petitioners among other things desire to be empowered to lay two submarine cables, from the Island of *Anticosti* to the main land, to connect with the telegraph systems on the North and South Shores respectively, and the Notice specifies that on the South Shore only; but as it is otherwise ample and specific, and no private rights will be interfered with, your Committee beg to recommend that the Notice be deemed sufficient in this case.

The time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills will expire on Thursday next; and as your Committee have reason to believe that there are many yet to come in, they beg to recommend that the time for receiving Petitions, Bills, and Reports respectively, be

extended for two weeks.

On motion of Mr. MacFarlane, seconded by Mr. Bown,

Ordered, That the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills be extended to the 16th May next, for receiving Private Bills to the 23rd May next,—and for receiving Reports on Private Bills to the 6th June.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Chauveau have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize J. E. Archer to take out a Patent of the Invention known as the Hallen-Roberts Knitting Machine and Loom.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous

Private Bills.

Ordered, That Mr. Bown have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the North

Western Railway Company of Manitoba.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

Ordered, That Mr. Shanly have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the St.

Lawrence International Bridge Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

Ordered, That Mr. Grant have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Canada

Pacific Railway Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

Ordered, That Mr. Morrison (Niagara) have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate

the Interoceanic Railway Company of Canada.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

Ordered, That Mr. Bown have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Central

Railway Company of Manitoba.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

Ordered, That Mr. Morrison (Niagara) have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act of incorporation of the Western Insurance Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and