

## PRAYERS.

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

By the Honourable Mr. Mills,—Of George McLagan, President, and J. R. Shaw, Secretary of the Canadian Furniture Manufacturers' Association.

By the Honourable Mr. King,—Of the Canada Eastern Railway Company.

By the Honourable Mr. Clemow,—Of J. R. Booth and others, of the City of Ottawa, in the Province of Ontario ; and of the Canada Atlantic Railway Company.

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

Of R. Préfontaine, of the City of Montreal, in the Province of Quebec, and others ; praying to be incorporated under the name of "The Dawson City Electric Company" ; and

Of George H. Perley and others ; praying to be incorporated with power to construct and operate a line of railway from a point at or near the Town of Labelle, in the County of Ottawa, or the City of Montreal, in the Province of Quebec, or from a point on the Ottawa and Gatineau Railway, or from the City of Hull, in said County of Ottawa, then running northerly to the sources of the Gatineau and St. Maurice Rivers, then to a point near the source of the Migiskeen or Bell River, in the North-east Territory, then to Lake Mattagami, thence to some point near Rupert's Bay.

The Honourable Mr. Mills, Minister of Justice, presented to the Senate,—Certain correspondence relating to the construction of the Yukon Railway.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. Scott, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Mills, it was

Ordered, That the said correspondence be printed for the use of members.

The Honourable Sir Mackenzie Bowell moved, seconded by the Honourable Mr. Ferguson,

That a special Committee of the Senate be appointed—

1. To inquire into the amount, source, and expenditure of all subsidies granted to the Drummond County Railway Company, and of all other moneys received and expended by the said company, and the times and manner of such expenditure.

2. The capital stock of the company, proceeds of all sales of same by the company, subscriptions of stock, names of subscribers, amounts subscribed, calls made thereon, and amounts paid on same, transfers of stock from time to time, and to whom.

3. The financial position of the company, its liabilities, matured or accruing, inclusive of bonds sold and their proceeds, of loans, or advances made to or by the company, and the application of the same, together with particulars of all guarantees or endorsements given to or by the company in relation thereto.

4. The particulars of all offers, or negotiations for the sale, lease or transfer of the company's property.

5. The classification and condition of said railway and equipment, at any time or times, together with all matters and things relating to the said Drummond County Railway Company, inclusive of all negotiations and dealings with the Government of Canada in reference to the said company.

Said Committee to be as follows :—The Honourable Messieurs Clemow, Cox, De Boucherville, Ferguson, Kirchoffer, King, Loughheed, Landry, Miller, Mills, Macdonald (B.C.), Power, Prowse, Primrose, Thibaudeau (de la Vallière), Wood, and the mover ; with power to send for papers, persons, and records, and to employ such persons as the Committee may deem necessary for the purposes of the said investigation, and to report from time to time.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered, accordingly.

The Honourable Mr. Ferguson moved, seconded by the Honourable Sir Frank Smith,