

Friday, 1st March, 1878.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:—

By Mr. *Appleby*,—The Petition of *C. Burpee* and others, of the Province of *New Brunswick*.

By Mr. *Macdougall (Elgin)*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the Town of *St. Thomas*.

By Mr. *Galbraith*,—Two Petitions of *H. W. F. Bolckow*, by his Attorney, *John G. Richardson*, and others.

By Mr. *Gibbs (Ontario South)*,—The Petition of *Eliza Maria Campbell*, of *Whitby*, County of *Ontario*, wife of *Robert Campbell*.

By Mr. *MacKay (Cape Breton)*,—The Petition of *Donald Lynk* and others, of *Lingan* and adjacent Districts, County of *Cape Breton*.

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

Of the North *Simcoe* Railway Company; praying that the Bill, now before Parliament, respecting the Northern Railway Company of *Canada*, may become law.

Of *Dallas Nowell*, and others, of the Township of *Anderdon*, County of *Essex*; praying that in the Bill, now before Parliament, relating to the *Canada* Southern Railway Company, provision may be made to secure their rights and claims for lands expropriated by the said Company.

Mr. *Rymal*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Fourth 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 *J. E. Messenett*, and others, of *New Brunswick*, for the passing of an Act empowering them to construct a Railway Bridge across the *St. Croix* River, at *St. Stephen*,—and of the Reverend *William Jolliffe*, and others, of the Town of *Bourmanville*, County of *Durham*, Province of *Ontario*, for an Act of incorporation under the name of the Missionary Society of the Bible Christian Church in *Canada*.

On the Petition of Sir *Hugh Allan*, and others, Members of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada* in connection with the Church of *Scotland*, for an Act of incorporation under the name of “The Church of *Scotland* in *Canada*,” your Committee find that notice was given in the *Canada Gazette* and only in two local papers in the Province of *Quebec*, they therefore report unfavourably on the said Petition.

Ordered, That Mr. *Appleby* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Calais* and *St. Stephen* Railway Bridge 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. *Casgrain* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act intituled: “An Act respecting *La Banque Jacques Cartier*.”

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.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, seconded by Mr. *Laflamme*,

Ordered, That Mr. *Pope (Compton)* be added to the Select Standing Committees on Public Accounts,—and on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines; and that Messieurs