

of all applications of said proprietors for information made either to the Government, to the Engineers or to the Department of Public Works as to the quantity of land required for such enlargement between the same dates, 1st March, 1875, and 10th March, 1877;—also copies of all offers, proposals and arrangements submitted by the said proprietors to the Government, to the Engineers or to the Department of Public Works—and of all offers, proposals and arrangements submitted by the Government, the Engineers, or the Department of Public Works, to the said proprietors, between the said dates of the 1st March, 1875, and 10th March, 1877;—also copies of all reports made by arbitrators or valuers on the value of the lands of such riparian proprietors on the said Canal, within the said period, from 1st March, 1875, to 10th March, 1877;—also copies of all reports made by the Engineers to the Government, or to the Department of Public Works, on the value of the said lands, and on the offers, proposals or arrangements made or proposed by such proprietors to the Government, or by the Government to such proprietors, within the said period, from the 1st March, 1875, to 10th March, 1877;—also copies of all contracts entered into between such proprietors and the Government, or the Department of Public Works, in relation to the lands required for the enlargement of the *Lachine* Canal, between the 1st March, 1875, and the 10th March, 1877. (*Sessional Papers, No. 23.*)

Mr. *Rymal*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the notices given on the following Petitions, and find them sufficient, viz:—Of the *Canada Southern Railway Company*, for an Act authorizing and confirming the scheme of arrangement entered into and in relation to the affairs of the said Company;—Of the *National Insurance Company*, for an Act empowering them to reduce their Capital Stock, to make special assessments on their Stock, and for further amendments to their Act of incorporation;—Of the *Bank of Liverpool, N.S.*, for an Act empowering them to reduce the nominal value of their present shares, to issue preferential stock, and for other purposes;—Of *David Fisher*, of the City of *Toronto*, and *Jane Malvina Draper*, of the Town of *Whitby*, Widow, for an Act sanctioning the sale of the *Port Whitby Harbour* and vesting in a purchaser, the said property, including the franchise of the *Port Whitby Harbour Company*;—Of the *Brockville and Ottawa Railway Company*, for an Act empowering them to amalgamate with the *Canada Central Railway Company*, to consolidate their indebtedness, to reduce their expenses of management, and for facilitating the extension of the amalgamated lines;—Of the *Canada Central Railway Company*, for an Act empowering them to amalgamate with the *Brockville and Ottawa Railway Company*, to consolidate their indebtedness, to reduce their expenses of management, and for facilitating the extension of their line;—Of the *Ontario Mutual Life Assurance Company*, for an Act of Incorporation;—Of *George F. Johnston*, of the City of *Montreal*, for the passing of an Act to declare his marriage with *Charlotte Elsie McArthur* to be dissolved, and that he be divorced from her;—Of *La Société de Construction Mutuelle*, for an Act empowering them to change the name of the said Society, to that of *La Société de prêts et placements de Québec*, and for other purposes;—Of the *Ontario Express and Transportation Company*, for an Act of incorporation;—Of the *Quebec Fire Assurance Company*, for amendments to their Act of incorporation, and the Acts amending the same;—Of the *Merchants' Bank of Canada*, for an Act empowering them to reduce their capital stock, and for other purposes;—Of the *Dominion Grange Mutual Fire Insurance Association*, for an Act empowering them to insure their members against loss or damage by fire in any part of *Canada*, and to establish in connection with said Association a Mutual Benefit Branch;—Of the Reverend *R. A. Fyfe*, President, and *J. L. Jampbell*, Secretary of the *Regular Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of Ontario and Québec*, for an Act of incorporation;—Of the *Agricultural Mutual Assurance Association of Canada*, for an Act empowering them to change the name of the said Association to that of the *London Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Canada*, and to make further amendments to their