

Thursday, 8th April, 1896.

The Members convened were :—

The Honourable *CHARLES ALPHONSE PANTALEON PELLETIER, C.M.G.*,
Speaker,

The Honourable Messieurs

Aikins,	Cochrane,	MacKeen,	Ogilvie,
Almon,	De Blois,	Masson,	Owens,
Armand,	Dever,	McCallum,	Perley,
Arsenault,	Dobson,	McDonald (C.B.),	Poirier,
Baird,	Drummond,	McInnes (N. Westm'tr.),	Power,
Baker,	Ferguson,	McKay,	Primrose,
Bellerose,	Gowan (C.M.G.),	McKindsey,	Prowse,
Bernier	Kirchhoffer,	McLaren,	Reid,
Bolduc,	Landry,	McMillan,	Sanford,
Boucherville, de (C.M.G.)	Lewin.	Merner,	Scott,
Boulton,	Lougheed,	Miller,	Snowball,
Bowell (Sir Mackenzie),	Lovitt,	Mills,	Sullivan,
Carling (Sir John),	Macdonald (P.E.I.),	Montplaisir,	Vidal,
Casgrain,	Macdonald (Victoria),	Mowat (Sir Oliver),	Wark,
Clemow,	MacInnes (Burlington),	O'Brien,	Wood.

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honourable Mr. MacInnes (Burlington),—Of Thomas Marks and others, Provisional Directors of the Atikokan Iron Range Railway Company; of the Canada Southern Railway Company; of the Niagara Grand Island Bridge Company, and of the Toronto, Hamilton and Buffalo Railway Company.

By the Honourable Mr. Drummond,—Of the Canada Investment and Agency Company (Limited);—and

By the Honourable Mr. Lougheed,—Of the Calgary and Edmonton Railway Company.

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

Of the Montreal Bridge Company; praying for the passing of an Act extending the time for the completion of its works, amending its bonding powers, and confirming certain agreements with other companies.

Of the Great Eastern Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act extending the time for the completion of its line, amending its bonding powers, and authorizing certain agreements with other companies.

Of Molyneux St. John and others, of British Columbia, and others of elsewhere; praying for the passing of an Act incorporating them with powers to carry on a mining, development and trust or advisory business.

Of Henry S. Holland and others, of Toronto, Province of Ontario; praying for the passing of an Act incorporating them as "The National Life Assurance Company of Canada."

Of the Reverend A. Carman, D.D., and others, of the City of Toronto, Province of Ontario; praying for the passing of an Act incorporating them as "The Methodist Trust Fire Insurance Company;"—and