Pursuant to the Order of the Day the following Petition was read :---

Of the Dominion Board of Trade ; praying for the passing of an Act to consolidate, amend, and add to the existing Inspection Laws.

The Honorable Mr. Letellier de St. Just moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Wilson.

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid before this House copies of all Correspondence relating to the Fisheries since the last return made to Parliament; also copies of all Correspondence relating to the Joint Commission appointed by the Government of Great Britain and the United States.

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 on His Excellency the Governor General with the said Address.

The Honorable Mr. Mitchell presented to the House certain correspondence between the Government of the Dominion, and the Imperial Government on the subject of the Fisheries, with other documents relating to the same.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table, and it is as follows :

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Honorable Mr. Simpson, from the Joint Committee of the Senate and House of Commons, on the Printing of Parliament, presented their First Report. Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMITTEE ROOM,

25th February, 1871.

The Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament beg leave to submit the following as their first Report.

The Committee recommend that their Quorum be reduced to seven Members.

The Committee would also recommend that the following document be printed :

Statement of Expenditure charged to unforeseen expenses in the fiscal year from 1st July, 1870, to 18th February, 1871. All which is respectfully submitted.

J. SIMPSON, Chairman.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Simpson, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Mitchell, it was

Ordered, That the said Report be adopted.

Then on motion of the Honorable Mr. Mitchell, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Wark,

The House adjourned.