THE SENATE

Wednesday, January 24, 1962

The Senate met at 3 p.m., the Speaker in the Chair.

Prayers.

DOCUMENTS TABLED

Hon. Walter M. Aseltine tabled:

Capital budget of the National Harbours Board for the calendar year 1962, pursuant to section 80(2) of the Financial Administration Act, chapter 116, R.S.C. 1952, together with copy of Order in Council P.C. 1962-24, dated January 9, 1962, approving same. (English text).

Report of the Department of National Revenue for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1961. (English and French texts).

Capital budget of Polymer Corporation Limited for the calendar year 1962, pursuant to section 80(2) of the Financial Administration Act, chapter 116, R.S.C. 1952, together with copy of Order in Council P.C. 1962-22, dated January 9, 1962, approving same. (English text).

The following reports pursuant to section 6 of the Tariff Board Act, chapter 261, R.S.C. 1952:

- (1) Ninth report by the Tariff Board, dated April 13, 1961, relative to the investigation ordered by the Minister of Finance respecting Batting and Wadding and Coated or Impregnated Fabrics—Reference No. 125 (Textiles), (English and French texts), together with a copy of the transcript of evidence presented at public hearings; and
- (2) Tenth report by the Tariff Board, dated June 28, 1961, relative to the Investigation Ordered by the Minister of Finance respecting Hats, Caps and Related Products—Reference No. 125 (Textiles), (English and French texts), together with a copy of the transcript of evidence presented at public hearings.

Report of the Royal Commission on Transportation (W.A. MacPherson, Q.C., Chairman), Volume II, dated December 1961, together with a summary of the said report. (English and French texts).

DIVORCE

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ADOPTED

Hon. Arthur W. Roebuck, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Divorce, presented the committee's first report:

- 1. Your committee recommend that they be granted leave to sit during adjournments of the Senate, and also during sittings of the Senate.
- 2. Your committee also recommend that they be granted authority to appoint as many subcommittees as deemed necessary for the purpose of considering such divorce matters as may be referred to them by the committee and to set the quorum thereof, the subcommittee in each case to report their findings to the committee.

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, when shall this report be taken into consideration?

Hon. Mr. Roebuck: Honourable senators, there is nothing new in this report. It is the one the standing committee presents each session, and there is no change from last session. With leave, I move that it be adopted now.

Report adopted.

SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

MOTION FOR ADDRESS IN REPLY—DEBATE ADJOURNED

The Senate proceeded to consideration of His Excellency the Governor General's speech at the opening of the session.

(Translation):

Hon. Léon Méthot moved, seconded by Hon. Malcolm Hollett:

That the following Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General to offer the humble thanks of this house to His Excellency for the gracious speech which he has been pleased to make to both Houses of Parliament, namely:

To His Excellency Major-General Georges P. Vanier, Companion of the Distinguished Service Order upon whom has been conferred the Military Cross and the Canadian Forces Decoration, Governor General and Commander-in-Chief of Canada.

May it please Your Excellency:

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Senate of Canada, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to offer our humble thanks to Your Excellency for the gracious speech which Your Excellency has addressed to both Houses of Parliament.

He said: Honourable senators, in rising to move the address in reply to the Speech from the Throne, and before discussing the motion