

The Honorable the Speaker reported to the House that the Clerk of the Senate had received the following communication:—

QUEBEC, 11th March, 1873.

SIR, —
We have the honor to inform you that in consequence of the destruction of the *Quebec* Court House by fire, and the loss of some of the registers of Civil Status deposited in our office, we have been unable to prepare and digest a triplicate statement and return of the baptisms, marriages and burials that have taken place in the District of *Quebec* during the year 1872, as required by cap. 20 of the Consolidated Statutes of Lower *Canada*.

We have the honor to be, Sir,
Your very obedient Servants,
FISSET, BURROUGHS & CAMPBELL,
P. S. C.

To ROBERT LE MOINE, Esquire,
Clerk of the Senate.

Ordered, That the said letter do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Shaw* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, That the Petition presented this day, of the Dominion Board of Trade, praying for the continuance of the Insolvent Act of 1869, and its amendments, be now read. The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Petition was then read by the Clerk.

Ordered, that the same do lie on the Table.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Aikins*,

The House adjourned until Monday next, at Three o'clock in the afternoon.