

By the Honorable Mr. *Dumouchel*; of *John Hale* and others, of the Village of *New Glasgow*; of *Pierre Desjardins*, of the Township of *Ste. Thérèse de Blainville*; and of *A. Dumas*, of the Town of *Terrebonne*, in the County of *Terrebonne*.

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

Of *John Baird* and others, of the Township of *Ralph and McKay*; of *N. Bennett* and others, of the Township of *Algoma*; of *William Brown* and others, of the Township of *Stafford*; of *Michael Mulligan* and others, of the Township of *Bromly*; of *John Howie* and others, of the Township of *Ross*; of *John Rankin* and others, of the said Township of *Ross*, in the County of *Kennew*, severally praying the House to take such measures as to cause the obstructions of the navigation of the *Ottawa River* to be removed, and an uninterrupted line to the full capacity of the leading channel, and the supply of water from the summit level to be opened throughout.

Of *F. Hudon*, and others, merchants and traders, of the City of *Montreal*, praying for the repeal of the "Insolvent Act, 1864," and the amendments thereto.

A Message was brought from the House of Commons, by Mr. *MacKenzie* and others, in the following words :—

HOUSE OF COMMONS,
Wednesday, 21st April, 1869.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Senate, requesting that their Honors will unite with this House in the formation of a Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Legislative Printing, and informing their Honors that the Members of the Standing Committee on Printing, namely:—Messrs. *Beaty, Bellerose, Bowell, Brousseau, Chamberlin, Ferguson, McDonald (Lunenburg), Mackenzie, Sénécal, Simard, Stephenson* and *Young*, will act as Members of the said Joint Committee on Printing.

Ordered, That Mr. *Mackenzie* do carry the said Message to the Senate.

Attest, Wm. B. LINDSAY,
Clerk of the Commons.

And then they withdrew.

The Messengers were again called in and informed that the Senate will send an answer by a Messenger of their own.

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

Resolved, That the Standing Committee appointed for the present Session on the subject of Printing, (viz): the Honorable Messieurs *Simpson, Burnham, Reesor, Olivier, Sanborn, Dumouchel, Skeud, Anderson, Locke, Steeves, Odell* and *Bureau*, 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.

Ordered, That the foregoing Resolution be communicated to the House of Commons by one of the Masters in Chancery.

The Honorable Mr. *Bureau* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ryan*,

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House copies of—

1st. All papers and documents relating to the accusation, trial and condemnation of the Revd. *John McMahon*, a Roman Catholic Priest, after the invasion of Fenians in the County of *Welland*, in the Province of *Ontario*, on the second day of June, 1866.

2nd. All Petitions and memorials praying for the pardon of the said Revd. *John McMahon* or the commutation of his sentence.

3rd. Any notes or reports of the Judge who presided at the trial of the said Revd. *John McMahon*, addressed to the Governor in Council, and all Reports of Council or Orders in Council on the above subject.