Thursday, 23rd March, 1899.

The Members convened were :---

The Honourable Sir CHARLES ALPHONSE PANTALEON PELLETIER, K.C.M.G., Speaker,

The Honourable Messieurs

Aikins,	Dandurand,	Macdonald (Victoria),	O'Brien,
Allan,	Dever,	MacInnes,	Perley,
Baird,	Diekey,	MacKeen,	Poirier,
Baker,	Dobson,	Masson,	Primrose,
Bellerose,	Fiset,	McCallum,	Prowse,
Bernier,	Forget,	McDonald (C.B.),	Reid,
Bolduc,	Kerr,	McKay,	Sanford,
Boucherville, de (C.M.G)		McLaren,	Scott,
Boulton,	Kirchhoffer,	McMillan,	Temple,
Bowell (Sir Mackenzie),	Landry,	McSweeney,	Vidal,
Carmichael,	Lewin,	Merner,	Villeneuve,
Casgrain,	Lougheed,	Mills,	Wood.
Clemow,	Macdonald (P.E.I.),	Montplaisir,	Yeo.

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honourable Sir Mackenzie Bowell,—Of M. M. Tait and others, in the City of Montreal, in the Province of Quebec.

By the Honourable Mr. Clemow,—Of Daniel Chase Corbin and others, of the City of Spokane, in the State of Washington, United States of America.

By the Honourable Mr. Forget,—Of William Christie and others, of the City of Toronto, in the Province of Ontario; of the Richelieu and Ontario Navigation Company; and of La Banque du Peuple.

By the Honourable Mr. Baird,—Of the Honourable John Costigan and others, of Ottawa and elsewhere.

By the Honourable Mr. Dandurand, -Of the Sun Life Assurance Company.

By the Honourable Mr. Aikins,—Of David Stock, of the City of Toronto, in the County of York, in the Province of Ontario. (Two Petitions re Divorce.)

By the Honourable Mr. Mills,—Of the Municipal Council of the County of Middle sex; and of the Municipal Council of the County of Peterborough, all in the Province of Ontario.

By the Honourable Mr. Lougheed,—Of the Bank of Nova Scotia, in the City of Halifax, in the Province of Nova Scotia.

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

Of the Ottawa and Gatineau Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act amending their Act of Incorporation, extending the time for the completion of certain portions of its line and for other purposes.

Of the Pontiac Pacific Junction Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act extending the time for commencing and completing its extensions already authorized, and for other purposes.

Of Henry Allan Olney and others; praying to be incorporated as "The St. Clair and Erie Ship Canal Company," or for an Act to revive and amend the Act incorporating the said Company.

Of the Atlantic and North-West Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act extending the time for the completion of its railway.