

MONDAY, Dec. 19.

The SPEAKER took the chair at 3:15 p.m.

### PETITIONS.

Mr. Wood—From John W. Downs and others, of Brantford, praying for certain amendments in the game laws.

Mr. Currie—Two petitions from the County Council of Middlesex, praying respectively for amendments in the Jury and School Laws.

Mr. Lount—From Eliza Frances Lett and Stephen Lett, of Collingwood, praying for an extension of power to the trustees under the will of the late Joseph Bitterman Spragge

Mr. Carnegie—From the managers of the St. Andrew's Church, Peterborough, praying for an Act to enable them to borrow money, and for other purposes.

### WAYNE COUNTY REGISTRY.

Attorney-General MACDONALD introduced a Bill to authorise the transfer of records belonging to Wayne Co., in Michigan, now in the Registry Office of the County of Essex, to the American authorities. He explained that these books and deeds had come into our possession as far back as fifty-eight years ago. The Bill arranged that copies should be taken by the Registrar and Clerk of the County of such records as related to the lands in Essex.

The Bill was read a first time, and second reading fixed for Friday.

### TORONTO, SIMCOE, AND MUSKOKA JUNCTION RAILWAY.

Mr. CUMBERLAND introduced a Bill to amend the Act incorporating the Toronto, Simcoe, & Muskoka Junction Railway Company.

### COMMISSION OF THE PEACE.

In reply to Mr. Perry,

Attorney-General MACDONALD said it was not the intention of the Government to issue a new commission of the peace for Oxford. They had never been asked to do so.

### HAMILTON & PORT DOVER ROAD COMPANY.

Dr. BAXTER asked whether the debt upon the Hamilton and Port Dover plank and stone road was transferred to Ontario as an asset by the arbitrators.

Also—For address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for copies of Engineers' Reports, and all correspondence with the Hamilton and Port Dover Plank Road Company since July 1st, 1867.