

PRAYERS :

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Flint*; of *Aza Parker* and others of the Village of *Burritt's Rapids, Ontario*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Bureau*; of *William Wagner*, of the City of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Macpherson*; of the Royal Canadian Bank.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were severally read, viz :

Of *H. D. Smith, M. P.*, and others, of the Village of *Merrickville*, in the Province of *Ontario*; praying that the *Rideau Canal* may be closed to traffic on the Sabbath Day.

Of *Caldwell Pollock* and others, of the Village of *Lanark*; of *Gilbert Cannon* and others, of the Village of *Almonte*; of the Board of Trade of *Guclph*; and of *William Warwick* and others, of the Town of *Woodstock*, in the Province of *Ontario*; severally praying that in any legislation on the subject of Banking no change of a fundamental character may be made in the present system, and that the circulation of the Banks be preserved on its present basis.

Of *William Bartlett* and others, of the Town of *Sherbrooke*, in the Province of *Quebec*; praying for the passing of a Patent Law similar to that of *England*, or for the passing of a Law granting Patents to the Inventors alone, irrespective of nationality or residence.

Of *Alexander Munro* and others, of the Province of *New Brunswick*; praying for the construction of a Canal to connect *Bay Verte* with the waters of the *Bay of Fundy*.

The Honorable Mr. *Allan*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill intituled: "An Act to unite the *Beaver* and the *Toronto Mutual Fire Insurance Companies*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Allan*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*, it was Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was then put, whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the House of Commons and acquaint that House that the Senate have passed this Bill, to which they desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill intituled: "An Act respecting the prompt and summary administration of Criminal Justice in certain cases."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Mitchel* was Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow. 7, it

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill intituled: "An Act respecting the duties of Justices of the Peace out of Sessions in relation to Indictable offences."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Campbell*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Mitchell*, it was

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the House resumed the adjourned Debate on the motion of the Honorable Mr. *Mitchell*, viz: That the Bill intituled: "An Act respecting the admasurement and registration of Vessels," be now read a second time.