

What were these Tenders?—The Tenders were for £325 per quarter.

Was there a public advertizement fixing the time for them to be given in?—There was.

Was it long after giving in the Tenders that you were notified that your offer was accepted?—I believe the same day.

Have you a Contract before a Notary with the Deputy Post Master General?—Yes, before Mr. *Scott*, Notary.

Does it state the time in which the Mails are to arrive at each place?—Yes, they are to arrive at seven in the morning in both Towns, and we are liable to a penalty of 10s. for delay, unless the state of the roads should render a delay unavoidable.

Did you make several Tenders for the last Contract?—I cannot say whether I did or not.

Had you any previous communication of the Tenders of others?—No.

Adjourned.

Saturday, 26th March, 1831.

Present :—Messrs. *Huot, Quesnel, Peck* and *Neilson*.

Mr. Neilson in the Chair.

The Chairman submitted the draught of a Report which was unanimously agreed to.

Ordered, That the Chairman do leave the Chair and Report.

The whole nevertheless humbly submitted.

J. NEILSON;
Chairman.