Monday, 18th March, 1861.

The Members convened were:

The Honorable Sir Nancisse F. Belleau, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Ferrier, Alexander, Masson. Quesnel, Matheson. Allan, Foster, Reesor. · McDonald, Armand, Gordon, Renaud. Boulton, Guévremont, Merritt. Ross, Hamilton, John Mills, Christie, Seymour. . (Inkerman). Crawford. Moore, Simpson, Smith, Hollis Jeffrey, DeBeaujeu, Morris. De La Terrière, Kierzkowski. Murney. Taché, Sir E. P., Dessaulles, Knowlton, Panet, Tessier, Leslie, Patton, Vankoughnet, Duchesnay, A. J.Duchesnay, E. H. J., Letellier de St. Just, Walker. Perry. Proulx, Ferrie. MacNab, Sir A. N.,

PRAYERS.

The Honorable the Speaker acquainted the House that there were two Members without ready to be introduced,

When the Honorable Adam Johnston Fergusson was introduced between the Honor

able Messieurs Morris and Christie.

Then the Honorable Mr. A. J. Fergusson came to the table and took and subscribed the oath prescribed by law, which was administered by the Clerk of this House, and took his seat accordingly.

The Honorable James Shaw was introduced between the Honorable Messieurs

Matheson and Crawford.

Then the Honorable Mr. Shaw came to the table and took and subscribed the oath prescribed by law, which was administered by the Clerk of this House, and took his seat accordingly.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid on the table:-

By the Honorable Mr. Renaud, of the Directory of La Salle L'Asile St. Joseph, Montreal; of the Reverend V. Roussalot, of Montreal; of G. L. Rolland, and others, of the City and District of Montreal; and of H. S. Beaudry and others, of the Parish of St. Antoine Abbé, in the Counties of Chateaugusy and Huntingdon.

By the Hon. Mr. Quesnel,—Of La Banque du Peuple in the City of Montreal.

By the Honorable Mr. Dessaulles, Of the Corporation of the Providence Asylum in Montreal, for the support of aged and infirm women and orphans; and of the Sisters of Charity administering the General Hospital of Montreal.

By the Honorable Mr. Patton,—Of W. J. MacDonell, Chairman of a meeting of the Shareholders of the Ontario Bank—of the President and Directors of the Ontario Bank—and of the Municipal Council of the Township of Tecumseth, in the County of Simce.

By the Honorable Mr. Panet,—Of the Ladies Committee of the Quebec Lower Town Infant School—and of Jean Langevin and others, Creditors of the District Municipal Councils of Lower Canada.