Pursuant to the Order of the day, the following Petitions were read:-

Of Pulaski Clark, of Byng Inlet, of the District of Parry Sound, and Dominion of Canada, praying for an Act of Naturalization.

Of the Northern Railway Company of Canada, praying for an Act to authorise the leasing, using and working of the Lines of Railway of other Companies, contiguous and subsidiary to the said Railway.

The Honorable Mr. Sanborn, from the Committee on Standing Orders, and Private Bills, presented their Second Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk, as follows:-

Committee Room, 3rd March, 1871.

The Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honor to present the

following as their Second Report.

Your Committee have examined the following Petitions and find that sufficient notice has been given in each case, viz., Of the Union Bank of Lower Canada; praying for the passing of an Act to increase the Capital Stock of the said Bank by one million of dollars, to extend the time for the payment of the present Capital and for other purposes therein mentioned: and of The Quebec Bank; praying for the passing of an Act to authorise an increase of the Capital Stock of the said Bank, and also for the amendment of their Charter.

Your Committee have also examined the Petition of the Great Western Railway Company of Canada; praying for the passing of An Act to provide for the consolidation and precise expesition of the powers now possessed by the said Company, and also that Candidates for the position of Director, when vacancies occur, be required to give public notice of their desire to be elected, and find that the notice is short in point of time.

Your Committee, however, recommend the suspension of the 51st Rule in this case, as it will be competent for the Committee on Banking, Commerce and Railways to provide

that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. S. Sanborn, Chairman.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Sanborn, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Chaffers, it was

Ordered, That the fifty-first rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as relates to the Petition of the Great Western Railway Company of Canada.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled, "An Act to further amend the "Act respecting fishing by foreign vessels," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Mitchell, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Aikins, it

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House on Tuesday next.

Then on motion of the Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Kingston), seconded by the Honorable Mr. Holmes,

The House adjourned until Monday next, at three o'clock in the afternoon.