

find them sufficient, viz :—Of *Donald A. Smith*, M.P., and others, for incorporation of the *Central Canada Telegraph Company*,—of *Donald A. Smith*, M.P., and others, for amendments to the Act incorporating the Bank of *Manitoba*,—and of *M. H. Gault* and others, for incorporation of the *Alliance Assurance Association of Canada*.

On the Petition of the *St. Francis* and *Megantic* International Railway Company, no notice was given ; but as the consent of all the Shareholders is proven, they beg to recommend a suspension of the Rule on this Petition.

Your Committee have considered the following Petitions, praying for leave to present Petitions for Private Bills, notwithstanding the expiration of the time limited therefor ; and the reasons assigned for the delay in each case are such as to justify a recommendation that leave be granted, viz :—Of *Louis A. Jetté*, M.P., on behalf of the *Colonial Building and Investment Association*,—of the same, on behalf of the *Montreal Credit Company*,—of the same, on behalf of the *International Express Company*,—of the Honorable *J. J. C. Abbott*, M.P., on behalf of the *Lower Canada Investment and Agency Company (Limited)*,—of the same, on behalf of the *Montreal Northern Colonization Company*, for authority to construct a Railway Bridge between *Hull* and *Ottawa*,—and of the Honorable *John Hamilton*, on behalf of the *Rouge Boom Company*.

In view of the probability of an early close of the Session, your Committee recommend that the Notice required by the 60th Rule to be given by Committees prior to the consideration of Private Bills, be reduced from a week to three days, for the remainder of the Session.

The Honorable Mr. *Macdonald*, a Member of the Queen's Privy Council, presented—Return to an Address to His Excellency, dated 4th May, 1874, for a Return of all appointments made since 1st November last, to the inside service of the Post Office Department, with the names of such Officers, dates of appointment and their salaries respectively. (*Sessional Papers, No. 29.*)

On motion of Mr. *Mills*, seconded by Mr. *Forbes*,

Ordered, That the notice required by the 60th Rule to be given by Committees prior to the consideration of Private Bills, be reduced from a week to three days for the remainder Session.

Ordered, That Mr. *McDougall (Renfrew)* have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for compulsory voting at Elections of Members of the House of Commons.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Smith (Selkirk)* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act incorporating the Bank of *Manitoba*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Smith (Selkirk)* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Central Canada Telegraph Company*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Brooks* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the issue of bonds by the *St. Francis* and *Megantic* International Railway Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Moss* have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the *Northern Railway Company of Canada* to amalgamate with the *Northern Extension Railways Company*, and to consolidate the various Acts relating to the said Company.