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2.00 o'clock p.m.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Macdonald, a Minister of the Crown, from his place in the House gave notice, pursuant to Standing Order 33 that at the next sitting of the House, immediately before the order of the day is called for resuming the debate on the motion,—“That the Third Report of the Standing Committee on Procedure and Organization be concurred in”, and on any amendment or amendment in amendment proposed thereto, he would move that the said debate shall not be further adjourned.

A point of order having been raised by the honourable Member for Parry Sound-Muskoka (Mr. Aiken), as to the validity of the motion to be proposed by the President of the Privy Council;

RULING BY MR. SPEAKER

MR. SPEAKER: I am grateful to honourable Members for the comments they have made in guidance to the Chair. The objections that have been made by honourable Members have been logical and I have given very serious thought to them. At the same time I have given very serious consideration to the arguments advanced by the Honourable President of the Privy Council in support of his rejection of the point put forward by the honourable Member for Parry Sound-Muskoka of which he gave me notice of his intention to bring forward procedural objection at this time. I recognize also the difficulty referred to by the honourable Member for Calgary North (Mr. Woolliams). It is obvious that we may some day want to resolve the difficulties to which he has referred. That relates also to one of the difficulties referred to by the honourable Member for Edmonton West (Mr. Lambert).

There is no question that Standing Order 33 as it now stands is not without uncertainty and pitfalls. As has been suggested, it might well be that early consideration should be given to that Standing Order in relation to a considera-