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By the Honorable Mr. Read,—Of the Canadian Copper Company, a Company duly incorporated under the general laws of the State of Ohio, one of the United States of America,—Of the Anglo-American Iron Company, a Company duly incorporated under the general laws of the State of Ohio, one of the United States of America, and of the Central Ontario Railway Company.

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

Of "The Western Canada Loan and Savings Company;" praying for an Act defining their borrowing powers, and giving them power to issue Debenture Stock.

Of "The Freehold Loan and Savings Company;" praying for an Act extending their powers and enabling them to issue Debenture Stock.

Of the Northern and North-Western Junction Railway Company; praying for an Act to amend their Act of incorporation, by giving them power to build a branch line from Burlington to a point on the Niagara River, and for other purposes.

Of the Nipissing and James' Bay Railway Company; praying for an Act giving them the right to build their line of railway in sections, and to extend the time for the completion of their road.

Of A. R. Irwin and others, of Emerson, in the Province of Manitoba; praying to be incorporated under the name of "The Emerson and North-Western Railway Company," to construct a railway from Emerson to Portage la Prairie, with a branch to a point on the western boundary of the Province; —and

Of "The Canada Permanent Loan and Savings Company;" praying for an Act defining their borrowing powers, giving them power to create Debenture Stock, and for other purposes.

The Honorable Mr. Allan, from the Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented their First Report, recommending the reduction of the Quoram to Nine Members.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Allan, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Lewin, it was

Ordered, That the said Report be adopted.

The Honorable Mr. Howlan, from the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of the Senate, presented their Second Report.

Ordered, That it be received.

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

## THE SENATE,

COMMITTEE ROOM No. 2, TUESDAY, 9th March, 1886.

The Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of the Senate for the present Session, beg leave to make their Second Report as follows :--

Your Committee recommend that Andrew Wilson be, for the present, appointed a Sessional Messenger, but that he be paid the same salary as is paid to the Pages, and that so soon as a vacancy among the Pages occurs, he be placed upon the list of Pages.

All which is respectfully submitted.

Gronge W. Howlan, Chairman.