

two Petitions of *Les Sœurs de L'Asile de la Providence* of the City of *Montreal*; and the Petition of *L'Union St. Jean Baptiste* of the Village of *St. Jean Baptiste*, Parish of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Jobin*,—The Petition of *P. Rottot*, of the Parish of *St. Jean Baptiste de Rouville*.

By Mr. *Huot*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Roch de Québec* (South).

By Mr. *Haulain*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of *Peterboro'*.

By Mr. *Dunsford*,—The Petition of Mrs. *Margaret Grimes*, widow, and others, the children and executors of *James Grimes*, late of the Township of *Mariposa*, County of *Victoria*, yeoman, deceased.

By Mr. *Price*,—Two Petitions of *Joseph Boulliane*, Senior, and others, of the Township of *Bergeronnes*; two Petitions of *Joseph Chamberland*, and others, of the Township of *Tadousac*; and two Petitions of the Reverend *R. Boily*, and others, of the Township of *Esroumains*, all of the County of *Saguenay*; the Petition of *C. Dufour*, and others, of the Village of *Chicoutimi*; and the Petition of *Léandre Girard*, and others, of the Township of *Tremblay*, both of the County of *Chicoutimi*.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *J. S. Macdonald*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Scicotte*,

The House adjourned until Monday next.

### Monday, 16th February, 1863.

Mr. Speaker communicated to the House a Report of the Librarian of the Legislative Assembly on the state of the Library of Parliament, which is as followeth:—

*To the Honorable the Legislative Assembly of Canada, in Provincial Parliament Assembled—*

The Report of the Librarian, upon the state of the Library of Parliament,

RESPECTFULLY SHEWETH:

That during the past year, additions have been made to the Library by the importation from *Europe* of many valuable and interesting publications, that have emanated from the press within that period. A list of these works has been printed, for the information of Members.

This supplementary catalogue will also include lists of the English, French, American, and Canadian pamphlets added to the Library since 1858. The Pamphlet Collection has now become of considerable extent and importance. In it will be found many scarce and curious tracts, issued from the Canadian press since the settlement of the country, and which are of great value in an historical and political point of view. The contents of these volumes have been heretofore but little known, but with the aid of a printed catalogue they will now be made accessible to all who may be desirous of information upon the multifarious topics they embrace.

Amongst the books added to the Library since last Session, special mention should be made of the "*Chalcographie Musée Royal*," in eighty-one folio volumes. This splendid work was lately purchased at auction in *Montreal*. It consists of upwards of 5,000 line engravings, illustrating events in the history of *France*, or descriptive of memorable places in that country. The plates were not originally published for sale, but were engraved from time to time by royal command, and at an immense cost, for presentation to private and public libraries. The copy in our possession formerly belonged to his late Majesty *Louis Philippe*.

The past year has also witnessed the completion of the enormous collection of English Patent Specifications, from the year 1617 to 1852-3, published under the direction of the Imperial Patent Office, in *London*, in 285 folio volumes of plates, with descriptive letter press in 159 octavo volumes. This work, invaluable to all who are interested in the progress