

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

By Mr. *Kirkpatrick*,—The Petition of the Board of Trade of the City of *Kingston*.

By Mr. *Workman*,—The Petition of *Narcisse Valois* and others, of the City of *Montreal*, interested in the trade of hides.

By Mr. *Grover*,—The Petition of the Corporation of the United Townships of *Belmont* and *Methuen*; the Petition of *Robert H. Elliott* and others, of the Township of *Asphodel*; and the Petition of the Corporation of the Township of *Dummer*.

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

Of *La Banque Jacques Cartier*; praying for a continuance of their Charter, also power to increase their capital stock, and for certain other amendments thereto.

Of *Albert Prince* and others, of the County of *Essex*; praying to be relieved from the operation of the Fishery Laws, as far as relates to the river and lakes on the border of the said County.

Of *G. M. Kinghorn* and others, Members of the Board of Trade of the City of *Kingston*; praying for an Act of incorporation.

Of *John McG. Chambers*, Reeve of the Township of *Montague*, County of *Lanark*; praying that an Act may be passed to incorporate a Company for the purpose of constructing a Railway from *Peterboro'* to *Ottawa City via Carleton Place*, and to cross the *Ottawa River* into the Province of *Quebec*, there to amalgamate with other Railways.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Cameron (Peel)* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Dominion Telegraph 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.

Mr. *Oliver* moved, seconded by Mr. *Whitehead*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, for a Return of all correspondence to and from the Government of the Dominion, not already brought down, relating to a change in our trade relations with the *United States*; And a Debate arising thereupon: The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Pelletier*, seconded by Mr. *Delorme*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence and documents relating to the establishment of Boards of Examiners for granting certificates of competency to Masters or Mates of sea-going ships, in accordance with the Statute of *Canada*, 1870, 33 *Vic.*, Chap. 17, with a statement shewing the names of the different persons forming part of those Boards of Examiners; and of the seaports where such Boards are established.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Privy Council.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Dorion*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Holton*,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Statement of the rate of interest paid by the different Savings' Banks in the Provinces of *Quebec* and *Ontario*, during the last three years, with a statement of the sums they have paid to charitable institutions during the same period.

On motion of Mr. *Currier*, seconded by Mr. *Walsh*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence between the Department of Public Works and *George Sterling*, respecting a