

Of the Western Union Telegraph Company ; praying that their present rights and privileges may not be interfered with by any new legislation.

Of Messrs. *Hamilton* Brothers, and others, Merchants and others engaged in the Lumber Trade of the Port of *Quebec* ; praying for certain amendments to the Bill now before Parliament further to amend the Act to provide for the improvement and management of the Harbor of *Quebec*.

Of *E. McGillivray*, President of the *Ottawa* Board of Trade ; praying that the Bill now before Parliament further to amend the Act to provide for the improvement and management of the Harbor of *Quebec*, as affecting the Lumber trade, may not become law.

Of the Municipal Corporation of the Township of *Prembroke*, County of *Renfrew* ; praying that before any further expenditure be incurred on Works on the *Culbute Channel* in the *Ottawa* River, a proper survey be made of the Channels South of the *Allumettes* Island.

Of *R. W. Standly* and others, Salt Manufacturers of the Dominion of *Canada* ; praying for the appointment of a Salt Inspector.

A Motion being made and seconded, That the Petition of the Bar of the Province of *Quebec*, section of the District of *St. Francis*, presented on Friday last ; praying that an enquiry be instituted into the existing state of the Judiciary of the said Province, and that such legislative action be had as will secure to the Judges a proper and sufficient annual retiring allowance, be now received,

Mr. Speaker ruled, That " this Petition cannot be received, as the granting of the " prayer thereof would involve the expenditure of Public Money."

Mr. Speaker reported to the House, That the Recognizance to the Election Petition of *John McCaw*, against the Election and Return of *Walter Ross*, Esquire, for the Electoral District of the County of *Prince Edward*, is *objectionable*.

Also, That the Recognizances to the Petitions of *Clement Deschamps*, against the Election and Return of *Rodolph Laflamme*, Esquire, for the Electoral District of *Jacques Cartier* ; of *George Sylvain*, Esquire, against the Election and Return of *Romuald Fiset*, Esquire, for the Electoral District of *Kimouski* ; of *Alexander Forbes*, *Maitland Parker Ketchum* and *Alexander McCallum*, Esquires, against the Election and Return of *Joseph Keeler*, Esquire, for the Electoral District of the East Riding of the County of *Northumberland* ; and of *William Paterson*, *Hugh McDermid* and *David Whaler*, against the Election and Return of *Thomas Mayne Daly*, Esquire, for the Electoral District of the North Riding of the County of *Perth*, are *unobjectionable*

The Honorable Mr. *Campbell* reported, from the General Committee of Elections, the names of the Members of the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Electoral District of the West Riding of the County of *Peterborough*, to which they had annexed the Petition referred to them by the House relative thereto ; and the names of the Committee were read as follow :— *William Johnston Almon*, Esquire, the Honorable *Timothy Warren Anglin* *Charles Carroll Colby*, Esquire, *Joseph Rymal*, Esquire, Chairman, *Acalus Lockwood Palmer*, Esquire,

Mr. *Crawford*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented to the House the Fourth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :—

Your Committee have considered the following Bills, and have agreed to report the same severally amended :—

Bill respecting Deck Loads.

Bill to incorporate the Maritime Equipment Company of the Dominion of *Canada*.

Bill to amend the Charter of the Dolphin Manufacturing Company.