

Mr. *Brooks* reported from the Select Committee on the Bill from the Senate, intituled : " An Act respecting the crime of Libel," That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

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

Your Committee have considered the following Bills, and have prepared amendments to each, which they submit for the consideration of Your Honorable House, viz. :—

Bill to incorporate the Royal Canadian Chemical Fire Engine Company.

Bill to incorporate the Commercial Travellers' Association of *Canada*.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Senate to the Bill intituled : " An Act to incorporate the Maritime Insurance Company," and the same were read, as follow :—

Page 2, line 33.—After " days " insert " continuous," and leave out " one newspaper " and insert " two newspapers."

Page 3, line 40.—After " regulations " insert " not being contrary to law nor to the provisions of this Act."

Page 3, line 45.—Leave out " local " and insert " branch."

Page 4, line 26.—After " expedient " insert " giving not less than thirty days' continuous notice of each of such calls in at least two newspapers, published in the City of *Montreal*."

Page 4, line ult.—Leave out " majority of the," and insert " Board of Directors by a vote which shall not be less in number than that of the majority of the whole number of the said."

Page 5, line 14.—After " unimpaired " insert " and no larger dividend shall be declared or paid in any one year than twenty per cent. on the paid up capital ; and every larger amount earned shall be appropriated to a rest, until such rest shall be equal to twenty-five per cent of the amount of the capital for the time being."

The said amendments, being read a-second time, were agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Senate, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath agreed to their amendments.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Mackenzie* (*Montreal*) have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act 29 *Victoria*, chapter 57, Statutes of the late Province of *Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Mackenzie* (*Montreal*) have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act 36 *Victoria*, chapter 47, respecting Weights and Measures.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the *Huron-Trent* Valley Canal Company, and after some time spent therein, Mr. *Speaker* resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Bowell* reported, That the Committee had gone through through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

*Ordered*, That the amendments be now taken into consideration.

The amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Ottawa* Loan and Investment Company ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce.