

THE SENATE.

Ottawa, Monday, March 24th, 1890.

THE SPEAKER took the Chair at 3 o'clock.

Prayers and routine proceedings.

SAMUEL MAY RELIEF BILL.

SECOND READING POSTPONED.

The Order of the Day being called,—Second reading Bill (16) "An Act to confer on the Commissioner of Patents certain powers for the relief of Samuel May."

HON. MR. MACINNES (Burlington) said: When this Bill came up for a second reading on a previous occasion the leader of the House requested me to postpone it until a Bill of a similar character came up from the other House. That Bill has not reached us, and, as the leader of the House is not here, and he has requested me to ask a further postponement, I move that the Order of the Day be discharged, and that the Bill be read a second time on Wednesday next.

The motion was agreed to.

THE PRINTING OF PARLIAMENT.

MOTION.

HON. MR. READ moved the adoption of the Fourth Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of Parliament.

The motion was agreed to.

ELBOW RIVER WATER CO.'S BILL.

FIRST AND SECOND READINGS.

Bill (76) "An Act to incorporate the Elbow River Water Power Company," was introduced and read the first time.

HON. MR. LOUGHEED moved the suspension of the 41st Rule of the House, and that the Bill be read the second time presently. He said: The reason I make this application is that a delegation has arrived from Calgary, consisting of the Mayor and some of the councillors, and they are desirous of presenting their views before the Committee on Railways, Telegraphs and Harbors on this question. As

we contemplate an adjournment for some time, and as it would be impossible for those gentlemen to wait over the adjournment, I trust that hon. members will allow the Rules to be suspended and the Bill to be read the second time presently, so that these gentlemen may have an opportunity to appear before the Committee.

The motion was agreed to.

SASKATCHEWAN RAILWAY AND MINING CO.'S BILL.

FIRST READING.

Bill (34) "An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the Saskatchewan Railway and Mining Company," was introduced and read the first time.

HON. MR. READ (Quinté) moved the suspension of the 41st Rule, and that the Bill be read the second time presently. He said: I think the House will treat this Bill with as much consideration as they did the last one, and I think I have a good precedent to ask that the Rule be suspended.

HON. MR. POWER—I think this is the first time that a request of this sort has been made without any reason being given. I fancy there can hardly be any good reason, for if there were, no one is better qualified to put the reason before the House than the hon. gentleman who has made this motion.

HON. MR. READ—As for my qualification in this instance, I may say I have none; I do not know anything about the Bill. I was simply asked to move the suspension of the Rule; but as there is an objection, I beg to withdraw the motion, and to move that the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

The motion was agreed to.

PONTIAC PACIFIC JUNCTION RAILWAY CO.'S BILL.

FIRST READING.

Bill (87) "An Act respecting the Pontiac Pacific Junction Railway Company," was introduced and read the first time.

HON. MR. VIDAL—I am very much in the position of my hon. friend opposite with regard to this Bill. The promoter of the Bill simply asked me to move the