

Of *James Dow*, Mayor, and others, of *Saint Stephen*, County of *Charlotte*, Province of *New Brunswick*; praying that no Act may be passed confirming the Act of the Legislature of *New Brunswick*, authorizing the issuing of debentures on the credit of the lower district of the Parish of *Saint Stephen*; also, that no Act be passed imposing taxation upon the Town of *Saint Stephen*.

Of the Board of Trade of the Town of *Brantford*; praying that the Tax on Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes may be repealed.

Of *Philip Wambuck*, and others, of *La Have*, County of *Lunenburg*, Province of *Nova Scotia*; praying that *John Oxner* may be appointed pilot on *La Have* River, in the said County.

Of the Reverend *J. B. Pelletier*, Curé, and others, of *Isle aux Coudres*, County of *Charlevoix*; praying that the pier to be erected for a light-house on the north side of *Isle aux Coudres* may be extended to the channel.

Of the Board of Trade of the City of *Toronto*; praying that such encouragement may be afforded as may induce the establishment of a fortnightly line of Steamers from Montreal during the summer, and from *Halifax*, *Nova Scotia*, *Saint John*, *New Brunswick*, and *Portland*, in the *United States*, during the winter, to connect with the Ports of the *West India* Islands.

Of the Municipality of the Town of *Chatham*; praying that an Act may be passed to incorporate the *Chatham* Board of Trade.

Of Messrs. *W. McGiverin*, and Company, and others, Merchants, of the City of *Hamilton*; praying that the Insolvent Act of 1869 may not be repealed; or that such amendments be made as may be considered necessary.

Of Messrs. *Moore*, *Semple*, and *Hatchette*, and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying that the Insolvent Act of 1869 may be repealed; and that a new law be framed whereby settlements may be arrived at between Creditor and Debtor, without the intervention of an Assignee.

Of *William Galbraith*, and others; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the *Ontario* Shipping and Forwarding Company.

A Motion being made and seconded, That the Petition of the Warden and Mayors composing the Council of the second division of the County of *Charlevoix*, presented on Monday last, praying for the erection of a Light-house at Bay *St. Paul*, be now received;

Mr. Speaker ruled, That "this Petition cannot be received, as the granting of the "prayer thereof would involve the expenditure of public money."

The Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented to the House the Second Report, of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have considered the Bill to incorporate the Bank of *Hamilton*; also Bill to incorporate the *Halifax* Banking Company, and have agreed to report the same, without amendment.

They have also considered the Bill to incorporate the Exchange Bank of *Canada*, which they beg leave to report amended.

Mr. *Harrison*, from the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Third Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have considered the Bill to amend an Act to incorporate the Managers of the Ministers' Widows and Orphans Fund of the Synod of the *Presbyterian* Church of *Canada* in connection with the Church of *Scotland*, and have agreed to an amendment which they submit for the consideration of your Honorable House.

They have also considered the Bill to naturalize *Anson Greene Phelps Dodge*, and have agreed to report the same, without amendment.