

Of the Mayor, Councillors, and Citizens of the City of *Quebec*; praying for the passing of an Act to consolidate and amend the Acts of incorporation of the said City.

Of the *Richelieu* Company; praying for the passing of an Act to enable them to increase their capital stock, and to empower them to hold steamers, for the purpose of towing vessels in the River and Gulf of *St. Lawrence*, and otherwise to amend their Act of incorporation.

Of *E. Boudreau* and others, Pilots for and above the Harbour of *Quebec*; praying for amendments to their Act of incorporation.

Of the Rector and Churchwardens of *St. John's* Church, of the Town of *Bowmanville*; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto*, on the written request of the said Rector and Churchwardens of *St. John's Bowmanville*, to sell and convey the Glebe Lots belonging to the said church, and to invest the proceeds thereof on Mortgage or in Debentures.

Of *Joseph P. Slack*, of the Township of *Lansdowne*; setting forth certain grievances, and praying relief.

Of the *Buffalo* and Lake *Huron* Railway Company; of the Municipality of the Village of *Fort Erie*; of the Municipality of the Village of *Clinton*; of the Town Council of the Town of *Stratford*; and of the Municipality of the Village of *Dunnville*; severally praying for the passing of an Act to legalize and confirm a certain agreement entered into between the *Buffalo* and Lake *Huron* Railway Company and the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*, and for other purposes.

Of the Municipality of the Village of *Caledonia*; praying for the passing of an Act to legalize and confirm a certain agreement entered into between the *Buffalo* and Lake *Huron* Railway Company and the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*, and for other purposes; and also, to extend the time for the completion of the *Hamilton* and *Port Dover* Railway, for one year.

Of *Joseph Labadie* and others, of the Town of *Lévis*; praying for an Act of incorporation under the name of "Union *St. Joseph* de la Ville de *Lévis*."

Of the *Hamilton* and *Port Dover* Railway Company; of Messieurs *Moore* and *Adam*, and of the *Buffalo* and Lake *Huron* Railway Company; severally praying for the passing of an Act to extend the time for the completion of the *Hamilton* and *Port Dover* Railway for one year.

Of *F. Brunet* and others; praying that any measure having for its object the Confederation of the Provinces of *British North America*, may not become law.

*Mr. Smith* (East *Durham*), from the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the City of *Hamilton*, presented to the House the final report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:—

That the Petitioner having, by and with the consent of the sitting Member, withdrawn and abandoned his case, they have adopted the following Resolutions as their final decision:

*Resolved*, That the sitting Member, the Hon. *Isaac Buchanan*, was duly elected as Member for the City of *Hamilton* at the last Election, and is entitled to his seat as such Member.

*Resolved*, That inasmuch as the withdrawal of the Petition has taken place with the consent of the sitting Member, and as he has not moved, but on the contrary desisted from moving that the said Petition be declared frivolous and vexatious, neither the Petition, nor the opposition to the same, is frivolous or vexatious.

Mr. Speaker communicated to the House the following letter:—

To the Honorable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Canada:—

*Hamilton*, 17th January, 1865.

SIR,—I have the honor to inform you of my intention of resigning my seat in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, and to request that this be held to be my resignation thereof.