

Whereupon the Honourable Mr. Comeau came to the Table and took and subscribed the Oath prescribed by law, which was administered by Samuel Edmour St. Onge Chapleau, Esquire, one of the Commissioners appointed for that purpose, and took his seat accordingly.

The Honourable the Speaker then acquainted the House that the Clerk of the Senate had laid upon the Table the Certificate of one of the Commissioners setting forth that the Honourable Mr. Comeau, a Member of the Senate, had made and subscribed the Declaration of Qualification required by the British North America Act, 1867.

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

By the Honourable Mr. Fiset,—Of John Hall Kelly, of New Carlisle, and others of elsewhere, in the Province of Quebec.

By the Honourable Mr. Power,—Of Joseph Riopelle and others, of the City of Ottawa, in the Province of Ontario.

By the Honourable Mr. Coffey,—Of Daniel Gallery, of the City of Montreal, and others of elsewhere.

By the Honourable Mr. Davis,—Of Frederick H. Markey, of the City of Montreal, and others of elsewhere.

By the Honourable Mr. Watson, for the Honourable Mr. Bostock,—Of James B. MacDonald, of the City of Winnipeg, in the Province of Manitoba, and others of elsewhere; of Henry Blitz, of the City of New York, in the State of New York, one of the United States of America, and others of elsewhere.

By the Honourable Mr. Tessier,—Of the Quebec Oriental Railway Company.

By the Honourable Mr. David,—Of the Accident and Guarantee Company of Canada.

By the Honourable Mr. Lougheed,—Of the British Columbia Electric Railway Company, Limited; of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, and the Vancouver and Lulu Island Railway Company.

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

Of the Manitoba and Northwestern Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act authorizing them to construct, acquire and operate a line from a point at or near Bredenbury, on its main line, to a point northeasterly at or near Kamsack, in the Province of Saskatchewan.

Of the Témiscouata Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act granting the company additional powers.

Of the Montreal Corn Exchange; praying for the passing of an Act to enlarge the Welland Canal, in so doing to facilitate the transportation of grain to eastern markets and for other purposes.

Of Robert D. Fletcher and others, of the City of Winnipeg, in the Province of Manitoba; praying for the passing of an Act incorporating them as the Manitoba Radial Railway Company.

Of Jas. S. Shields, of Regina, in the Province of Saskatchewan, and others of elsewhere; praying for the passing of an Act incorporating them under the name of the Western Rivers Improvement Company.

Of George A. Keiffer and others, of Montreal, in the Province of Quebec; praying for the passing of an Act incorporating them as the Prudential Savings Society.

Of the Quebec, Montreal and Southern Railway Company; praying for the passing of an Act empowering them to construct and operate a line from a point at or near the Village of Contrecoeur, in the County of Verchères, to a point at or near the Parish of Yamaska, in the County of Yamaska.

Of Joseph Ulric Vincent and others, of the City of Ottawa, in the Province of Ontario; praying for the passing of an Act incorporating them as the St. Joseph Transportation Company.