

Of *William L. Forsyth*, of *Quebec*, and others ; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the *Anticosti* Company.

A Motion being made and seconded, That the Petition of *Charles P. Treadwell*, of *L'Original*, Sheriff of the United Counties of *Prescott* and *Russell*, presented on Wednesday last, praying for the granting to him of a tract of land, to enable him to build Colonization Railways ; and for remuneration for certain services rendered by him, be now received ;

Mr. Speaker ruled, "That this Petition cannot be received, as the granting of the prayer thereof would involve a charge upon the Revenue."

Mr. *Bown*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Third 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 *Thomas E. Grindon*, for an Act to establish the validity of certain debentures issued by the General Sessions of the County of *Carleton*, under the authority of an Act of the Legislature of *New Brunswick*,—of the *St. Lawrence* and *Ottawa* Railway Company,—of the *Ontario* and *Erie* Ship Canal Company,—of the *Montreal, Chambly* and *Sorel* Railway Company,—of *George Laidlaw*, and others, for incorporation of the *Lake Superior* and *Fort Garry* Railway Company,—of the Hon. *L. H. Holton*, and others, for incorporation of a Company to construct a Railway along the Frontier of the Province of *Quebec*,—of *William Pryor*, and others, for incorporation of the *Halifax* Banking Company,—of the Managers of the Ministers Widows and Orphans' Fund of the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*, in connection with the Church of *Scotland*, for amendments to their Act of incorporation,—of the *St. Catharines'* Board of Trade,—and of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*, for power to create a third mortgage on the *Montreal* and *Champlain* Railroad line, by them purchased.

On the Petitions of the Western Assurance Company of *Toronto*,—and of the *British America* Assurance Company, severally praying for amendments to their Acts of incorporation,—Your Committee find that in each case the Notice does not specify the amendments, some of which are important ; but evidence having been given of the consent of the Shareholders of each Company to the amendments, at their last annual meeting, Your Committee consider the Notice sufficient.

The Petitions of the Trustees of the *Toronto* Savings Bank, for an extension of their term (under the Savings Bank Act) for ten years, is not of a nature to require the publication of Notice.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Abbott* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act incorporating the *Canada* Central Railway Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time, and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

The Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to Addresses to His Excellency the Governor General,—Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 18th April, 1872, for Copies of all despatches and correspondence between the Dominion Government and the Imperial Government, relative to the claims arising from the *Fenian* Invasion of *Canada* ; and also copies of all orders in Council or other documents relative to such claims, and of the account of the *Fenian* Brotherhood drawn up by Lord *Tenterden*. (*Sessional Papers No. 26.*)

And also, Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 16th April, 1872, for Copies of all correspondence with Lieutenant-Governor *A. G. Archibald*, of *Manitoba* and Mr. *McMicken*, Land Commissioner, regarding the *Fenian* Invasion of *Manitoba*, and the intercourse of the said Lieut.-Governor with *Louis Riel*, the leader of the rebellion