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11.00 o'clock a.m.

PRAYERS.

In observance of "Dominion Day", the ninety-second anniversary of Confederation, and to mark the presence in Ottawa of Her Majesty The Queen and His Royal Highness The Prince Philip, Members of the House, standing in their places, sang "God Save the Queen" and "O Canada".

Mr. Dinsdale, from the Standing Committee on Veterans Affairs, presented the Sixth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:

1. Under its Orders of Reference received from the House of Commons, your Committee has completed its work for the current session. The Committee has thoroughly reviewed the estimates of the Department of Veterans Affairs and has considered three items of legislation. These have all been reported to the House.

2. During the Committee's deliberations, requests were received from several veterans' groups interested in presenting briefs. The Committee heard these representations under the first item of the estimates.

3. The comprehensive review of veterans' legislation has again confirmed that Canada has, generally speaking, an adequate Veterans' Charter. The state of veterans' affairs is good. It is not perfect of course, for there always remains the necessity to adjust to ever-continuing changes in the social and personal problems of the veterans. It was to this end that amendments have been made to three major acts of the Veterans' Charter during the current session.

4. Veterans' programs today are designed to help veterans to become selfsufficient and productive members of the community. The emphasis, following World War II, was on assisting the veteran to pick up the threads of

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