The Honorable Mr. Penny moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Odell,

That the Petition of George Frothingham Johnston, of the City of Montreal, n the Province of Quebec, praying for an act to dissolve his marriage with Charlete Elsie McArthur, be now read and received.

Which, being objected to,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was, on a divisio, resolved in the affirmative, and

The Petition of George Frothingham Johnston was then read and received.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Scott, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Pelitone, it was

Ordered, That the time limited for receiving Petitions for Private Bills be extended until Monday the 25th day of February instant.

The Honorable Mr. Aikins moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Chapais.

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor Genera, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid before this House, copies of al specifications on which tenders were invited to construct the *Lake Superior* and *Fot Garry* sections of the Canadian *Pacific* Telegraph; also, copies of all correspondence between the Government and persons tendering for the same; also, copies of al contracts for the construction of the several portions thereof.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and it was

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governo General by such Members of this House as are Members of the Privy Council.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Scott, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Pelleties it was

Ordered, That the Honorable Messieurs Alexander, Allan, Baillargeon, Bourinoi Chapais, Cornwall, Fabre, Ferguson, Haythorne, Miller, Montgomery, Reesor, Ryan Stevens, Trudel and Wilmot, be appointed a Committee to assist His Honor th Speaker in the direction of the Library of Parliament, so far as the interests of this House are concerned; and to act on behalf of this House as Members of a Joint Committee of both Houses on the Library.

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Scott, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Pelletier, it was

Ordered, That the Honorable Messieurs Aikins, Alexander, Allan, Benson, Brown, Bureau, Campbell, Chapais, Chinic, Dickey, Ferguson, Ferrier, Hamilton (Kingston), Hope, Howlan, Kaulbach, Leonard, Lewin, McClelan (Hopewell), McDonald (Toronto), McMaster, Macdonald (Victoria), Macpherson, Montgomery, Páquet, Pelletier, Price, Reesor, Ryan, Scott, Simpson, Skead, Smith, Stevens, Sutherland, Thibaudeau, Vidal, and Wilmot, 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. Scott, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Pelletier, i it was

Ordered, That the Honorable Messieurs Aikins, Alexander, Armand, Botsford, Brown, Campbell, Carrall, Chaffers, Cormier, Dickey, Dickson, Dumouchel, Girard, Grant, Hamilton (Inkerman), Leonard, McClelan (Hopewell), McDonald, (Toronto), McLelan (Londonderry), Macfarlane, Macpherson, Miller, Muirhead, Páquet, Pelletier, Penny, Pozer, Read, Ryan, Scott, Seymour, Skead, Smith, Thibaudeau and Wilmot, be appointed a Committee to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of the Senate for the present Session.