Skead are instructed to act on behalf of the Senate with the Committee of the House of

Commons as a Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of Printing.

And also, the Senate acquaint this House, That they have appointed the Honorable Messieurs Allan, Blake, Bourinot, Campbell, Chaffers, Chapais, Cormier, Ferguson, Hazen, Lacoste, Leonard, Locke, Macfarlane, Malhiot, Miller, Mills, Odell, Panet, Reesor and Steeves, a Committee to assist His Honor the Speaker in the direction of the Library of Parliament so far as the interests of their House are concerned, and to act on behalf of their House as Members of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Library.

And then he withdrew,

On motion of the Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, seconded by the Honorable Sir George E. Cartier,

Resolved, That when this House adjourns this day, it do stand adjourn till Thursday

next.

And then The House adjourned till. Thursday next.

## Thursday, 23rd February, 1871.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:—
By Mr. Bourassa,—The Petition of Henry Howard, M.D., and others, of St. John's,

uebec.

By Mr. Morrison (Niagara),—The Petition of the Northern Railway Company of Canada.

By Mr. Workman,—The Petition of the Dominion Board of Trade; and the Petition of the Montreal Corn Association.

By Mr. Brown,—The Petition of the Municipal Corporation of the Village of Trenton. By Mr. Bowell,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of Madoc; and the Petition of A. F. Wood and others, of the Township of Madoc, County of Hastings.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read:—

Of William Galbraith, President, and others, Members of the Toronto Corn Exchange Association; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the Toronto Corn Exchange Association.

Of the Municipal Corporation of the County of Frontenac; praying for the abolition

of Grand Juries.

Mr. Harrison, from the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee beg to recommend a reduction of their Quorum to Seven Members.

Ordered, That the Quorum of the said Committee be reduced to Seven Members.

Mr. MacFarlane, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Notices given upon the following Petitions, and find them sufficient, viz. —of the Mechanics' Bank; of *Molson*'s Bank; and of the Merchants' Bank of *Canada*; severally praying for an extension of Charter.

Your Committee beg to recommend a reduction of their Quorum to Seven Members. Ordered, That the Quorum of the said Committee be reduced to Seven Members.