

No. 59.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, MONDAY, 14TH MARCH, 1881.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid before The House,—List of Stockholders of the People's Bank of Halifax, as on the 31st January, last ; in compliance with the Act 34 *Victoria*, Chapter 5, Section 12.

Also,—Statement of Affairs, and List of Shareholders of the British Canadian Loan and Investment Company (Limited), on the 31st December, 1879, in compliance with the Act 43 *Victoria*, Chapter 43.

And also,—General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the Districts of Beauce, Beauharnois, Iberville, Richelieu and Saguenay, and in the County of Compton for the year 1880, and in the District of Kamouraska, and the County of Gaspé, for the year 1879.

The Petition of the St. Lawrence Grain Company, and others, was read and received ; praying that the Montreal Harbor Commissioners may be compelled to refund the full amount of all Harbor dues improperly remitted on twelve Elevator Steamboats, said to be the private property of the said Montreal Harbor Commissioners, and their friends.

Mr. *Langevin*, from the Select Standing Committee on *Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines*, presented the Sixth Report of the said Committee, reporting the Bill No. 55 to amend the Acts relating to the New-Brunswick Railway Company, *with amendments*.

Mr. *Bowell* presented,—Return to an Order of The House of the 17th ult. ; for a Statement shewing the value for Duty at which the Iron for the construction of the Chaudière Railway Bridge was entered, the addition made to said value by the Appraiser or Collector at the Port of Ottawa, the names of the Merchant Appraisers appointed under Section 45 Chapter 10, 40th *Victoria*, to whom the final Appraisal was referred ; together with a Copy of the decision, award or finding of said Merchant Appraisers and of the Collector of Customs at Ottawa, in reference to such Appraisal, or to the alleged undervaluation for Duty of all Iron entered for the construction of said Chaudière Railway Bridge, and a Copy of the Evidence taken before the aforesaid Merchant Appraisers.

The last mentioned Return also covers the Return to an Order of The House of the 20th December, last ; for copies of all Correspondence, Reports, and Documents relative to the seizure or appraisal of the Bridge Iron for the Chaudière Railway Bridge, and the results of such appraisements, if any.