The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Ontario Mutual Life Assurance Company;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Select Stand-

ing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill further to amend the Charter of the Quebec Fire Assurance Company;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Select Stand-

ing Committee on Banking and Commerce.

On motion of Mr. Young, seconded by Mr. Thomson (Welland),

Ordered, That the Public Accounts of Canada for the fiscal year ended 30th June, 1877, as also the supplementary statement of Income and Expenditure during the current year, be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

On motion of Mr. Langevin, seconded by Mr. Pope (Compton),

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, 1st: a Return of all correspondence since the 1st January, 1875, of and with the Postmaster General, the Minister of Public Works or any other Department, relating to Mail communication with the British West Indies; 2nd. a Return of all correspondence had between the Government of Canada and the Imperial or any Colonial Government with regard to a subsidy for a line of steamers, between Canada and the British West Indies.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency by such Members

of this House as are of the Queen's Privy Council.

On motion of Mr. DeCosmos, seconded by Mr. Thompson (Cariboo),

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return containing a copy of every Report of the Chief Engineer, Acting Chief Engineer, or any other Engineer or Engineers of the Canadian Pacific Railway, in the possession of the Government, suggesting or recommending a survey, in 1876, of the whole or part of the route between Burrard's Inlet and Yellow Head Pass; with a copy of any order or instructions sent respecting the said survey; also, a copy of every Report or Reports from each and all of the said Engineers, in possession of the Government, suggesting or recommending a survey, in 1877, of the said route between Burrard's Inlet and Yellow Head Pass; with a copy of any order or instruction sent respecting such survey.

On motion of Mr. Pouliot, seconded by Mr. Fiset,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a statement showing all claims against the Government, still unsettled, for damages caused by the Intercolonial Railway:—

1. For lands taken;

2. For damages caused by water and otherwise by reason of work not having been done which ought to have been done, or work not having been done in a proper manner;

3. Damages by fires caused by the locomotives;

4. Damages caused by the killing of cattle on the line;

5. Damages resulting from loss or injury to goods.

On motion of Mr. Ross (Middlesex), seconded by Mr. McDougall (Renfrew), Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a statement of the number of miles of the Intercolonial operated on 1st July, 1873, and the cost of operating the same; also, a similiar statement for the years beginning 1st July, 1874, 1875, 1876, 1877.

On motion of Mr. Caron, seconded by Mr. Robitaille,

Ordered. That there be laid before this House, copies of all complaints made against any Inspector or other officer of Sections 6, 7 and 11 of the Lachine Canal,

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