in our view, no other acceptable conclusion than that there is no reasonable ground for believing that the result of the election may have been affected by reason of the non-compliance with the provisions of the Canada Elections Act that is present in this case, that is, the closing at various times between 7:00 and 8:00 p.m. of the twelve polls which should have been kept open until 8:00 p.m.

We, therefore, declare that the election of a member to the House of Commons held in the District of Humber-St. George's-St. Barbe on the 25th day of June, 1968, was valid, and that Jack Marshall was, and is, the duly elected member.

The petitioner must pay the costs of the respondent.

R. Fagan, Q.C.,
For the Petitioner.

Hon. W. J. Browne, Q.C., For the Respondent.

A Message was received from the Senate informing this House that the Senate had passed Bill C-131, An Act to amend the Customs Tariff, without amendment.

A Message was received from the Senate informing this House that the Senate had passed the following bill to which the concurrence of this House is desired:

Bill S-18, An Act respecting Canadian Order of Foresters.—Mr. Chappell.

The said bill was deemed to have been read the first time and ordered for a second reading at the next sitting of the House, pursuant to Standing Order 103(2).

On motion of Mr. Pilon, seconded by Mr. Deachman, it was ordered,— That the name of Mr. Skoberg be substituted for that of Mr. Mather on the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections.

On motion of Mr. Pilon, seconded by Mr. Deachman, it was ordered,— That the name of Mr. Nystrom be substituted for that of Mr. Mather on the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Estimates.

On motion of Mr. Pilon, seconded by Mr. Deachman, it was ordered,— That the name of Mr. Ritchie be substituted for that of Mr. Mazankowski on the Standing Committee on Regional Development.

The House resumed debate on the motion of Mr. Blair, seconded by Mr. Jerome,—That the Fourth Report of the Special Committee on Procedure of the House, presented to the House on Friday, December 6, 1968, be concurred in.

And on the motion of Mr. Stanfield, seconded by Mr. Baldwin, in amendment thereto,—That the Fourth Report of the Special Committee on Procedure of the House be not now concurred in but referred back to the Committee with instructions that it have power to recommend that proposed Standing Order