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

By the Honorable Mr. Shaw, of the Dominion Board of Trade.

By the Honorable Mr. Christie, of the Municipal Council of the Township of Nissouri, in the Province of Ontario.

By the Honorable Mr. Flint, of W. S. Williams and others, and of Alexander Heney and others, of Napanee, in the Province of Ontario.

By the Honorable Mr. Leonard, of the Board of Trade of the Town of St. Thomas, in the Province of Ontario.

By the Honorable Mr. McMaster, of the Isolated Risk Fire Insurance Company of Canada; and of the Huron and Ontario Ship Canal Company.

By the Honorable Mr. Cochrane, of The St. Francis and Megantic International Railway Company.

By the Honorable Mr. Macpherson, of the Municipal Council of the Townships of St. Vincent and Collingwood, in the County of Grey, and Province of Ontario.

By the Honorable Mr. Letellier de St. Just,—of Claude Melançon and others,—and of C. H. Letourneux and others, of the City of Montreal.

By the Honorable Mr. Campbell, of the Municipal Council of the Township of Whitchurch, in the Province of Ontario.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were severally read:

Of the Board of Trade of the Town of Cobourg; and of the Board of Trade of the City of Ottawa, in the Province of Ontario, severally praying for the continuarce of the Insolvent Act of 1869, and its amendments.

Of the Quebec Harbor Commissioners, praying for aid either by increasing Tonnage dues on vessels frequenting the harbor or otherwise, and that the rights of the Bondholders remain as they now are.

Of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of Darlington, Ellice, North Easthope, Logan, Ekfrid, Edwardsburgh, Lanark and Ashfield, of the Corporation of the Town of Bowmanville, and of John McLeod and others, of the said Town of Bowmanville, all in the Province of Ontario, severally praying for the passing of an Act prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors as beverages in the Dominion of Canada.

The Honorable Mr. Campbell presented to the House a copy of an agreement made on the 1st of February, 1873, between Sir Hugh Allan, of the City of Montreal, Shipowner, and the Honorable Alexander Campbell, Postmaster General of the Dominion of Canada. Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table, and it is as follows:

(Vide Sessional Papers.)

The Honorable Mr. Aikins presented to the House a Return of the distribution of the Dominion Statutes of Canada for the Fifth Session of the First Parliament, 1872.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table, and it is as follows:—