By the Honorable Mr. Leonard; of the Corporation of the City of London, in the Province of Ontario.

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

Of the Honorable William McMaster; and others, of Canada and the United States; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the "Detroit River Transit Company," for the object of constructing a Tunnel under, or a Bridge over the Detroit River.

Of the Great Western Railway Company; praying that the Petition of the Honorable William McMaster and others, of Canada and the United States; for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the "Detroit River Transit Company," be granted reserving to the Great Western Railway Company full right to participate in the advantages to be secured thereby.

Of the Great Western Railway Company; praying for certain amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of Allan Gilmour and others, of the District of Ottawa and its vicinity; praying that the Senate will resolve that it is unnecessary to adopt any further proceedings in the case of the Honorable Aimé Lafontaine.

Of the Board of Trade of the City of Ottawa; praying that in a re-adjustment of the Tariff for Canada, the Revenue Duty be so levied, that it will operate as an incidental protection to such manufactures as require it, and that the hostile Tariff of the United States be met by a Tariff of our own, having the same tendency.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of Lanark, in the Province of Ontario; praying for the removal of the Excise duty on Refined Petroleum Oil.

Of Alexander Workman, President of the Ottawa Board of Trade, and others of the city of Ottawa; praying for a Patent Law similar to that of England, or the granting of Patents to Inventors alone, irrespective of nationality or residence, but in all cases requiring the establishment and continuous operation of the Invention in the Dominion.

Of P. Wright and others, of the Township of Hull, in the Province of Quebec, and of Edward Haycock and others, of the City of Ottawa, severally praying that certain Letters Patent granted to one Joseph Smith, of the Township of Hull, securing to him the exclusive right of ferriage from the shores of the river Ottawa, within the limits of the City of Ottawa, and one mile above and below Haycock's Point, in the Township of Hull, on the opposite side of the river, be declared null and void, and the public relieved from the monopoly now enjoyed by the said Joseph Smith.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Mitchell, it was

Ordered, That the Honorable Messieurs Skead and Steeves be added to the Committee appointed to superintend the Printing of this House during the present Session,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mr. , it was Resolved, That the Standing Committee appointed for the present Session, on the subject of Printing, viz.: The Honorable Messieurs Bureau, Dumouchel, Locke, Olivier, Sanborn, Burnham, Holmes, Odell, Reesor, Simpson, Skead, and Steeves, be instructed to act on behalf of this House with the Committee of the House of Commons as a Joint Committee of both Houses, on the subject of Printing, as desired in their Message of this day.