

## PRAYERS.

The following Petition was brought up, and laid on the Table :—

By the Honourable Mr. Macdonald (Victoria),—Of Joseph Ruse and others, of Ottawa, in the Province of Ontario.

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

Of the Nakusp and Slocan Railway Company ; praying for the passing of an Act granting them power to construct and operate such branch lines as may be authorized by His Excellency the Governor in Council.

Of R. Bickerdike and others ; praying to be incorporated under the name of "The Lake Champlain and St. Lawrence Ship Canal Company."

Of R. Préfontaine and others, of the City of Montreal, in the Province of Quebec ; praying to be incorporated under the name of "The North Shore Electric Railway Company."

Of the Queenston Heights Bridge Company ; praying for an extension of time for the commencement and completion of their work.

Of the Brockville and St. Lawrence Bridge Company ; praying for the passing of an Act confirming and ratifying a certain amalgamation and consolidation, and extending the time for the completion of their bridge.

Of the Ottawa and Gatineau Railway Company, and the Pontiac and Pacific Junction Railway Company ; praying for the passing of an Act incorporating them under the name of "The Ottawa Interprovincial Bridge Company" ;—and

Of the Montreal and Southern Counties Railway Company ; praying for the passing of an Act amending their Act of Incorporation.

The Honourable Mr. Mills, Minister of Justice, presented to the Senate,—Copies of Orders in Council of the 17th and 26th August, 1897, appointing James Morrow Walsh Chief Executive Officer of the Government in the Yukon Territory.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers, No. .*)

The Honourable Mr. Gowan, from the Standing Committee on Divorce, presented their Fifth Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk, and it is as follows :—

THE SENATE,

COMMITTEE ROOM No. 28,  
MONDAY, 14th March, 1898.

The Committee on Divorce beg leave to make their Fifth Report, as follows :—

In obedience to the Order of Reference made Wednesday, the ninth day of March instant, Your Committee have heard and inquired into the allegations set forth in the preamble of the Bill (A) intituled : "An Act for the relief of Robert Augustus Baldwin Hart," and have taken evidence touching the same, and the right of the Petitioner to the relief prayed for.

And Your Committee report herewith the testimony of the witnesses examined and all papers and instruments put in evidence before Your Committee.

Your Committee recommend that the said Bill be passed with the following amendments, which are necessary to make the Bill in accordance with the evidence adduced before Your Committee :—

*In the Preamble.*

Line 4.—Leave out "four" and insert "five."

Lines 10 and 11.—Leave out "four children" and insert "five children, four of whom are now living.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JAS. ROBT. GOWAN,  
*Chairman.*