

The Bill was accordingly read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, To-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Blanchet*, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines, presented to the House the Fifth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :—

Your Committee have considered the Bill to incorporate the *Lachine Hydraulic Works Company* ; and also, the Bill to amend the Act respecting Railways, to each of which they have made several amendments. Your Committee have also considered the Bill to incorporate the *Canada Atlantic Cable Company*, and have agreed to report the same, without any amendment.

Your Committee would recommend to your Honorable House, that the time for receiving reports on Private Bills be extended to the Fifteenth instant.

The Honorable Mr. *Cameron (Cardwell)*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the duty of enquiring into the matters mentioned in the statement of the Honorable Mr. *Huntington*, relating to the *Canadian Pacific Railway*, presented to the House the Fourth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :—

Your Committee beg leave to submit the annexed report of proceedings, taken by them this day, and to request the sanction of Your Honorable House thereto.

*Report of Proceedings taken this 7th day of May, 1873, extracted from the Minute Book of the Committee.*

*Wednesday, May 7th, 1873.*

Committee met, pursuant to adjournment.

Present :—Honorable *J. H. Cameron* (Chairman), Mr. *Blake*, Honorable Mr. *Dorion (Napierville)*, and Honorable Mr. *McDonald (Pictou)*.

Moved by Mr. *Blake*,

1. “ *Resolved*, That the Resolution of the Committee come to on 5th May instant, “touching the secrecy of its proceedings, be read.”

2. “ *Resolved*, That the said Resolution be rescinded ;” which was carried on the following division :—

Yeas :—Messrs. *Blake, Dorion* and *McDonald*.

3. “ *Resolved*, That the public be admitted during the taking of evidence before the “Committee ;” which was carried on the following division :—

Yeas :—Messrs. *Blake, Dorion* and *McDonald*.

4. “ *Resolved*, That the proceedings of the Committee, this day, be reported to the “House this day, and the sanction of the House requested thereto ;” which was carried on the following division :—

Yeas :—Messrs. *Blake, Dorion* and *McDonald*.

Honorable Mr. *Blanchet* here came into the Committee Room.

Moved by Honorable Mr. *McDonald*,

1. “ *Resolved*, That this Committee when adjourned, do stand adjourned to the second “day of July next ;” which was carried on the following division :—

Yeas :—*McDonald* and *Blanchet*.

Nays :—*Blake* and *Dorion*.

The Chairman voted for the motion.

2. “ *Resolved*, That the Committee shall meet at *Montreal*.”

3. “ *Resolved*, That the Committee do now adjourn.”

The Committee then adjourned.