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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 7TH MAY, 1880.

11 O'CLOCK A.M.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker communicated to The House the following letter:—

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR GENERAL'S SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
OTTAWA, 6th May, 1880.

SIR,—I have the honor to inform you, that His Excellency the Governor General will proceed to the Senate Chamber, to prorogue the Session of the Dominion Parliament, on *Friday*, the 7th *instant* at 4 o'clock.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

F. DE WINTON, Major R. A.,
Governor General's Secretary.

To the Honorable
The Speaker of the House of Commons:

Mr. Speaker also laid before The House,—General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the Districts of *Joliette* and *St. Francis* for the year 1879,—and Supplementary Return for the latter District for the year 1878.

One Petition was brought up, and laid on the Table.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of *Clinton Gifford* and others, of the Town of *Oshawa*; of *James A. Miller* and others, of the City of *St. Catharines*, Ontario; of *C. B. Bennett* and others, of *Port Robinson*; of *Richard J. Chadwick* and others, of the City of *Guelph*, Ontario; of *Henry Merrick* and others, of *Prescott*; of *E. Vanallan* and others, of the City of *Hamilton*; of *Henry Chappell*, of *Petit Côte Stock Farm*, and others, of the County of *Essex*, Ontario; of *G. R. Allen* and others; of *O. W. Chamberlin* and others, of the Town of *Petrolia*; of *John Christie* and others, of the Town of *Sarnia*; of *Robert Hamilton* and others, of the City of *Toronto*; of *Alpheus Brown* and others, of the Town of *Grantham*; of *D. Bevier* and others, of the Town of *St. Thomas*, Ontario; of *John Field* and others, of the Village of *Aurora*; of *John Batten* and others, of the Town of *Thorold*; of *J. E. Schiller* and others, of the City of *Toronto*; of *William Anderson* and others, of the Villages of *Elora* and *Fergus*, Ontario; of *John P. Bond*,