

Mr. Crouse: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I presume the Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce heard my question. Perhaps he would be permitted to answer.

Mr. Thomas M. Bell (Saint John-Lancaster): Mr. Speaker, I have a supplementary question. May I ask the minister if it is true that there has been a delay in the departmental investigation on this subject and if so, what is the reason for the delay?

Hon. Jean-Luc Pepin (Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce): I am not aware there has been a delay, Mr. Speaker. I received a report yesterday, and I saw an article in the paper confirming it, that the inquiry was going quite well.

HISTORIC SITES

THREATENED DEMOLITION OF SIR ROBERT BORDEN'S RESIDENCE

Mr. Heath Macquarrie (Hillsborough): I should like to direct a question to the right hon. Prime Minister concerning the threatened demolition of Clansmere, the long-time residence of Sir Robert Borden, one of his illustrious predecessors. Can he advise if the government is taking any steps to preserve this historic house for the people of Canada whom Sir Robert served so well?

Mr. Speaker: I am not sure the destruction is imminent or that the question is urgent, but in view of the fact this is the end of the session and it is difficult to suggest that the matter be debated at ten o'clock tonight, the question might be allowed.

Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, I will undertake it will not be done before the next session.

CAPE BRETON DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

INQUIRY AS TO APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

Hon. Robert L. Stanfield (Leader of the Opposition): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the Minister of Regional Economic Expansion and ask him whether the position of chairman of the Cape Breton Development Corporation, which has been vacant for some months, has been filled? If not, when we may expect such an appointment?

[Translation]

Hon. Jean Marchand (Minister of Regional Economic Expansion): Unfortunately, Mr.

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Speaker, we have not yet succeeded in finding someone to replace Mr. Fullerton, which is not an easy thing to do, but I hope to be in a position to find somebody who could fill that difficult position in the near future.

[English]

AIRPORTS

MONTREAL—MURRAY HILL LIMOUSINE SERVICE

Mr. Raymond Rock (Lachine): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Transport and I hope he does not remove himself from this question too. Has the Minister of Transport anything to report regarding the serious problems involving the Murray Hill limousine service at Dorval airport?

Hon. Donald C. Jamieson (Minister of Transport): There is a pun there but I will resist it. It is my intention, immediately the new session begins, to raise this entire matter of transport at airports in Canada with the parliamentary Committee on Transport and Communications.

DRUGS

ALLEGED INEFFECTIVENESS OF PRESCRIPTION PRODUCT

Mr. David Orlikow (Winnipeg North): Mr. Speaker, may I direct a question to the Minister of National Health and Welfare. Last July I asked the minister whether he would consider making a statement on motions based on a study released by the United States Food and Drug Directorate which showed that large numbers of prescription drugs were ineffective. Did the minister give consideration to the statement?

Hon. John C. Munro (Minister of National Health and Welfare): Mr. Speaker, I will be prepared to make a full statement on this matter. I intend to do so on motions at the first opportunity.

[Translation]

CANADIAN SOVEREIGNTY

RECOGNITION OF ARCTIC WATERS AS CANADIAN TERRITORY

Mr. Bernard Dumont (Frontenac): Mr. Speaker, I should like to put a question to the Secretary of State for External Affairs.

Can the minister tell us whether some action has been taken since the Manhattan has sailed in Northern waters, with a view to having such waters recognized as Canadian territory?