

*Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, Report of Engineer of Department of Public Works on the application for permission to erect a Railway Bridge across the *Lachine* Canal on the line of *Wellington* Street, and all papers connected therewith.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Privy Council.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

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Tuesday, 28th February, 1871.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Statement of the *Northumberland and Durham* Savings Bank, 30th Nov., 1870. (*Sessional Papers No. 11.*)

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :—

By Mr. *Crawford* (*Leeds*),—The Petition of the *Quebec* Bank.

By Mr. *Pelletier*,—The Petition of *John George Crebassa*, of the Town of *Sorel* in the County and District of *Richelieu* in the Province of *Quebec*, in the Dominion of *Canada*, Esquire, Notary.

By the Honorable Mr. *Connell*,—The Petition of *W. Brydone Jack*, President of the the University of *New Brunswick*.

*Frederick M. Pearson*, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of *Colchester*, having previously taken the Oath, according to Law, and subscribed before the Commissioners the Roll containing the same, took his seat in the House.

On motion of the Honorable Sir *George E. Cartier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Tilley*,

*Ordered*, That the Committee on the Library be instructed to enquire into the remuneration, classification and duties of the Librarian and other officers and servants employed in the Library of Parliament, with a view to a re-arrangement of that service.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Sir *George E. Cartier* have leave to bring in a Bill to make temporary provision for the Election of Members to serve in the House of Commons of *Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

The Honorable Sir *George E. Cartier*, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council delivered to Mr. Speaker, a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, signed by His Excellency.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as followeth :—

LISGAR.

The Governor General transmits for the information of the House of Commons, the accompanying papers relative to the proposed union of *British Columbia* with the Dominion of *Canada*. (*Sessional Papers No. 18.*)

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

*Ottawa*, 27th February, 1871.