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2.00 o'clock p.m.

## PRAYERS

Mr. Speaker informed the House that the Clerk of the House had received from the Chief Electoral Officer a certificate of the election and return of Jacques Lavoie, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of Hochelaga.

Mr. Jacques Lavoie, Member for the Electoral District of Hochelaga, having taken and subscribed the oath required by law took his seat in the House.

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 OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER

*To the Clerk of the House of Commons:*

This is to certify that pursuant to a writ dated on the twenty-ninth day of August, 1975, and addressed to Mr. Gérard Provost of Montreal, in the Province of Québec, for the election of a member to serve in the House of Commons of Canada for the electoral district of Hochelaga, in the place and stead of Gérard Pelletier, who has resigned, Jacques Lavoie, 3167 Ontario Street East, Montreal, Québec, assistant technician in radiology, has been returned as elected.

Given under my hand and seal of office, this twenty-third day of October, 1975.

J.-M. HAMEL, (L.S.)  
 Chief Electoral Officer.

The item "Introduction of Bills" having been called under "Daily Routine of Business", the notice standing in the name of the honourable Member for New Westminster (Mr. Leggatt), for leave to introduce a Bill intituled: "An Act for the Parole of Dr. Henry Morgentaler";

## RULING BY MR. SPEAKER

MR. SPEAKER: I thank both honourable Members for their intervention. The reference to the citation by the Parliamentary Secretary to the President of the Privy Council (Mr. Blais) has saved me the trouble of making the reference. It seems to me to be a very clear citation.

The reference by the honourable Member for New Westminster (Mr. Leggatt) to the Steven Truscott case indeed challenges the imagination of those students of parliamentary procedure. Fortunately, perhaps, some of these miracles are possible without full explanation of how exactly the arguments were achieved. Again I can only say that it is another indication of the mastery of