

The Honorable Mr. *Langevin*, 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 1st May, 1872, for copies of all plans, reports, specifications and contracts relating to the improvement of the navigation of the Rivers *Thames* and *Sydenham*, since 1867. (*Sessional Papers No. 42.*)

And also, Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 1st May, 1872, for copies of all correspondence, reports and plans relating to the *Paspébiac* Harbor roadstead ; (first), as a Harbor of Refuge ; (second), as a winter Harbor, communicating with the Intercolonial Railway. (*Sessional Papers No. 43.*)

The Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, presented, pursuant to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, Return to an Address of the House of Commons, dated 16th April, 1872, for Copies of report of Engineers or others appointed to investigate the location of the Canal across the *St. Clair Flats*, on the *Canadian* side of the Channel, by the Government of the *United States* ; with copies of all Orders in Council, and correspondence with the Imperial Government, or others, on the subject. (*Sessional Papers No. 44.*)

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Shanly* have leave to bring in a Bill granting certain additional powers to the *Ottawa, Vaudreuil, and Montreal* 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 Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to carry into effect the provisions of the Treaty between the *United States* and *Great Britain*, signed in the City of *Washington* on the 8th May, 1871 ;

The Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Howe*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time ;

And a Debate arising thereupon ;

And it being Six of the Clock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair to resume the same at Half-past Seven o'Clock, P.M.

*Half-past Seven O'Clock, P.M.*

Pursuant to the 19th Rule of this House, the Orders respecting Private Bills were called.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to confirm an agreement made between the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada* and the International Bridge Company, and for other purposes ; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Chipman* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

*Resolved*, That the Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Senate, and desire their concurrence

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to extend the powers of the *Montreal* Telegraph Company, and for other purposes ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday next.

The House resumed the Debate upon the Question which was, this day, proposed, That the Bill to carry into effect the provisions of the Treaty between the *United States*