

Friday, 2nd April, 1897.

The Members convened were :—

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

The Honourable Messieurs

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

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honourable Mr. MacInness (Burlington),—Of the Provisional Directors of the Trail Creek and Columbia Railway Company ; of the Columbia and Kootenay Railway and Navigation Company, and of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company.

By the Honourable Mr. Lougheed,—Of the Georgian Bay Ship Canal and Power Aqueduct Company.

By the Honourable Mr. McCallum,—Of the County Council of the County of Wentworth, in the Province of Ontario.

By the Honourable Mr. Bernier,—Of La Banque du Peuple.

By the Honourable Sir Mackenzie Bowell,—Of the Hull Electric Company.

By the Honourable Mr. Vidal,—Of A. Macpherson, Chairman, and James Croil, Secretary-Treasurer of the Board of Management of the Temporalities Fund of the Presbyterian Church of Canada.

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

Of the Municipal Council of the County of Kent, Province of Ontario ; praying for the passing of an Act amending the Railway Act of Canada, respecting the drainage of railways.

Of R. C. Ennis, of Neepawa, and others, of Manitoba, and others of elsewhere ; praying for the passing of an Act incorporating them as "The Winnipeg, Duluth and Hudson Bay Railway Company ;"—and

Of the Dominion Building and Loan Association, incorporated under the Legislature of the Province of Ontario ; praying for the passing of an Act incorporating them under the Dominion Parliament with all the powers of a Loan Company and Building Society.