

*Octave Drapeau* and others, and of *Joseph Ray* and others, of *Ste. Anne des Monts*, all in the County of *Gaspé*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Blake*; of *D. D. Wright* and others of the Town of *Oakville*, County of *Hutton*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Macpherson*; of *L. N. Clench* and others, of the Town of *St. Mary's*, in the County of *Perth*,—and of *John Dewe* and others.

By the Honorable Mr. *Christie*; of *Charles Legge* and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the following Petitions were severally read,

Of *Apolinaire Laserte* and others, of the County of *Yamaska*, praying for the repeal of the duty on Canadian Tobacco.

Of the *London* Board of Trade; praying that the Government may take measures to remove from circulation all American coin and replace it with Dominion currency. That a duty of fifty cents per barrel on flour and meal be established on all foreign flour and meal entering the Dominion of *Canada*, and that a duty of Twenty-five cents per barrel be placed upon American salt.

Of the City Bank of the City of *Montreal*; praying for an Act to continue their charter and for other purposes.

Of *John A. Scott* and others, of the Town of *Stratford*; of *Thomas Matheson* and others, of the Village of *Mitchell*; of *R. McKay* and Brothers, and others, of the Town of *Goderich*,—and of *Shaw* and *Matheson* and others, of the Town of *Perth*, severally praying that in any legislation on the subject of Banking no change of a fundamental character may be made in the present system, and that the circulation of the Banks be preserved on its present basis.

The Honorable Mr. *Campbell* acquainted the House that he had a Message from His Excellency the Governor General under His Sign Manual, which His Excellency had commanded him to deliver to this House.

The same was then read by the Clerk, and is as follows:—

JOHN YOUNG.

The Governor General transmits for the consideration of the Senate, the Report of the Delegates appointed to negotiate for the acquisition of *Rupert's Land* and the North-West Territory.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Ottawa, 19th May, 1869.

(For Report Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled: "An Act to further amend the charter of the *Gore* Bank."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Macpherson*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Letellier de St. Just*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled: "An Act respecting the office of Speaker of the Senate of *Canada*."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Mitchell*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until next Monday week.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled: "An Act to facilitate and render less expensive the collection of Promissory Notes in certain cases."