Of Charles Smallwood of the Parish of St. Martin, praying for a yearly allowance for the encouragement and support of his meteorological Observatory.

Of His Lordship the Roman Catholic Bishop of *Montreal* and others, praying that the prayer of Dr. *Smallwood's* Petition may be favorably entertained.

Of John Nickinson, late Colour-Sergeant of Her Majesty's 24th Regiment of Foot, praying for the passing of an Act granting him a lot of land which had been assigned to his late father.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return of the Liabilities and Assets of the City and District Savings Bank of *Montreal*, for the year 1858. Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table, and it is as follows:

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Honorable Mr. Vankoughnet presented to the House certain Despatches from Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, and other Documents relating to the union of the British North American Colonies.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table, and they are as follow:

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Honorable Mr. Van' oughnet reported that he had, according to Order waited on His Excellency the Governor General to know what time His Excellency would please to appoint to be attended with the Address of this House, and that His Excellency had appointed to-morrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon, at the Government House in this City, for that purpose.

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* presented to the House a Bill intituled "An "Act to amend the Act to provide for the Registration of Debentures issued by "Municipal and other Corporate Bodies."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Honorable Mr. Campbell presented to the House a Bill intituled "An Act "to amend the Acts under which Joint Stock Roads and other similar works are "constructed in Upper Canada."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Honorable Mr. Vankoughnet presented a Return to the House, showing that no commutations of Tenure have been effected in any of the Censives of the late Order of the Jesuits, or in the Seigniory of Lauzon or Censives of the Crown Domain in Three Rivers or Quebec, from the 1st March, 1858, to the 31st January, 1859.

The Honorable Mr. de Blaquière moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Alexander,