By the Honorable Mr. Bureau; of George Pouliot and of Helène Fiset, widow of the late George Boissenault.

By the Honorable Mr. Ross; of Jas. Metcalfe and others, of the Province of Ontario.

By the Honorable Mr. Skead; of John Tytler and others, of the Township of Clarence; of Martin Casselman and others, of the Township of Cambridge, and of John Dow and others, of the Township of Osgoode, in the County of Russell.

By the Honorable Mr. Dumouchel; of John Hale and others, of the Village of New Glasgow,—of Pierre Desjardins, of the Township of Ste. Thérèse de Blainville, and of A. Dumas, of the Town of Terrebonne, in the County of Terrebonne.

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

Of John Baird and others, of the Townships of Ralph and McKay; of N. Bennett and others, of the Township of Algoma,—of William Brown and others, of the Township of Stafford,—of Michael Mulligan, of the Township of Bromly,—of John Bowie and others, of the Township of Ross,—of John Rankin and others, of the said Township of Ross, in the County of Renfrew, severally praying the House to take such measures as to cause the obstructions to the navigation of the Ottawa River to be removed, and an uninterrupted line to the full capacity of the leading channel, and the supply of water from the summit level to be opened throughout.

Of *F. Hudon* and others, merchants and traders, of the City of *Montreal*, praying for the repeal of the "Insolvent Act, 1864," and the amendments thereto.

A Message was brought from the House of Commons, by Mr. MacKenzie and others, in the following words :---

HOUSE OF COMMONS,

Wednesday, 21st April, 1869.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Senate, requesting that their Honors will unite with this House in the formation of a Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Legislative Printing, and informing their Honors that the Members of the Standing Committee on Printing, namely:—Messrs. Beaty, Bellerose, Bowell, Brousseau, Chamberlin, Ferguson, McDonald (Lunenburg), Mackenzie, Sénécal, Simard, Stephenson, and Young, will act as Members of the said Joint Committee on Printing.

Ordered, That Mr. Mackenzie do carry the said Message to the Senate.

WM. B. LINDSAY,

Clerk of the Commons.

And then they withdrew.

The Messengers were again called in and informed that the Senate will send an answer by a Messenger of their own.

Attest,

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

Resolved, That the Standing Committee appointed for the present Session on the subject of Printing, (viz) the Honorable Messrs. Simpson, Burnham, Reesor, Olivier, Sanborn, Dumouchel, Skead, Anderson, Lock, Steeves, Odell, and Bureau be instructed to act on behalf of this House with the Committee of the House of Commons as a Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of Printing, as desired in their Message of this day.

Ordered, That the foregoing Resolutions be communicated to the House of Commons by one of the Masters in Chancery.

The Honorable Mr. Bureau moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Ryan,

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House copies of,