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Hon. Herménégilde Chiasson
Lieutenant-Governor

Speaker: Hon. Roy Boudreau

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Fredericton, New Brunswick**

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10 o'clock a.m.

Prayers.

Hon. Mr. McGinley, Member for Grand Lake-Gagetown, laid upon the table of the House a petition on behalf of residents of Grand Lake urging the government to restore the Grand Lake Park for the use of the citizens of the area. (Petition 37)

Mr. Speaker was pleased to deliver the following ruling with regard to a point of order raised during the previous day's sitting by Hon. Mr. Murphy:

STATEMENT BY SPEAKER

Yesterday the Government House Leader raised a point of order claiming that the Member from York North made a personal attack on the Member from Moncton East during a Member's Statement:

Rulings of successive Speakers of this House make it very clear that Members' Statements are to be used to put matters of concern on the public record; to address issues of importance to the Member or the Member's constituents.

A Member's statement is not to be used for making personal attacks.

I have read the transcript of the Member's statement from yesterday.

It is not in order to use a Member's Statement to give an account to the House of the number of times a Member rose or did not rise to speak to an issue, nor to use language that reflects poorly on a Member.

How a Member performs in the House is not a proper topic for Members' Statements.

The statement was clearly a personal attack on the Member from Moncton East.

I will be listening more carefully in the future, and Members will be sitting down if they persist in using statements in this manner.

I would ask all Members to follow these guidelines.

During Oral Questions, Mr. Speaker interrupted proceedings and requested that Mr. Robichaud withdraw the remark "acting like

a little clown” in reference to the Premier. The Member withdrew the remark.

Mr. Speaker rose and requested that Mr. Robichaud withdraw the term “liar,” which he did.

Hon. Mr. Murphy, Government House Leader, announced that it was the intention of the government that the House resume the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bills 80, 81 and 69; following which, Private Bill 73 would be called for second reading; following which, the House would resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider Bills 43, 70, 71, 74, 78, 56, 61, 62, 57, 59, 63, 72, 75 and 77.

It was agreed by unanimous consent to continue sitting through the noon recess and to adjourn at 3.30 o'clock p.m.

Debate resumed on the motion that Bill 80, *Nursing Homes Pension Plans Act*, be now read a second time.

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

And after some further time, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 80 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 80, *Nursing Homes Pension Plans Act*, was read a second time.

Debate resumed on the motion that Bill 81, *An Act to Amend the Natural Products Act*, be now read a second time.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 81 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 81, *An Act to Amend the Natural Products Act*, was read a second time.

Debate resumed on the motion that Bill 69, *Gift Cards Act*, be now read a second time.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 69 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 69, *Gift Cards Act*, was read a second time.

The following Private Bill was read a second time:

Bill 73, *An Act to Incorporate Concilium Trustees Canada Inc.*

Pursuant to Standing Rule 121, Mr. Speaker ordered Private Bill 73 for third reading forthwith.

The following Private Bill was read a third time:

Bill 73, *An Act to Incorporate Concilium Trustees Canada Inc.*

Ordered that the said Bill does pass.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole with Mr. Kenny in the chair.

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

And after some further time, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair and Mr. Fraser, the Chairman, after requesting that Mr. Speaker revert to Presentations of Committee Reports, reported:

That the Committee had directed that he report the following Bills as agreed to:

Bill 43, *An Act to Amend the Fish and Wildlife Act.*

Bill 70, *Cross-Border Policing Act.*

Bill 71, *An Act to Amend the Police Act.*

And the Committee asked leave to make a further report.

Pursuant to Standing Rule 78.1, Mr. 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, 3.15 o'clock p.m., the House adjourned.

The following documents having been deposited with the Clerk of the House, were deemed laid upon the Table of the House, pursuant to Standing Rule 39:

Documents requested in Notice of Motion 78

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