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## **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, HOUSE OF COMMONS.**

OTTAWA, FRIDAY, 18TH FEBRUARY, 1881.

PRAYERS.

Two Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

The Petition of Joseph Stults, and others, of the Parish of Moncton, County of Westmoreland, N.B., was read and received; praying that any Bill presented to Parliament granting power to dock or dam Hall's Creek at the mouth of the Petit-codiac River, may not become law, unless provision be made therein for compensation to them for loss or damage resulting therefrom.

Mr. Drew, from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the Seventeenth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:—

The Committee have examined the Petition of T. W. Whiteman, and others, of the Counties of Annapolis, Kings, Digby and Yarmouth; praying to be permitted to lay before The House their Petition for the passing of an Act incorporating them under the name of the Western Counties Steamship Company, notwithstanding the expiration of the time for presenting Petitions for Private Bills; and as the reasons assigned for the delay are satisfactory, they therefore recommend that leave be granted therefor.

Mr. Cameron (Victoria), from the Select Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented the Second Report of the said Committee, reporting the Bill No. 7 to incorporate "The Wrecking and Salvage Company of Canada, with amendments.

The Committee have also considered the Bill No. 22 to incorporate the "St. Lawrence Wrecking and Salvage Company of Canada,"—and the Bill No. 34 to incorporate the Dominion Salvage and Wrecking Company, and have deemed it advisable to amalgamate the said Bills, and to report the same under the title of "The Dominion Salvage and Wrecking Company," and recommend that the fees paid on the Bill No. 22 to incorporate the "St. Lawrence Wrecking and Salvage Company of Canada," less the cost of printing and translation, be re-funded.

Sir Leonard Tilley laid before The House,—Statement of receipts and payments, from the 1st to the 10th February, 1881, and from the 1st July, 1880, to the 10th February, 1881.

Mr. Mousseau, from the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, and Telegraph Lines, presented the First Report of the said Committee, reporting the following Bills, with amendments, viz:—

Bill No. 18 to amend the Act incorporating the Souris and Rocky Mountain Railway Company.