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Prayers.

Mr. Speaker recognized the retirement of Wendy Bergeron, who served in the Finance and Human Resources section of the Legislative Assembly.

Following Oral Questions, Mr. Fraser rose on a point of order and submitted that Hon. Mr. P. Robichaud referred to the Leader of the Official Opposition as a "dictator". Hon. Mr. P. Robichaud spoke on the point of order. Mr. Speaker advised the House that he would review the Hansard and report back if necessary.

The following Private Bill was introduced and read a first time:

By Mr. Tait, Bill 52, Chartered Professional Accountants Act.

Ordered referred to the Standing Committee on Private Bills.

The following Bills were introduced and read a first time:

By Hon. Mr. Lifford,

Bill 53, An Act to Amend the Support Enforcement Act.

Bill 54, An Act to Amend the Court Security Act.

Bill 55, An Act to Amend An Act Respecting Payday Loans.

Hon. Mr. P. Robichaud gave notice that on Friday, March 28, 2014, Bill 51 would be called for second reading.

Hon. Mr. P. Robichaud, Government House Leader, announced that following Opposition Members' Business, it was the intention of government that the House resolve itself into a Committee of Supply to consider certain estimates.

Debate resumed on the adjourned debate on the motion that Bill 46, *Government Advertising Accountability Act*, be now read a second time.

And after some time, due to the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, Mr. Urquhart, the Deputy Speaker, took the chair as Acting Speaker.

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And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 46 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the negative.

The Order being read for second reading of Bill 15, *An Act to Amend the Political Process Financing Act*, a debate arose thereon.

Mr. Riordon rose on a point of order and submitted that Mr. Boudreau was out of order as he used a wastebasket as a prop during his speech. Mr. Deputy Speaker ruled the point well taken.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 15 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 15, *An Act to Amend the Political Process Financing Act*, was read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House.

Mr. Deputy Speaker interrupted proceedings and announced that the time allotted for consideration of Opposition Members' Business had expired.

At 6 o'clock p.m., Mr. Deputy Speaker left the chair to resume again at 7 o'clock p.m.

7 o'clock p.m.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Deputy Speaker, at the request of Hon. Ms. Shephard, reverted to Government Motions for the Ordering of the Business of the House.

Hon. Ms. Shephard, Acting Government House Leader, announced that it was the intention of government that the House resolve itself into a Committee of Supply to consider the estimates of the Department of Finance; and the Supplementary Estimates 2012-2013, Volume I.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of Supply with Mr. C. Landry in the chair.

And after some time, Mr. Urquhart took the chair.

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At 8.32 o'clock p.m., Mr. Urquhart declared a recess and left the chair.

8.46 o'clock p.m.

The Committee resumed with Mr. C. Landry in the chair.

And after some time, due to the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, Mr. Urquhart, the Deputy Speaker, resumed the chair as Acting Speaker, and Mr. C. Landry, the Chair, after requesting that Mr. Deputy Speaker revert to Presentations of Committee Reports, reported that the Committee had had under consideration the matters referred to them, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

Pursuant to Standing Rule 78.2, Mr. Deputy Speaker put the question on the motion deemed to be before the House, that the report be concurred in, and it was resolved in the affirmative.

And then, 10 o'clock p.m., the House adjourned.