The Honorable the Speaker informed the House that he had received the following letter from the Reverend J. S. Lauder:-

OTTAWA, June 14th, 1869.

DEAR SIR,—I hope you will agree with me that I am right in asking you for the \$200 voted last year for the services of a chaplain to the Senate. On the 12th of March, 1868, I undertook the duties for the late Dr. *Adamson*, to whom you had given leave of absence on account of ill health. But his resignation having been accepted on the 24th of April following, I still continued to perform the duties, with your consent and the approval of the Government, and I considered myself acting for the Senate until a chaplain was appointed, which was not done till April 26th of this year. Under these circumstances, 1 think 1 may fairly claim the salary of last year, and I beg respectfully that you will kindly order it to be paid to me.

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Yours very truly,

J. S. LAUDER.

The Honorable Joseph Cauchon,

Speaker of the Senate.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Mitchell*; it was

Ordered, That the said letter from the Reverend J. S. Lander aforesaid be referred to the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the contingent accounts of the Senate for the present session,

The Honorable Mr. Skead moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Burnham,

That an humble address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House, detailed information respecting the expenditure upon and repairs of the *Greaville* and *Carillon* Canal, during the last three years, together with papers and petitions connected therewith; also a statement of the tonnage of the vessels which have passed up and down the said canal during those years; and also copies of all correspondence, petitions, and other papers relating to the dam proposed to be built upon the Ottawa River at Greaville, for the purpose of supplying the said Canal with water during the season of low water.

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

Ordered, That such members of the Privy Council as are members of this House do wait upon His Excellency the Governor General with the said Address.

The Honorable Mr. Skead moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Leslie,

That an humble address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to order to be laid before this House, a detailed account of all expenditure on the *Ridean* Canal since the year 1864 to the present date; copies of all Reports and papers relating thereto. Also a statement of all new structures, as bridges and dams, which have been built since 1864, the Orders in Council relating thereto, the cost of each and to whom paid. A statement of any appropriations which have been made for repairs or new works within the period named and the manner in which they were expended. Also a statement of the amount of water power unsold or unleased and where situated, and the quantity of (late) ordnance lands, if any, which may not be required for the use of said Canal.

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

Ordered, That such Members of the Privy Council as are Members of this House, do wait upon His Excellency the Governor General with the said Address.

A Message was brought from the House of Commons by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled: "An Act to enable James Blanchfield Smith to obtain an extension of a patent "of a certain invention," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.