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PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker informed the House,—That the Clerk had laid on the Table the Eighth Report of the Examiner of Petitions for Private Bills, which was read as follows:—

Pursuant to Standing Order 99, Section 2, the Examiner of Petitions for Private Bills has the honour to present the following as his Eighth Report:—

Your Examiner has duly examined the following Petitions for Private Bills, 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 the 95th Standing Order have been complied with in each case, viz:—

Of Louis Sorbonne of Montreal, Quebec, husband of Clemence Dachet Sorbonne.

Of Eva Corker Trill of Montreal, Quebec, wife of Matthew Henry Trill.

Mr. Bowman, for Mr. Geary, from the Special Committee appointed to enquire into certain charges and allegations made by Honourable George N. Gordon, presented the Second Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

After hearing the evidence, your Committee is agreed that the charges and allegations contained in the extracts from *The Globe* newspaper, as set out in the Order of Reference, were, in fact, made upon public occasions in Hamilton, Ont., on January 6, 1932, and in Lindsay, Ont., on January 8, 1932, by the Honourable George N. Gordon, K.C., as reported in *The Globe* newspaper of Toronto, Ont., with the exception that the words "Mrs. Herridge" appear in *The Globe* of January 6, whereas the words "Mr. Herridge" were those used.

As to the statement that a new Private Car was constructed for the use of the Prime Minister at a cost to the people of Canada of \$125,000, your Committee feels that this charge is of a relatively minor character, it being a charge of extravagant expenditure, and not one of misappropriation. It finds, however, that the statements made in this respect gave an entirely erroneous