By the Honorable Mr. Tessier; of David Ferguson and others, of the Village of Metis, Province of Quebec.

By the Honorable Mr. Leonard; of Justus Trumner and others, of London, Province of Ontario, and of Thomas Pearson and others.

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

Of James Pilson, of the City of Ottawa; praying for compensation for services rendered to the Canadian Government as Lockmaster on the Rideau Canal.

Of "La Banque Nationale;" praying for the continuation and amendment of their Charter.

The Honorable Mr. Campbell presented to the House a Bill, intituled "An Act res-" pecting Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Hamilton

(Kingston), it was

Resolved, That the Honorable Messieurs Anderson, Archibald, Benson, Bill, A. J. Duchesnay, Ferrier, Foster, Hamilton (Kingston), Kenny, McLelan, McDonald, McMaster, Macpherson, Mitchell, Ryan, Simpson, Skead, Tessier, Wark, Wilmot, and Wilson, be appointed a Committee on Banking, Commerce and Railways, for the present Session, to whom shall be referred all Bills on those subjects.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Mr.

Hamilton (Kingston), it was

Ordered, That the Honorable Messieurs Aikins, Allan, Botsford, Burnham, Cormier, Dickson, E. H. J. Duchesnay, Ferrier, Guèvremont, Letellier de St. Just, McCrea, Malhiot, Miller, Olivier, Ritchie, Sanborn, Dever, and Steeves, be appointed a Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, with power to examine and enquire into all such matters and things as may be referred to the said Committee, to report from time to time their observations and opinions thereon, and to send for persons, papers, and records.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Mr.

Hamilton (Kingston), it was

Ordered, That the Honorable Messieurs Armand, Benson, Botsford, Christie, Dickey, Dickson, Dumouchel, Glasier, Hamilton (Inkerman), Letellier de St. Just, McLelan, McCully, McDonald, Macpherson, Miller, Mills, Price, Ross, Seymour, Shaw, and Tessier be appointed a Committee to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of the Senate for the present Session.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Hamilton

(Kingston), it was

Ordered, That the Honorable Messieurs Bureau, Burnham, Dumouchel, Holmes, Locke, Odell, Olivier, Reesor, Sanborn, and Simpson be appointed a Committee to superintend the Printing of this House during the present Session.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Hamilton

(Kingston), it was

Resolved, That the Honorable Messieurs Allan, Blake, Bourinot, Bureau, Chaffers, Chapais, Ferguson, Flint, Hazen, Lacoste, Leonard, Leslie, Miller, Mills, Odell, Reesor, Ritchie, and Ross, be appointed a Committee to assist His Honor the Speaker, in the direction of the Library of Parliament, so far as the interests of this House are concerned,