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

Of Robert Armour of the Town of Bowmanville in the Province of Ontario, Solicitor for the Provisional Directors of the London and Canada Bank; praying that the Act incorporating the said Bank may be amended so as to allow the Bank to commence business when two millions of dollars of Stock shall have been subscribed, and two hundred thousand dollars paid thereon, and that the time for organizing the said Bank may be extended to the twenty-sixth day of May, 1876.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Vidal, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Cochrane, it was

Ordered, That the reading of the Petition of Henry W. Peterson of the Town of Guelph, in the Province of Ontario; praying for the passing of an Act to dissolve his marriage with Emma Grange be postponed until Monday, the 15th instant.

The Honorable Mr. Letellier de St. Just, Minister of Agriculture, acquainted The House that he had a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, under his sign manual, which His Excellency had commanded him to deliver to this House.

The same was then read by the Clerk, and is as follows:-

DUFFERIN.

Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate,-

I thank you heartily for your Address, and for the assurances of support which it contains. I rely with confidence on your assistance in my efforts to advance the interests of the Dominion.

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The Honorable Mr. Scott, Secretary of State, acquainted the House that he had a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, under his sign manual, which His Excellency had commanded him to deliver to this House.

The same was then read by the Clerk, and is as follows:-

DUFFERIN.

The Governor General transmits, for the information of the Senate, copies of a correspondence which has taken place with Her Majesty's Government on the subject of a Bill passed in the last Session of the Dominion Legislature entitled "An Act to regulate the Construction and Maintenance of Marine Electric Telegraphs."

GOVERNMENT House, February, 1875.

(For Correspondence Vide Sessional Papers.)

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

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The same was then read by the Clerk and is as follows: