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THE SENATE,
COMMITTEE ROOM No. 8,
FRIDAY, 30th April, 1897.

The Standing Committee on Railways, Telegraphs and Harbours beg leave to make their First Report, as follows:—

Your Committee recommend that their Quorum be reduced to Nine (9) Members.
All which is respectfully submitted.

A. VIDAL,
Chairman.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Vidal, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Gowan, it was

Ordered, That the said Report be adopted.

The Honourable Mr. Macdonald (Victoria), from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their First Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk, and it is as follows:—

THE SENATE,
COMMITTEE ROOM No. 8,
FRIDAY, 30th April, 1897.

The Standing Committee on Standing Orders have the honour to make their First Report.

Your Committee have examined the following Petitions and find that sufficient notice has been given in each case:—

Of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada; praying for the passing of an Act granting them power to financially aid certain Railway Companies, increasing their borrowing powers, and for other purposes.

Of the Ottawa Gas Company; praying for the passing of an Act granting them power to change the par value of their shares, the time of their annual meeting, the number of Directors and providing for a mode of issuing new stock, and for other purposes.

Of the Ontario Pacific Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act extending the time for the commencement and completion of the said road, for changing the name of the said company to the Ottawa and New York Railway Company, and for other purposes.

Of George Earl Church and others, of London, England, and others of Ottawa, in the Province of Ontario, provisional directors of a railway company incorporated by Act of the Parliament of Canada, 58-59 Vic., chap. 68; praying for the passing of an Act extending the time for the commencement and completion of their said works, to change the name of the company, and for other purposes.

Of the British Columbia Southern Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act granting them power to extend their railway to Lethbridge, to issue bonds to the extent of thirty thousand dollars per mile on their main line and extensions, and giving them the usual leasing powers.

Of the Alberta Railway and Coal Company; praying for the passing of an Act revising their Act of incorporation, and giving them power to extend their line of railway and to build branch lines.

Of R. C. Ennis and others, of Neepawa, in the Province of Manitoba and elsewhere; praying for the passing of an Act incorporating them as The Winnipeg, Duluth and Hudson Bay Railway Company.