

The Honorable Sir *Francis Hincks*, from the Select Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented to the House the Ninth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :—

Your Committee have considered the Bill to grant additional powers to the *Quebec and Gulf Ports Steamship Company*, and the Bill to incorporate the *Canadian and West Indian Royal Mail Steamship Company*, to each of which they have made several amendments, and have agreed to report the same for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Robinson* have leave to bring in a Bill to rearrange the capital of the Northern Railway Company of *Canada*, and for other purposes relating to the same.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time ; and referred to the Select Standing Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines.

*Ordered*, That the Right Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald* have leave to bring in a Bill to continue for a limited time "The Insolvent Act of 1869," and the Acts amending the same.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, To-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Joly*, seconded by Mr. *Edgar*,

*Ordered*, That 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 North Riding of the County of *Huron*, have leave to adjourn until the first day of September next.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Mitchell*, seconded by the Right Honorable Sir *John A. Macdonald*,

*Resolved*, That this House do immediately resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution with respect to Shipping Offices, and the Engagement, Discipline and Discharge of Seamen.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and the Honorable Mr. *Campbell* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

*Ordered*, That the Report be now received.

The Honorable Mr. *Campbell* reported the Resolution accordingly ; and the same was read, as followeth :—

*Resolved*, That it is expedient to make provision, common to the Provinces of *Quebec*, *Nova Scotia*, *New Brunswick* and *British Columbia*, with respect to Shipping Offices, and the Engagement, Discipline, and Discharge of Seamen.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

*Ordered*, That the Honorable Mr. *Mitchell* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the Shipping of Seamen.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, To-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for taking into consideration the Resolutions reported, yesterday, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the duty of enquiring into the matters mentioned in the statement of the Honorable Mr. *Huntington*, relating to the Canadian *Pacific Railway* ;

The Honorable Mr. *Cameron (Cardwell)* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Blanchet*, and the Question being proposed, That the said Committee have leave to ad-