Of the St. Francis and Megantic International Railway Company, praying for power to construct a Branch Railway to connect with the Boston, Concord and Montreal Railroad, or any extension thereof, or any Railroad touching the Dominion Boundary on the Northern Lines of the States of New Hampshire or Vermont, with power to lease the said Branch or Main Railway to such Company if found advisable, and for other purposes.

Of the Isolated Risk Fire Insurance Company of Canada, praying for such amendments to their Act of incorporation as will enable the Company to declare a dividend, and for other purposes.

Of Alexander Hency, and others; of W. S. Williams, and others, of Napanes; and of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of Nissouri, St. Vincent, Collingwood, and Whitchurch, all in the Province of Ontario, severally praying for the passing of an Act prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors as beverages in the Dominion of Canada.

The Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Kingston), from the Committee on Banking, Commerce and Railways, presented their first Report recommending the reduction of the quorum of the said Committee to nine members.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Hamilton (Kingston), seconded by the Honorable

Mr. Ferrier, it was

Ordered, That the said Report be adopted.

The Honorable Mr. Dickson, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, presented their first Report, recommending the reduction of the quorum of the said Committee to nine members.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Dickson, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Christie, it was

Ordered, That the said Report be adopted.

Then the Honorable Mr. Dickson, from the said 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, 18th March, 1873.

The Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honor to present the fellowing 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 Glasgow Canadian Land and Trust Company, (Limited,) praying for an Act of Incorporation in the Dominion of Canada, vesting in them all the powers of their memorandum of Association; of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada, praying for an Act granting power to regulate the rate of interest on certain preference bonds, on condition of the said rates being approved by the shareholders, or failing that consent to continue the Grand Trunk Arrangements Act, 1862, for a period of three years, with a certain modification mentioned in their Petition.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WALTER H. DICKSON, Chairman,