Wednesday, 16th March, 1904.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:— By Mr. Champagne,—The Petition of the Ottawa, Northern and Western Railway Company.

By Mr. McCarthy,—The Petition of the Collingwood General and Marine Hospital.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read and received:—Of Honourable Charles Algernon Parsons, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, County of Northumberland, England; praying for the passing of an Act to revive and extend the term of duration of certain Letters Patent, relating to steam turbines.

Of the Atlantic, Quebec and Western Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act to extend the time for the completion of the first ten miles of their railway.

Of the Canadian Pacific, Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act to extend the time for the commencement and completion of certain railways authorized by Parliament—one from a point near New Westminster to Vancouver, British Columbia; and another in the Province of Quebec.

Of the Atlantic and North-west Railway Company; praying for the passing of an

Act to extend the time for the completion of their railway.

Of the Ottawa River Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act to extend the time for the completion of their undertaking; empowering them to extend their line of railway to the City of Ottawa, and for other purposes.

Of Honourable George Bryson, of Fort Coulonge, County of Pontiac, and others of Quebec and Ontario; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the

Pontiac and Interprovincial Railway Company.

Of Angus and Hugh McLean, of the City of Buffalo, in the State of New York, and others of Ontario; praying for the passing of an Act incorporating them as a Company to carry on the business of lumbering, manufacturing sawn lumber, timber, &c.

Of the Municipal Council of the City of St. Catharines; and of the Municipal Council of the Village of Merritton, all of Ontario; severally praying for the imposition

of an export duty on all natural gas exported from the Dominion of Canada.

Of W. H. Speers, President, and Robert Joyce, Secretary, of the L.O.L., No. 257, Bronte; of J. R. Laird and others, of Blenheim; and of G. H. Cobbledick and others, of the Town of Chatham, all of Ontario; severally praying for such legislation as will secure the due observance of the Lord's Day.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier, from the Special Committee appointed to prepare and report Lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by this House on Friday, the 11th March, instant, reported that they had prepared Lists of Mem-

bers accordingly, and the same were read, as follow:-

No. 1.—ON PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS.—Messieurs Alcorn, Barker, Bennett, Borden (Halifax), Brodeur, Bureau, Casgrain, Cowan, Dugas, Emmerson, Fitzpatrick, Geoffrion, German, Gourley, Grant, Guthrie, Haggart, Lancaster, Lapointe, LaRivière, Lavell, Lavergne (Montmagny), Lemieux, Lennox, Logan, MacKinnon, McCarthy, McColl, McIsaac, Malouin, Monet, Monk, Morrison, Mulock (Sir William), Northrup, Porter, Pringle, Rivet, Russell, Sifton, Sutherland (Essex), Tisdale, Wade and Ward.—44.