Monday, 20th March, 1899.

The Members convened were :---

The Honourable Sir CHARLES ALPHONSE PANTALEON PELLETIER, K.C.M.G. Speaker,

The Honourable Messieurs

Aikins,	Dever,
Allan,	Dickey,
Almon,	Dobson,
Armand,	Drummond,
Baird,	Ferguson,
Bernier,	Kerr,
Bolduc,	King,
Boucherville, de (C.M.G)	Landry,
Boulton.	Lewin,
Bowell (Sir Mackenzie),	Lougheed,
Carmichael,	Macdonald (P.E.I.),
Casgrain,	Macdonald (Victoria),
Clemow,	MacInnes,
Dandurand,	MacKeen,

Masson. McCallum. McDonald (C.B.), McKay, McLaren. McMillan, Merner, Mills, Montplaisir, O'Brien, Owens. Paquet, Perley,

Poiriér, Power. Primrose, Prowse, Reid, Ross. Scott. Temple, Thibaudeau (Rigaud), Vidal, Villeneuve, Wood, Yeo.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :---By the Honourable Mr. Clemow,-Of Daniel Chase Corbin, of the City of Spokane, in the State of Washington, United States of America, and John Dean, of the City of Rossland, and others, in the Province of British Columbia; of the Canadian Railway Accident Insurance Company; and of the Ottawa Electric Railway Company. By the Honourable Mr. Lougheed,—Of the Alberta Irrigation Company.

By the Honourable Mr. Landry,-Of the Quebec Steamship Company, Limited.

By the Honourable Mr. O'Brien,-Of the Canada Accident Assurance Company and of Richard Wilson Smith and others, of the City of Montreal, in the Province of Quebec, and others of elsewhere.

The Honourable the Speaker presented to the Senate,-The Report of the Joint Librarians of Parliament, which is as follows :---

TO THE HONOURABLE THE SPEAKER OF THE SENATE.

The Joint Librarians of Parliament have the honour to report for the year 1898. as follows.

The usual efforts have been made to provide room for the accumulating contents of the Library. The artistic appearance of the room has been somewhat marred by temporary shelving; but only in this way could the necessary accommodation be had.

The Statistical side of the Library has been the object of the customary attention, and it is to be hoped will be found well supplied. The Librarians respectfully point out that as it is quite impossible, with limited space and means, to provide many copies of books of reference, the rules as to the return of such volumes should be respected by members.