

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:—
 By Mr. *Kilvert*,—The Petition of the Provisional Directors of the Union Assurance Company of *Canada*.
 By Mr. *Domville*,—The Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of *Saint John, N. B.*
 By Mr. *Ogden*,—The Petition of *William Webber* and others, of *White Haven, Port Felix* and *Torbay*, in the County of *Guysborough, Nova Scotia*.
 By Mr. *Stephenson*,—The Petition of *W. B. Peck* and others; and the Petition of *Hector Gawley* and others, of the Province of *Ontario*.
 By Mr. *Holton*,—The Petition of the *Montreal* and City of *Ottawa Junction* Railway Company.

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

Of *Richard White* and others, of the City and District of *Montreal*; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the *Gazette Printing Company*.

Of Messrs. *Ross* and Company and others, Shipowners and others, of *Quebec* and *Lévis*; praying for the adoption of such measures as will effectually prevent American vessels from being admitted to registry in *Canada*, until such time as Canadian vessels are accorded by the *United States* the same privileges as have been hitherto extended to American built vessels in *Canada*.

Of the *Côteau* and Province Line Railway and Bridge Company; praying that certain powers and privileges may be restored to them; and, also, that they may be enabled to amalgamate with the *Montreal* and City of *Ottawa Junction* Railway Company.

Of *Charles Chrasson*, Mayor, and others, of *Iles la Madeleine*; praying for the appointment of district fish and oil inspectors for the *Magdalen Islands*.

The two following Petitions were also read:—

Of *Thomas Honner* and others, Masters and owners of vessels; praying that a sufficient sum of money may be granted to open and improve the Harbour of *Kingsville* on *Lake Erie*.

Of the Reverend *F. X. Bossé* and others, of *Percé*, and other places in the County and District of *Gaspé*; praying for the construction of a breakwater or pier at *Percé*.

Mr. Speaker ruled: "That as the granting of the prayers of these Petitions would involve the expenditure of Public money, they cannot be received."

Ordered, That the Petition of the *Montreal* and City of *Ottawa Junction* Railway Company, presented this day, be now read.

And the said Petition was read and received; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to amalgamate with the *Côteau* and Province Line Railway and Bridge Company, and to change its name to that of the *Canada Atlantic* Railway Company.

Ordered, That Mr *Béchar*d have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal the Insolvency Laws now in force in the Dominion of *Canada*.

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 Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Doull* have leave to bring in a Bill relating to the protest of Inland Bills of Exchange.

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 Wednesday next.