PROCEEDINGS, &c.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS,

OTTAWA, Wednesday, 15th January, 1873.

The Representatives of the Dominion Board of Trade met at 10 o'clock A. M.

WM. MCGIVERIN, Esq., President, stated that a large number of members were present, but that the Toronto delegation and several others, would be present on arrival of the Noon train from the west. It would be a question for them to decide whether the Board should proceed to the regular business, or await the arrival of the Western Delegates. In the meantime he would request those present to hand their credentials to the Secretary, to enable him to make up the roll.

The list of Delegates was then read, in so far as it had been completed.

The PRESIDENT read a letter from Hon. Frederick Fraley, President of the National Board of Trade of the United States, introducing Hon. Richard Hawley, of Detroit, Mich., and also stating that other gentlemen of that Board would probably be in attendance.

HON. JOHN YOUNG, M. P., (Montreal), moved, seconded by Mr. HENRY FRY, (Quebec), and unanimously resolved :

"That all the privileges of this Board be accorded to Hon. Mr. Hawley, and to the other delegates who may hereafter be present from the United States."

THE PRESIDENT said :—I can scarcely find language to express how much we all appreciate the kindness of the National Board, and especially of its President, Mr. Fraley, who has devoted his time and his energies in an extraordinary degree, to the development of the resources of his own country, and who is a man of great and very liberal principles; while we also have in the person of the Hon. Mr. Hawley, a gentleman who, I am sure, is a good representative of the business men of the United States.

Mr. Hawley was then escorted by Messrs. Henry Fry, and M. P. Ryan, M.P., to a seat near the President.

The PRESIDENT further reported that he had much pleasure in announcing the presence of Delegates from the Halifax, N. S., Chamber of Commerce,—a Province which had hitherto been unrepresented in this organization.

At the suggestion of members of the Board, and on the request of the PRESIDENT, the SECRETARY read the following