

The said Address, being read a second time, was agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the said Address be engrossed.

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

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

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Friday, 17th February, 1871.

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

By Mr. *Simard*,—The Petition of Colonel *John Sewell*, Superannuated Postmaster of the City of *Quebec*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Abbott*,—The Petition of the Mechanics Bank; the Petition of the *Molson's* Bank; and the Petition of the Merchants' Bank of *Canada*.

The Honorable Mr. *Irvine*, from the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Electoral District of *Hochelaga*, informed the House, That *Michael Cayley*, Esquire, one of the Members of the said Committee, was not present within one hour after the time appointed for the meeting of the said Committee this day; in consequence of which the meeting of the said Committee stands adjourned until To-morrow, at Twelve o'clock, noon.

*Ordered*, That *Michael Cayley*, Esquire, do attend in his place in this House, at its next sitting.

On motion of Mr. *Mackenzie*, seconded by Mr. *Blake*,

*Ordered*, That the Grand Trunk Railway Company do prepare and transmit to the Clerk, with all possible despatch, for the information of this House, the following statements :

1st. Shewing the gross earnings of the railway during each of the years 1866, 1867, 1868, 1869 and 1870, the working expenses for each of those years, and the sums paid in each of those years, as interest, on the bonded debt of the Company, classifying the bonds on which such payments have been made. The statement to comprise a complete account of the disposal of the whole earnings of the railway during those years.

2nd. The amount of the capital account of the Company on the first days of January, 1866 and 1871, with a statement shewing the several classes of shares and bonds, and the indebtedness to the Government at each date.

3rd. The total additions to the capital account of the Company from the issue of shares and bonds, to cover the accrued but unpaid interest, according to the original stipulations.

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

*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 instructions to the Honorable *A. Archibald*, Lieut-Governor of *Manitoba* and of the North West Territories, also copies of all Orders in Council relative to said Province, since January, 1870, not already published; also copies of all reports and official correspondence between the Lieutenant-Governor and the Dominion Government, from the date of his appointment.

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