PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. Ogilvie,—Of R. W. Shepherd, President of the Ottawa River Navigation Company, and others.

By the Honorable Mr. Clemow,—Of D. Murphy, and others, Forwarders, of Ottawa,—Of John M. Garland, Vice President of the Board of Trade of Ottawa.

By the Honorable Mr. Merner,—Of James Norris, and others, of the City of St. Catharines,—And of W. & F. Tench, Millers, of the Village of Chippewa.

By the Honorable Mr. Sanford,—Of I. & P. R. Howard, and others, of Hagers ville,—And of D. H. McMillan & Co., and others, of Winnipeg.

By the Honorable Mr. Hardisty, -Of Joseph Ick Evans, and others, of the City of Toronto.

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

Of the Presbytery of Hamilton; the Methodist Ministers' Association; the Ministerial Association, and the Evangelical Alliance, of the City of Hamilton; the Ministerial Association, and the Presbytery of Toronto; praying for the closing of the Welland Canal on the Lord's Day.

Of I. G. Dunbar, and others, of the Village of Shelburne,—Of James Reid, and others, of the Town of Mount Forest,—Of M. G. Murphy, and others, of the Town of Mitchell,—Of Joseph Pollard, and others, of the Town of Mitchell,—Of Henry Williams, and others, of the Town of Cornwall, all in the Province of Ontario,—And of John J. Williams, and others, of New Rockland, in the County of Richmond, in the Province of Quebec; severally praying for the passing of the Bill: "An Act respecting Benevolent Societies."

Of the Ontario Loan and Debenture Company; praying for the passing of an Act authorizing them to create a Debenture Stock, consolidating their borrowing powers, and for other purposes.

Of A. J. McNab, and others; praying to be incorporated as the Lake Manitoba Railway and Canal Company.

Of the London Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Canada; praying for certain amendments to their Act of incorporation, and for other purposes.

Of A. E. Shelton, and others, of the Town of Calgary, in the District of Alberta' in the North-West Territories; praying to be incorporated as The Calgary, Alberta and Montana Railway Company.

Of James Trow, and others, of the City of Stratford, and elsewhere; praying to be incorporated as The Dominion Life Assurance Company.

Of John Fennell, President, and J. D. Bowman, Secretary of the Berlin and Canadian Pacific Junction Railway Company; praying for an Act extending the time for the commencement and completion of their Railway, and for other purposes.

Of George T. Baird, and others, of Perth Centre, in the Province of New Brunswick; praying to be incorporated as "The Edmunston and Florenceville Railway Company."

Of the Honorable Amor DeCosmos, and others, of the City of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia; praying to be incorporated as The Victoria, Saanich and New Westminster Railway Company.