

## PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :—

By the Honorable Mr. Stevens,—Of Horner G. Ayer, and others, provisional Directors of the Massawippi Junction Railway Company.

By the Honorable Mr. Turner,—Of Samuel B. Roos, and others, of the City of Hamilton.

By the Honorable Mr. Perley,—Of J. T. Simpson, and others.

By the Honorable Mr. Cochrane,—Of W. R. Ward, and others, of Sherbrooke,—Of Lucke & Mitchell, and others, of Sherbrooke,—And of William Abbott, and others, of Montreal.

By the Honorable Mr. McKindsey,—Of B. W. Green, and others, of the City of London,—Of Hunt Brothers, and others, of the City of London.

By the Honorable Mr. Clemow,—Of John Rochester, Lumberman, and others, of the City of Ottawa,—Of John Craig, Warden, and others, of the County of Carleton.

By the Honorable Mr. Sullivan,—Of Thomas J. Jones, and others,—Of the Kingston and Pembroke Railway Company,—And of the Napanee, Tamworth and Quebec Railway Company.

By the Honorable Mr. Gowan,—Of C. Macdonell, and others,—Of John W. Cheeseworth, and others, of the City of Toronto,—Of John Beard, and others, of Oro,—And of J. C. McIntyre, and others, of Elderslie.

By the Honorable Mr. Read,—Of the Rathbun Company, and others, of Deseronto.

By the Honorable Mr. Macdonald (Midland),—Of the Board of Trade, of the City of Toronto.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were severally read :—

Of Allen Wilkinson, and others, of the Township of Stanstead and of Thomas Adams, D.C.L., of the Village of Lennoxville, in the Province of Quebec ; and of James Milner, and others, of Mount Brydges, in the Province of Ontario ; severally praying for the passing of the Bill : “ An Act respecting Benevolent Societies.”

Of A. Lindsay, and others, of Manotick,—Of Robert Clark, and others, of Kars,—and of George A. Kidd, and others, of Burritt's Rapids ; severally praying for the enlargement and deepening of the Rideau Canal.

Of the Northern Pacific and Manitoba Railway Company, a Company incorporated by an Act of the Legislature of the Province of Manitoba ; praying to be incorporated by an Act of the Dominion Parliament.

Of William Murray, and others, of the Town of Perth ; praying to be incorporated as “ The Union Railway Company.”

Of Dr. Charles H. Lusk, and others, of Parkville,—Of Wheeler Brothers, and others, of Cataract,—Of A. E. Earl, and others, of Oakville—Of E. A. Robertson, and others, of Oakville,—Of David Plewes, and others, of Brantford,—Of A. Ramage, and others, of Chesley,—And of John Douglass, Warden, and others, of the County of Bruce, all in the Province of Ontario ; and of A. W. Ogilvie and Company, and others, of the City of Montreal ; severally praying for an alteration in the rates of Customs Duties on Wheat and Flour ;—and