

Of the *London and Ontario Investment Company (Limited)*; praying for the passing of an Act to extend their corporate powers, and for further amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of *R. R. Fitch* and others; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the *Brandon, Battleford and Edmonton Railway Company*.

Of the *Sable and Spanish Boom and Slide Company of Algoma (Limited)*; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to attach booms to the shores at the mouth of the *Spanish River*, at points South and East of *Island G. or Rock Island*; also, to construct and maintain piers from certain points on the North shore of said river; and also, to charge reasonable tolls on saw logs, lumber and timber for the use of such works.

Of the *Nipissing and James' Bay Railway Company*; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to build their road in three Sections; also to extend the time for the commencement and completion of the said Sections of their Railway.

Of *T. J. Lamontagne* and others, of *Ste. Anne des Monts*; and of the *Reverend Joseph St. Laurent, Curé*, and others, of *Newport, County of Gaspé*; severally complaining of a reduction in bounties to fishing boats; and praying that in the matter of fishing bounties, full and perfect justice may be done to Canadian fishermen.

*Mr. Beaty*, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee have examined the Notices given on the following Petitions, and find them sufficient, viz. :—Of the Bank of *New Brunswick*; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to reduce their Capital Stock; of *Archibald MacDonald* and others; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to construct a Railway from the main line of the Canadian Pacific Railway, at or near *Medicine Hat or Dunmore*, in the District of *Assiniboia*, in a southerly direction to the boundary line between *Canada* and the *United States*; of *John Hallam* and others; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the *Midland Bank of Canada*; and of the *North-West Central Railway Company*; praying for the passing of an Act to extend the time for the construction and equipment of their Railway, and for other purposes.

As the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills will expire on Saturday next, the 6th instant; your Committee recommend that the same be extended to Thursday, the twenty-fifth instant.

Ordered, That *Mr. Weldon* have leave to bring in a Bill to reduce the Capital Stock of the Bank of *New Brunswick*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

On motion of *Mr. Beaty*, seconded by *Mr. Small*,

Ordered, That the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills be extended to Thursday the twenty-fifth day of March, instant, in accordance with the recommendation of the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

Ordered, That *Mr. Edgar* have leave to bring in a Bill further to amend "An Act respecting Insolvent Banks, Insurance Companies, Loan Companies, Building Societies and Trading Corporations."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

Ordered, That *Mr. McCallum* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Medicine Hat, Dunmore and Benton Railway Company*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read, for resuming the Debate on the Question which was yesterday proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Excel-