

No. 69.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.

OTTAWA, SATURDAY, 19TH MAY, 1883.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Municipal Council of the Village of Bracebridge, District of Muskoka; praying that the Midland Railway Company or any other Railway Company who may desire to use the same, may be granted power to use for local and through traffic any line of Railway that may be constructed, extending the Northern Railway of Canada from Gravenhurst north to Callander.

Of the Municipal Council of the Village of Gravenhurst; praying that the Northern and North-Western Railway Company of Canada may not be allowed to amalgamate with or lease the proposed Railway from Gravenhurst to Callander and Sault Ste. Marie, but that the said Railway be an independent line; or that if such amalgamation be allowed, running powers may be granted to the Midland Railway over the proposed Railway from Atherly station northward.

Mr. *Blake* moved, that the Petitions just read and received, be printed for the use of Members.

And the said motion was, in conformity with Rule 94, referred to the *Joint Committee* of both Houses on the *Printing* of Parliament.

Mr. *White* (Cardwell), from the Select Committee appointed to supervise the *Official Reports* of the *Debates* of this House during the present Session, presented the Sixth Report of the said Committee, recommending

1st. That Mr. *John A. Lumsden*, a Member of the present staff of *Official Reporters*, be paid for the present Session, at the same rate, as the other Members, *viz.*: \$1,200;—and

2nd. That the appointment for the present Session of Mr. *J. O. Marceau*, as second *French Reporter* be continued, and made permanent.

On motion of Mr. *White* (Cardwell), the said Sixth Report, was concurred in.

Mr. *Hackett*, from the Select Standing Committee on *Expiring Laws*, presented a Report, informing The House, that they have carefully examined the List of *Expiring Laws*, as prepared by the *Law Clerk*, and a Bill has been drafted in conformity thereto, which they now submit to The House.