

Of the *Clifton Suspension Bridge Company*; praying for the passing of an Act to increase the Capital Stock of the said Company to Two hundred thousand dollars.

Of *George Secord*, and others, of the Township of *Gainsborough*, County of *Lincoln*; and of *William Gibbons*, and others, of the Town of *Ingersoll*, County of *Oxford*; severally praying for the repeal of the Insolvent Act of 1864, and amendments thereto, or suspend the operations of the said Act for a period of five years.

Of *John Campbell*, and others of the Village of *Seaforth*, County of *Huron*; of *Francis W. Whitelaw*, and others, of the Town of *Niagara*, County of *Welland*; of *J. Mather* and others, of *Angus*; and of *Thomas Warnick*, and others, of the Town of *Woodstock*, County of *Oxford*; severally praying that the clause in the Act which imposes a duty of five per cent upon the importation of Books, Magazines and Pamphlets, may be repealed.

Of *Benjamin J. Talbot*, of *Iowa Falls*, in *Harving* County, in the State of *Iowa*, one of the *United States of America*; praying for the passing of an Act to enable the granting of Letters Patent to him, for a new and useful improvement in the construction of Water Wheels.

Of the Town Council of the Town of *Niagara*; of Messrs. *Bond* and *McCollow* and others, Merchants and traders of the City of *Oswego*, State of *New York*; of the Mayor and Corporation of the City of *Milwaukee*, State of *Wisconsin*; of the Board of Trade of the City of *Oswego*, State of *New York*; and of the Board of Trade of *Toledo*, State of *Ohio*, all of the *United States of America*; and of *John Brown* and others, of the Village of *Thorold*, County of *Welland*; severally praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate the *Ontario and Erie Canal Company*, with power to build and construct a Ship Canal from the *Niagara River*, at, or near *Fort George*, in the Town of *Niagara*, to the *Welland Canal*, immediately above Lock No. 25, in the Village of *Thorold*, and to extend the same to the waters of the Upper *Niagara River*, at or near the Village of *Chippewa*.

Of *Frederick Baynton Sparkes*, of the City of *Toronto*; praying for the passing of an Act to enable the granting of Letters Patent to him for a new and useful means or process of manufacturing lubricating oil from crude petroleum.

Of the Great Western Railway Company; praying that in the Bill to confirm the settlement made with the Government, it may be declared that the holders of preference shares, may at their option take rank as ordinary shareholders.

Of Messrs. *John McPherson* and Company, and others, Manufacturers and Traders of the Province of *Ontario*; praying for the passing of an Act to extend the provisions of the Acts 27 and 28 Vic., Cap. 21, and 29, and 30 Vic. Cap. 24, so as to include the inspection of kip and calf skins in the same manner as is now provided in respect to raw-hides.

Of *Daniel A. McCall*, and others; of *Jacob McCall*, and others; of *W. C. Brown*, and others; and of *John Charlton* and others, all of the County of *Norfolk*; severally praying that the export duties levied upon pine, oak and spruce saw-logs, shingle-bolts and stave-bolts, under schedule F, of the tariff of 1868, may be repealed.

The Honorable Mr. *Langevin*, a Member of the Honorable the Privy Council, laid before the House,—Official Return of the number of copies of the Statutes (English and French Versions) distributed by the Queen's Printer to the Departments, Administrative Bodies, Officers and persons, in compliance with the Act 31, Vic., Cap. 1, Sec. 14.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 21.)

Ordered, That Mr. *Merritt* be added to the Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Wood* and the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin* be added to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to provide for carrying out of Capital Punishment within Prisons;

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

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to render Members