

Election of Speaker

The list of those members who are eligible as candidates has also been placed on each member's desk. It is available at the table as well and is being placed in each polling station.

After the Clerk has unsealed the ballots, I will suggest a method of proceeding which will help to accelerate the voting process.

As we are now prepared to begin the voting procedure, may I remind all hon. members to print the first and last name of their candidate on the ballot paper. I will suggest that members leave their desks, exit through the curtains and come to the table using the doors on my left and on my right of the chair on their respective sides of the House. A clerk will issue to each member a ballot paper. After casting their ballot hon. members are asked to leave the voting area so that there will be no congestion and those voting will have privacy.

After casting their ballot hon. members are asked to leave the voting area immediately.

The polling booths are now open to vote.

(Members were issued ballots and marked their ballots in secret at voting stations.)

• (1155)

[Translation]

The Presiding Officer (Mr. Hopkins): Order, please. If there are any hon. members who have not voted and wish to do so, will they please vote now?

[English]

All members having voted I do now instruct the Clerk to proceed with the counting of the ballots after I have cast my ballot.

SUSPENSION OF SITTING

The Presiding Officer (Mr. Hopkins): Order. Before I suspend the sitting may I bring to the attention of hon. members that when the counting of ballots has been completed, the bells to call the members back to the House will be sounded for not more than five minutes. The sitting is suspended to the call of the Chair.

(The sitting of the House was suspended at 12.01 p.m.)

SITTING RESUMED

The House resumed at 12.46 p.m.

The Presiding Officer (Mr. Hopkins): Order. I must say that your conduct is excellent. May it continue in future days.

[Translation]

It is my duty to inform the House that a second ballot will be necessary.

The names of the members who are eligible for the second ballot are as follows:

Allmand, Warren
Gauthier, Jean-Robert
Milliken, Peter

Parent, Gilbert
Simmons, Roger

[English]

If any members whose names I have just read wish to withdraw as candidates for the second ballot, will they please rise in their places and state their reasons?

For the benefit of hon. members, a revised alphabetical list of candidates for the second ballot will be placed in each polling station within the next five minutes, at which time the voting will commence.

I would like to explain at this time that these lists will actually be printed in about the next four minutes.

• (1250)

Before asking hon. members to proceed to cast their ballots and while the Clerk is unsealing the ballots, may I indicate that the second ballot will be a different colour and that lists of names of candidates on this ballot have been placed in each polling station.

The polling booths are now open.

• (1315)

[Translation]

(Members were issued ballots and marked their ballots in secret at voting stations.)

The Presiding Officer (Mr. Hopkins): Order, please. If there are any honourable members who have not voted and wish to do so, will they please vote now?

[English]

All members having voted, I do now instruct the Clerk to proceed with the counting of the ballots after I have cast my ballot.

Order, please. Would the members in the House please be seated.

Before I suspend the sitting may I bring to the attention of hon. members that when the counting of the ballots has been completed the bells to call the members back to the House will be sounded for not more than five minutes.

[Translation]

SUSPENSION OF SITTING

The Presiding Officer (Mr. Hopkins): The sitting is suspended to the call of the Chair.

(At 1.19 p.m. the sitting of the House was suspended.)

SITTING RESUMED

The House resumed at 1.46 p.m.

The Presiding Officer (Mr. Hopkins): It is my duty to inform the House that a third ballot will be necessary.

The names of members eligible for the third ballot are as follows: