appointed to consider and report upon the desirability of using a Form of Prayer in this Chamber.

On motion of Mr. Cartwright, seconded by Mr. Coffin,

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency the Governor General, delivered to Mr. Speaker on Friday last, together with the Estimates accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

On motion of Mr. Rymal, second by Mr. Mills,

Ordered, That the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills be extended ten days; for receiving Private Bills and Reports thereon, for a like period.

Ordered, That Mr. Bolduc have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act respecting Weights and Measures.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. Brooks have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the Saint Francis and Megantic International Railway Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Wednesday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

## (In the Committee.)

1. Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand nine hundred and fifty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, to defray salaries of the Governor General's Secretary's Office, for the year ending 30th June, 1878.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Oliver reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Mr. Oliver also acquainted the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Maitland Marine Insurance Company;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

Mr. Mackenzie, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, signed by His Excellency.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker (all the Members of the House standing and being uncovered) and is as followeth:—

## Dufferin.

## Gentlemen of the House of Commons:-

I thank you for your loyal Address, and for the assurance it conveys, that the measures to be submitted to you will receive your earnest attention.

## GOVERNMENT HOUSE, Ottawa, 17th February, 1877.