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11.00 o'clock a.m.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Macquarrie, from the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, presented the Second Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:

Pursuant to the Orders of Reference dated Monday, February 9 and Tuesday, February 10, 1959, your Committee held its Organization Meeting on February 17.

On Wednesday, April 29, the House adopted the following Order of Reference:

*Ordered*,—That the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections be empowered to study the Canada Elections Act, and the several amendments thereto suggested by the Chief Electoral Officer; and to report to the House such proposals relating to the said Act as the Committee may deem to be advisable.

In consequence of a resolution of the Committee passed on May 12, the following Members were designated by the Chairman to act with himself on a subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure, namely; Mr. Deschambault, *Vice-Chairman*; Messrs. Aiken, Bell (*Carleton*), Howard, Richard (*Ottawa East*), and Webster.

At a further meeting of the Committee held on May 22, your Committee assented to a recommendation of its Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure to the effect that no exhaustive examination be made this session of The Canada Elections Act.

Your Committee held six meetings in the course of which Mr. Nelson J. Castonguay, Chief Electoral Officer, was heard and examined. Present also at these meetings was Col. E. A. Anglin, Assistant Chief Electoral Officer.

Considerable information relating to The Canada Elections Act was tabled before the Committee at the meetings either on the initiative of the Chief Electoral Officer or at the request of the Committee in the form of prepared statements, memoranda and answers to questions.