annual Returns), which was read the first time and ordered for a second reading at the next sitting of the House.

Mr. Fisher, seconded by Mr. Regier, by leave of the House, introduced a Bill, No. C-15, An Act to amend the Canada Elections Act (Voting at Advance Polls), which was read the first time and ordered for a second reading at the next sitting of the House.

## STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER

Mr. Speaker: Before proceeding with the orders of the day, if the House would permit me one word, I should like to refer honourable Members to two citations relating to oral questions about public policy. There are many borderline questions, and there were some this morning. For the guidance of the House, perhaps I might refer to Bourinot's fourth edition, at page 314, where he expresses this view of the practice:

While explanations of the intentions of the government or of a minister may be asked, their opinion on a matter of policy or of law is not a proper subject of inquiry.