house to discuss an urgent matter of public importance. As I said before, because the Speaker does not accept the motion, some members seem to be under the impression that the Speaker does not believe that the question which the hon. member wishes to discuss is urgent and important. Because of that some hon. members appeal the decision of the Speaker. During the course of the debate two amendments were ruled out of order and they were appealed. In closing the debate the Prime Minister is reviewing what happened during the debate. I do not see any objection to what he has said up to now.

Mr. KNOWLES: Mr. Speaker, I asked you to rule whether or not the Prime Minister was in order. You have indicated that in your opinion—

Some hon. MEMBERS: Sit down.

Mr. KNOWLES: —the Prime Minister is in order. Standing order 12 states that the Speaker decides points of order, subject to an appeal to the house.

Some hon. MEMBERS: Sit down.

Mr. SPEAKER: Order. I did not decide any point of order. I just said I did not think that the Prime Minister had anything to withdraw.

Mr. KNOWLES: I raised a point of order. Under standing order 12 Your Honour has the duty of deciding on the matter raised, subject to an appeal to the house.

-Mr. SPEAKER: The hon. member knows very well that if he wishes to appeal, some other hon. members must rise in their places.

Mr. KNOWLES: Oh, well, there are plenty of us to do that.

Mr. SPEAKER: Those who are in favour of the Speaker's ruling being sustained will please say "yea."

Some hon. MEMBERS: Yea.

Mr. SPEAKER: Those against please say "nay."

Some hon. MEMBERS: Nay.

Mr. SPEAKER: In my opinion the "yeas" have it.

Mr. Speaker put the question as follows:

The question before the house is an appeal from the Speaker's ruling. The hon, member for Winnipeg North Centre (Mr. Knowles) raised a point of order to the effect that in the course of his reply in the debate on the motion to appoint a select committee the right hon, the Prime Minister imputed certain motives to the opposition members. I ruled that the Prime Minister did not.

The house divided on the question: Shall the Speaker's decision be sustained? And the decision of the chair was sustained on the, following division:

## YEAS Messrs:

Abbott Lacombe Arsenault LaCroix Beaudoin Lafontaine Beaudry Lalonde Benidickson Langlois Bertrand (Laurier) Lapoir Bertrand (Prescott) Laure Bertrand (Terrebonne) Leger Lapointe Laurendeau Boivin Lesage Bonnier Little Breithaupt McCann Brown McCubbin Brunelle McCulloch (Pictou) Chevrier Macdonald (Brantford City) Claxton McDonald (Parry Coté (Matapedia-Sound) McIlraith Matane) Coté (Verdun) McIvor Cournoyer MacKinnon Croll MacLean Cruickshank MacNaught Dechene Maloney Denis Marier Dickey Marquis Dion (Lake St. John-Roberval) Martin Matthews (Brandon) Douglas Maybank Emmerson Mayhew Michaud Eudes Farquhar Mitchell Fontaine Mullins Fournier (Hull) Mutch Gardiner Nixon Gauthier (Nipissing) Parent Gauthier (Portneuf) Pinard Gibson (Comox-Pouliot Alberni) Reid Richard (Gloucester) Gibson (Hamilton Richard (Ottawa West) Gingues East) Robinson (Simcoe Gladstone East) Glen Ross (Hamilton Golding Gour (Russell) East) St. Laurent Gourd (Chapleau) Sinclair Grant Gregg Sinnott Smith (York North) Stuart (Charlotte) Hamel Tremblay Harris (Grey-Bruce) Hartt Tucker Viau Healy Warren Howe Weir Isnor Whitman Jutras King, Mackenzie Winkler Winters-107.

## NAYS

## Messrs:

Adamson Barrett
Archibald Bentley
Argue Black (Cumberland)
Ashby Black (Yukon)
Aylesworth Blair