Friday, 24th March, 1899,

The Members convened were :--

The Honourable Sir CHARLES ALPHONSE PANTALÉON PELLETIER, K.C.M.G., Speaker,

The Honourable Messieurs

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honourable Mr. Clemow,—Of the Bronson and Weston Lumber Company (Limited); of the Bedlington and Nelson Railway Company and of H. J. Beemer and others of the city of Ottawa.

By the Honourable Mr. Macdonald (Victoria),—Of Edward F. Fauquier and others, of the City of Ottawa, and others of elsewhere in the Province of Ontario.

By the Honourable Sir John Carling,—Of the Calvin Company (Limited); and of the London Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Canada.

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

Of the Brandon and South-Western Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act granting them power to extend their line, and to change the head office from Winnipeg to Brandon;—and

Of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to build branch lines from the Stonewall Branch northerly to Lake Winnipeg; from Lake Winnipeg to Marsh Point; from the Souris Branch to the Moose Mountains, on to Regina, and to issue bonds thereupon in lieu of certain consolidated debenture stock.

The Honourable Mr. Clemow presented to the House the following Certificate from the Clerk of the Senate :---

OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE SENATE, OTTAWA, 24th March, 1899.

In the matter of Annie Inkson Dowding, Petitioner for a Bill of Divorce.

I hereby certify that I have received from the Petitioner the sum of two hundred' dollars, in accordance with Rule 108 of this House.

EDOUARD J. LANGEVIN,

Clerk of the Senate.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.