MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Select Committee appointed to enquire into all the transactions of the Montreal and Bytown Railway Company.

Monday, 31st March, 1856.

PRESENT:

Messis. Loranger, A. A. Dorion, Poulin. Prévost. LABELLE, LYON.

Mr. Lyon was called to the Chair.

Read the Order of Reference.

On motion of Mr. Dorion, it was Ordered, That the Chairman do move in the House that the Return to an Address of the 5th instant for a statement of the Municipal Debentures for the County of Terrebonne, exchanged by the Govern ment for Provincial Debentures, be referred to this Committee.

On motion of Mr. Prévost, it was Ordered, That the Chairman do move an Address for copies of all communications exchanged between the Department of the Attorney General and that of the Receiver General, in relation to the negotiation of the debentures in question, from the commencement to the present date.

On motion of Mr. Loranger, it was Ordered, That Subpænas be issued for the

appearance of the following persons to give evidence before the Committee. viz: A. M. Delisle, Esq., President of the Montreal and Bytown Railway Company.

W. H. Hopper, Esq., Secretary of the Montreal and Bytown Railway Company, with instructions to produce the books of the Company, including the stock book and all others containing a general statement of the affairs of the Company. its liabilities, assets, &c.

A. B. Papineau, Esq., formerly Mayor of the County of Terrebonne.

J. C. Auger, Esq., formerly Secretary-Treasurer of Terrebonne.

Wm. Sykes, of Caledonia Springs. Jean L. Beaudry, Esq., of Montreal. Adjourned to Call of the Chair.

12th April, 1856.

PRESENT:

Mr. Lyon,—Chairman Messis. Loranger, LABELLE, Prévost, A. A. Dorion, Poulin.

Laid before the Committee, a telegraphic despatch from M. J. A. Auger, dated, "Montreal, 11th April, 1856."

Also, a letter from Sidney Bellingham, Esq., dated, Toronto, 9th April, 1856. Ordered, on motion of Mr. Loranger, That Sidney Bellingham, Esquire, at