

Tay Bridge Railway, in the town of Dundee, and a new street in lieu of Physic Gardens-street, in Edinburgh, and the Harbour at Inverkeithing, and a further loan to the Magistrates and Town Council of Burntisland; to authorize the Company to subscribe to the Arbroath and Newport Railway Companies; and to establish Savings Banks; and for other purposes.

An Act for empowering the Lancashire Union Railways Company to connect their railway with the North Union Railway and to raise additional capital; and for other purposes.

An Act to amalgamate the Saint Andrew's Railway Company, the Leven and East of Fife Railway Company, the Edinburgh, Loanhead, and Roslin Railway Company, and the Dunfermline and Queensferry Railway Company with the North British Railway Company; and for other purposes.

An Act for vesting in the London and North Western Railway Company the undertaking of the Whitehaven, Cleator, and Egremont Railway Company; and for other purposes.

An Act to authorize the working of the Cleator and Workington Junction Railway by the Furness Railway Company.

An Act for enabling the Clergy Mutual Assurance Society to sue and be sued in the name of a public officer, and for more effectually vesting in their Trustees for the time being the property and securities of the Society; and for other purposes.

An Act for extending the time for the completion of the Coleford Railway; and for other purposes.

An Act to authorize the London and Blackwall Railway Company to extend their railway in the parish of Saint Anne, Limehouse; and for other purposes.

An Act for vesting in the Cornwall Minerals Railway Company, the powers conferred by the Fal Valley Railway Act, 1874, with respect to a portion of the Fal Valley Railway, and for the abandonment of the remainder of that railway; and for other purposes.

An Act for the abandonment of the railway authorized by the Temple Mineral Railway Act, 1874; and for other purposes.

An Act to amend the Glasgow Juvenile Delinquency Repression Acts Amendment Act, 1870.

An Act for authorizing the Bristol Port and Channel Dock Company to construct a graving dock and other works, and to raise further money; and for other purposes.

An Act to authorize the construction by the Wigtonshire Railway Company of a branch railway to the Harbour of Garliestown, and the abandonment of their authorized tramway to the said harbour; and for other purposes.

An Act to authorize the Portpatrick Railway Company to acquire the east pier at the Harbour of Stranraer; and for other purposes.

An Act to incorporate a Company for making a subway under the River Thames between Millwall and Greenwich.

An Act for the rebuilding of the Bridge of Ayr, with approaches thereto, in the county of Ayr; and for other purposes.

An Act for conferring further powers on the Great North of Scotland Railway Company with relation to their undertaking.

An Act for authorizing the West Kent Main Sewerage Board to construct a new sewer, and for amending the West Kent Main Sewerage Act, 1875; and for other purposes.

An Act to incorporate a Company for establishing and holding markets and fairs, and building a Townhall in the town of Pontypridd, and parish

of Llanwonno, in the county of Glamorgan; and for other purposes.

An Act to confirm the amalgamation of the Dublin and Drogheda, Dublin and Belfast Junction, Irish North-Western, and Ulster Railway Companies into one Company, under the name of Great Northern Railway Company (Ireland), and to define and extend the powers of that Company; and for other purposes.

An Act to transfer to the Great Northern Railway Company (Ireland), the Banbridge Junction Railway, the Banbridge, Lisburn, and Belfast Railway, the Banbridge Extension Railway, and the powers of the Dungannon and Cookstown Railway Company, and to grant further powers with respect to the two last-named undertakings; and for other purposes.

*Privy Council Office, June 28, 1877.*

INTIMATION having been received from Ontario, Canada, "that the country around that town is swarming with the Colorado Beetle," the following Memorandum of the Canadian Minister of Agriculture on the subject of this beetle, which was published in the newspapers of November last, is reprinted.

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June, 1877.*

MEMORANDUM of the Canadian Minister of Agriculture, upon reference of a Despatch of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, on the Subject of the Colorado Beetle.

The undersigned, in accordance with a request of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, having carefully examined the Despatches of Lord Carnarvon, respectively bearing date the 3rd of March, 1875, and the 28th of August, 1876, has the honour to report as follows:

The occasion of considering measures for the prevention of the introduction of the Colorado potato beetle into other countries from Canada has not yet presented itself, and the information from the German authorities, conveyed to Her Majesty's Minister at Berlin, on the capture of the insect on board ships and at Bremen, as well as other information given by newspapers relative to its introduction into Sweden, shows that the beetles had come from the United States, having been shipped at ports, the neighbourhoods of which were invaded by them.

The document furnished to Her Majesty's Minister at Berlin, a copy of which forms part of the Despatch of the 28th August last, contains the following remark:

"It may be considered an almost insoluble problem in regard to transatlantic ships traffic to prevent by more extensive supervisory measures the introduction of these beetles into Europe."

The difficulty thus foreseen by the German authorities cannot but be self-evident when the habits and modes of progression of the insect are examined; for not only does it move by flying, and by navigating, so to speak, smooth water, but also travels on common vehicles, railway carriages and platforms, on decks of vessels, &c., especially during the months of August and September.

In localities fully invaded, the beetles may be seen creeping on side walks, bridges, and wharves, crawling up buildings, occupying fences, lodging themselves in every crevice, penetrating houses and dwellings, ascending and occupying vehicles of all sorts, finding their way into boats and vessels, placing themselves on any and every