

to construct a Railway, on a line approved by him, from *Lake Nipissing* to the *Pacific Ocean*;—or, that if there be two or more such Companies having power singly or together, to construct such Railway, they may unite as one Company, and such agreement may be made with the united Company,—or, that if there be no such Company with whom the Government deems it advisable to make such agreement, and there be persons able and willing to form such Company, the Governor may by Charter incorporate them, and make such agreement with the Company so incorporated.

8. *Resolved*, That the Government may further agree with the Company with whom such agreement as aforesaid shall have been made, to construct and work a Branch line of Railway, from some point on the main line in *Manitoba* to some point on the boundary line between that Province and the *United States*, to connect with the system of Railways in the said States,—and another Branch Line from some point on the Main Line to some point on *Lake Superior* in *British Territory*; and that such Branch Lines shall be deemed part of the said *Canadian Pacific Railway*, and a land grant in aid thereof may be made by the Government to such extent as may be agreed upon between the Government and the Company.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Street* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

*Ordered*, That the Report be received on Friday next.

And then The House adjourned till To-morrow.

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Wednesday 8th May, 1872.

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

By Mr. *Shawly*,—The Petition of the Honorable *James Skead*, and others; and the the Petition of the Corporation of the City of *Ottawa*.

By Mr. *Workman*,—The Petition of the *Montreal* Board of Trade.

By Mr. *Pickard*,—The Petition of *James Robinson*, and others, Manufacturers of Leather and Leather Goods.

By Mr. *Smith (Selkirk)*,—Two Petitions of *Donald A. Smith*, M.P., of the City of *Montreal*, in the Province of *Quebec*, and of *Fort Garry*, in the Province of *Manitoba*, and others.

By Mr. *Crawford (South Leeds)*,—The Petition of *D. Ford Jones*, and others, residents of the Village of *Gananoque* and along the *Gananoque* River and Lakes connected therewith.

By the Honorable Mr. *Mackenzie*,—The Petition of *William Kidston*, of *Buddock*, in the County of *Victoria*, Island of *Cape Breton*.

By Mr. *Scriver*,—The Petition of *Daniel McFarlane*, Jr., Warden, and others, of the County of *Huntingdon*.

By the Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*,—The Petition of the Board of Trade of the City of *Kingston*.

By Mr. *Fortin*,—The Petition of *W. Miller*, and others, of the Municipality of *Gaspé Bay North*; and the Petition of *John Short*, Mayor, and others, of the Municipality of *Gaspé Bay South*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the following Petitions were read :—