Monday, 3rd May, 1897.

The Members convened were :-

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

The Honourable Messieurs

Adams,	Cox,	McCallum,	Poirier,
Aikins.	De Blois,	McDonald (C.B.),	Power,
Allan,	Dever,	MeInnes (N. Westm'ter))Primrose,
Almon,	Dickey,	McKay,	Prowse,
Bellerose,	Dobson,	McKindsey,	Sanford,
Bernier,	Gowan (C.M,G.),	McMillan,	Scott,
Bolduc,	Kirchhoffer,	Merner,	Sullivan,
Boucherville, de (C. M.G.)Landry,	Miller,	Temple,
Boulton,	Lougheed,	Mills,	Thibaudeau (Rigaud).
Bowell (Sir Mackenzie),	Lovitt,	Ogilvie,	Vidal,
Carling (Sir John),	Macdonald (Victoria),	Owens,	Wark,
Casgrain,	MacInnes (Burlington),	Perley,	Wood.
Clemow,	MacKeen,	• .	

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:—
By the Honourable Mr. Cox,—Of the Canadian Power Company; of the Dominion
Safe Deposit, Warehousing and Loan Company, Limited; and of the Religious Society
of Friends.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions wers severally read:—Of C. N. Armstrong and others, of the City of Montreal, Province of Quebec; praying for the passing of an Act incorporating them under the name of "The British Pacific Railway Company."

Of J. G. Laviolette and others, of the City of Montreal, Province of Quebec; praying for the passing of an Act incorporating them as "The Canadian Mutual Acci-

dent Assurance Company."

Of the Richelieu and Lake Memphremagog Railway Company, a Company incorporated under the Legislature of the Province of Quebec; praying for the passing of an Act incorporating them under the Dominion of Canada, changing the head office, and for other purposes.

Of the Canada Atlantic Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act granting them power to extend their line of railway to points on the northerly boundary of the States of New York and Vermont, to bridge the Richelieu River, and for other

purposes.

Of William Templeton and others, of the City of Vancouver, Province of British Columbia, and others of elsewhere; praying for the passing of An Act incorporating them with power to construct and operate a railway from Burrard Inlet to Lethbridge in Alberta with branch lines.

Of the Columbia Telephone-Telegraph Company; praying for the passing of an Act amending an Act of incorporation enabling them to construct telephone and telegraph lines anywhere in British Columbia and the North-west Territories.