

April 30, 1872

HOUSE OF COMMONS

Tuesday, April 30, 1872

The **SPEAKER** took the chair at 3 p.m.

Prayers

ROUTINE BUSINESS

Mr. MACFARLANE presented the report on Standing Orders.

Several petitions were presented and read.

Mr. MACFARLANE moved, seconded by **Mr. BOWN**, that the time for receiving private bills should be extended to the 6th of June, and petitions to the 16th of May.

Hon. Mr. CHAUVEAU moved to introduce a Bill founded on the petition of D.R. Archer for obtaining a patent with reference to a knitting machine and loom.

Hon. Mr. MACKENZIE thought that the measure of the Government, in the regard to patents would supersede any necessity for this Bill.

Hon. Mr. POPE said he would introduce a Bill to amend the Patent Act on Friday.

Mr. BOWN introduced a Bill to incorporate the North Western Railway of Manitoba.

Mr. SHANLY moved for leave to bring a Bill for an Act to incorporate the St. Lawrence International Bridge Company of Manitoba.

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Mr. GRANT moved for leave to introduce a Bill to incorporate the Canadian Pacific Railway Company.

Mr. MORRISON (Niagara) moved for leave to introduce a Bill to incorporate the Interoceanic Railway Company of Canada.—Referred to Committee on Railway.

Mr. BOWN moved for leave to incorporate the Central Railway Company of Manitoba.

Hon. Sir GEORGE-É. CARTIER moved for leave to introduce a bill to incorporate Montreal Grand Trunk and Lake Champlain Railroad Co.

Mr. MAGILL moved for an Act to amend the Act incorporating the Mutual Life Assurance Company of Canada.

Mr. KIRKPATRICK moved for an Act to incorporate the Marine and Fire Insurance Company of Canada.

Hon. Sir FRANCIS HINCKS presented two messages from His Excellency, signed by himself—concerning Supplementary Estimates.

Hon. Sir FRANCIS HINCKS moved that these Messages of His Excellency the Governor General, be referred to a Committee of the Whole House.

Hon. Sir JOHN A. MACDONALD laid upon the table papers relating to the seizure of the *C.H. Horton*.

Hon. Mr. LANGEVIN submitted papers relative to the Miramichi bridge.

Hon. Mr. MACKENZIE stated that the papers relative to the St. Clair Flats Canal had not yet been brought down.

Hon. Sir JOHN A. MACDONALD asked leave to introduce a Bill to give effect to certain articles of the Washington Treaty.

Hon. Mr. MACKENZIE wanted some explanation.

Hon. Sir JOHN A. MACDONALD said that he was merely moving to have the matter put upon the Orders of the Day.

Hon. Mr. MACKENZIE said it would necessitate on the part of the Opposition some action which would produce discussion.

Hon. Sir JOHN A. MACDONALD withdrew his motion.

Hon. Sir FRANCIS HINCKS in moving the House into the Committee of Ways and Means, said:

Mr. Speaker, I propose to follow on this occasion the course suggested last year by the hon. member for Châteauguay (**Hon. Mr. Holton**), and to make the financial statement, which it is my duty to submit to the House, while you, sir, are in the chair, upon motion to go into Committee, instead of following the former practice of making that statement while the House is in Committee.