

The Honourable Mr. Macdonald (Victoria), from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their First 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. 8,

TUESDAY, 15th September, 1896.

The Standing Committee on Standing Orders have the honour to make their First Report.

Your Committee have examined the following Petitions and find that sufficient notice has been given in each case :—

Of the Ottawa, Arnprior and Parry Sound Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act confirming a certain deed of amalgamation with the Parry Sound Colonization Railway Company, and for other purposes.

Of John Ross, of Niagara Falls, in the Province of Ontario, and others of elsewhere; praying for the passing of an Act granting them power to construct, operate and maintain a line of railway from Port Churchill on Hudson's Bay, through various points to Calgary, in the District of Alberta, and for other purposes.

Of the Montreal, Ottawa and Georgian Bay Canal Company; praying for the passing of an Act extending the time for the commencement and completion of their proposed works.

Of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada; praying for the passing of an Act confirming a certain agreement entered into with the Canadian Pacific Railway Company.

Of the Honourable Richard Harcourt and others, of the Town of Welland, in the Province of Ontario; praying for the passing of an Act incorporating them as the Mather Bridge and Power Company.

Of D. Tisdale, President of the St. Clair and Erie Ship Canal Company; praying for the passing of an Act reviving and amending the company's Act of incorporation and extending the time for the construction of the said work.

Of the Eastern Trust Company; praying for the passing of an Act authorizing them to invest their funds in other securities besides those they are empowered to do by their Act of incorporation.

Of the Georgian Bay Ship Canal and Power Aqueduct Company, a company incorporated by the Legislature of the Province of Ontario; praying for the passing of an Act by the Parliament of the Dominion of Canada, ratifying, confirming and allowing the powers, rights and privileges granted them by the said legislature;—and

Of the Reverend R. C. Horner, B.A., and others of the Dominion of Canada; praying for the passing of an Act incorporating them under the name of "The Wesleyan Methodist Connection in the Dominion of Canada."

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. J. MACDONALD,

*Chairman.*

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honourable Mr. Macdonald (Victoria) presented to the Senate a Bill (G) intituled: "An Act to incorporate The Wesleyan Methodist Connection in the Dominion of Canada."

The said Bill was read a first time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday, the 21st instant.

The Honourable Mr. Aikins moved, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Vidal, That His Honour the Speaker be requested to issue an Order prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors within the precincts of the Senate.