

number of Directors ; confirming certain agreements made with other parties ; extending the time for the construction of their works, and for other purposes.

Of the Huron and Erie Loan and Savings Company ; praying for the passing of an Act amending and consolidating their Acts of incorporation.

Of the Winnipeg Great Northern Railway Company ; praying for the passing of an Act extending the time for the completion of their railway, and empowering them to build a branch line from or near Portage la Prairie to their main line ;—and

Of the Provisional Directors of the Saskatchewan Railway and Mining Company ; praying for the passing of an Act renewing their Act of incorporation, and for other purposes.

The Honourable Sir Mackenzie Bowell, President of the Queen's Privy Council for Canada, informed the Senate that he had received a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, under His Sign Manual, which His Excellency had commanded him to deliver to the Senate.

The same was then read by the Clerk, and it is as follows :—

#### ABERDEEN.

The Governor General transmits to the Senate, a copy of further correspondence between the Government of Canada and the Government of the Province of Manitoba respecting the Manitoba School Question.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

OTTAWA, 5th February, 1896.

(*Vide Sessional Papers, No. 39.*)

The Honourable Sir Mackenzie Bowell, President of the Queen's Privy Council for Canada, presented to the Senate,—A Statement for Parliament *in re* Fishing Bounty Payments for 1894–95, required by Chapter 96, Revised Statutes.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table, and it is as follows :—

(*Vide Sessional Papers, No. 30.*)

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the Report of the Committee of Selection appointed to nominate the Senators to serve on the several Standing Committees for the present Session ;

On motion of the Honourable Sir Mackenzie Bowell, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Ferguson (P.E.I.), it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill (B) intituled : “ An Act respecting the debentures of Loan Companies incorporated by special Acts of the Parliament of Canada,” was read a second time.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Aikins, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Macdonald (Victoria), it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (A) intituled : “ An Act to amend the Railway Act ;”

On motion of the Honourable Mr. McCallum, seconded by the Honourable Mr. McKindsey, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow.!