Inquiries of the Ministry

that act, will the minister consider giving the [Translation] bill government support at the first reading stage?

Mr. Speaker: Order, please.

[Translation]

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

MONTREAL—INVESTIGATION INTO DEATH OF LAWYER

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Clément Vincent (Nicolet-Yamaska): Mr. Speaker, my question concerns three ministers. It concerns the President of the Privy Council with regard to bankruptcies, and the Solicitor General with regard to the R.C.M.P., but I shall put my question to the Minister of Justice.

Could the Minister of Justice tell us if he intends to have a special inquiry made into the circumstances surrounding the death of François Payette, Montreal barrister and bankruptcy expert, who was murdered and whose body was found frozen in his car last night. We know barrister François Payette recently took part in an inquiry into bankruptcies.

Mr. Speaker: Order. The hon. member is not putting a question but rather submitting an allegation. His question is out of order.

Mr. Vincent: Mr. Speaker, may I word my question differently?

[English] [Later:]

Hon. Marcel Lambert (Edmonton West): Mr. Speaker, my question is directed to the Solicitor General who, I believe, is charged with responsibility in this field. Is it the intention of the Solicitor General to ask for a special investigation into the circumstances surrounding the death of one François Payette, in Montreal, whose death has just been announced?

Hon. L. T. Pennell (Solicitor General): Mr. Speaker-

Mr. Speaker: It is very difficult, again, to know to what extent this question is urgent. A similar question was asked by the hon. member for Nicolet-Yamaska, and it was argued by hon. members yesterday that whenever there was a violent death it should be automatically an urgent question, I cannot agree with this. I suggest to the hon. member that in the way the question is framed now it is not acceptable.

[Mr. Basford.]

AGRICULTURE

MILK-REQUEST FOR INCREASED PAY-MENTS TO PRODUCERS

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Henri Latulippe (Compton-Frontenac): Mr. Speaker, may I put a question to the Minister of Agriculture?

In view of the importance of maintaining the milk production of this country to satisfy the demand—there will likely be a shortage of 400 or 500 million pounds of milk in Canada this year—can the minister tell the house whether farmers can expect \$4.00 per cwt. for all manufactured milk?

Mr. Speaker: This is a question of a very general nature which cannot be accepted at this time.

[English]

INQUIRY AS TO EMBARGO ON CATTLE SHIPMENTS FROM FRANCE

On the orders of the day:

Mr. J. N. Ormiston (Melville): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the Minister of Agriculture. I wonder if the minister could tell the house whether the government intends to place an embargo on the shipment of cattle into Canada from France due to the prevalence of foot and mouth disease in Europe?

Hon. J. J. Greene (Minister of Agriculture): Mr. Speaker, the importation of cattle, if it should take place, would not take place until the fall. My department is watching the situation carefully, and if there is any danger in the fall the importation of cattle would then, of course, be proscribed.

SEARCH AND RESCUE

NEWFOUNDLAND-LOSS OF TRAWLER "BLUE MIST II"

On the orders of the day:

Mr. J. R. Tucker (Trinity-Conception): Mr. Speaker, I wish to direct a question to the Minister of Transport. Would the minister please advise the house what action has been taken by his department in the search to locate the missing Newfoundland trawler Blue Mist II and her crew of 13, 12 of whom I understand are family men.

Hon. J. W. Pickersgill (Minister of Transport): Mr. Speaker, this tragic situation which has affected particularly the constituency of my hon. friend for Burin-Burgeo (Mr. Carter) has been the occasion of a very careful, detailed and extensive search and