

Ottawa Items from Railway and Shipping World - 1906

01-Jan-1906 Page 25 Montreal and Ottawa

Representatives of the CPR waited on the Government at Ottawa Dec. 19 for the purpose of obtaining sanction to construct a double track from its existing lines into the Central Station, Ottawa. The CPR obtains its entrance into the Central Station under an agreement with the CAR which the GTR, since taking over the CAR has notified that it desires to terminate. The CPR has applied for a separate right of way, but the GTR objects on the ground that the Dominion Government has already granted to the CAR all the available right of way into the Central Station. The agreement for this, it is stated, provides for the use by other companies of the tracks on equitable terms. The matter is under consideration by the Government.

01-Jan-1906 Page 35 Kingston, Portsmouth and Cataract

The erection of the power plant by the newly organized company has been completed and the cars have been operated by it for over a month.

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The Central Railway is the title of a company originally projected as the Ottawa River Ry. with power to construct a line from Montreal to Ottawa. It was proposed to operate the line, for which surveys were made, by electricity. Charters were subsequently obtained from the Dominion Parliament as well as the Quebec and Ontario legislatures, covering the line from Montreal to Ottawa on the north side of the Ottawa River; a crossing of the river at Hawkesbury, and a line thence to Midland and St. Thomas. Senator Domville of Rothesay, NB is president of the company, and it is stated that United States capital is behind the project. The company has deposited \$25,000 with the Receiver-General in accordance with the provisions of the Dominion charter, 1903. This deposit will be repaid to the company as progress is made on the line between Montreal and Grenville but is liable to be forfeited if construction is not proceeded with. J.M. Shanley is Chief Engineer and it is stated that construction will be commenced early next year.

01-Feb-1906 Page 65 North Lanark

In connection with surveys recently made for the construction of a line from Ottawa in the direction of Blythfield twp. a report has been current that the charter of the North Lanark Ry., which was incorporated by the Ontario Legislature, has been acquired by the New York Central Ry. We are advised that there is no foundation for this report and that the NYC is not in any way interested in the surveys. The North Lanark Co. obtained an act from the Ontario legislature in 1903 extending the time for the completion of the lines authorized, varying the location, and giving power to amalgamate with the CAR or the

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Senator Domville, C.N. Armstrong of Montreal and A.N. Shepler of New York left for England early in Jan. in the interest of the Central Ry. of Canada.

01-Feb-1906 Page 89 Ottawa Electric

Plans have been deposited with the Minister of Public Works and the Registrar of deeds for Carleton County showing the site of an extension of the company's pier at Britannia-on-the-Bay, Ottawa River. The company will apply within one month from Jan. 20 for the government's approval of the

01-Mar-1906 Page 145 Other

H.J. Beemer, railway contractor and promoter, formerly of Ottawa, and now of New York, is engaged with a number of others in prosecuting O.A. Rogers of Phoenix, Ariz. on a charge of embezzling \$300,000. Mr. Beemer with a number of others, joined a mining syndicate and the alleged embezzlement took place in connection with some of its transactions. It is reported in Ottawa that Mr. Beemer has lost \$200,000 in the concern.

01-Mar-1906 Page 145 New York Central

H.W. Gays, General Manager, G.H. Phillips, General Freight and Passenger Agent, H.K. Gays, Assistant General Passenger Agent, NY&O and W. Gays, also in the employ of the same company, are among the incorporators of the Quebec and Ontario Lumber Co. which has been incorporated under the Dominion Companies Act with offices in Ottawa and a capital of \$20,000.

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C. Spencer, heretofore conductor on the Montreal-Ottawa run, has retired, and has been given a position as travelling conductor over the Eastern Division. He will inspect the cleanliness and ventilation of the cars, encourage the men in being careful about their personal appearance; attention and politeness to passengers, and generally to give the younger conductors and train men the benefit of his experience.

01-Apr-1906 Page 201 Canada Atlantic

E.J. Chamberlain, who was General Manager of the CAR until it passed into the hands of the GTR was entertained at dinner at Ottawa, March 3, by those who had been officials on the line during his managership. On behalf of the officials, M. Donaldson, Superintendent of the Ottawa Division GTR (the former CAR) presented Mr. Chamberlain with an illuminated address in book form, bound in morocco, and relieved by paintings of familiar scenes illustrating the progress of the road during the last twenty years. It also included engravings of his private car, his lodge in Algonquin Park, an autograph page, and emblematic drawings of the discovery and application of steam to motive power and also the uses of electricity in that connection. Accompanying it was a book of photos of the former official staff.

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Hon. J. Domville, one of the promoters of the Canada Central Ry. fell on the deck of the Cunard liner Lucania, Mar. 7, while returning from England, and sustained a compound fracture of the leg.

01-Apr-1906 Page 209 Winchester

The bridges on the line between St. Annes and Smiths Falls, 108 miles, are to be put into a condition to carry a second track when it is decided to carry one through to the latter point.

01-Apr-1906 Page 215 Central of Canada

Senator Domville has returned from Great Britain where he has been for some time seeking to finance the construction of this projected electric railway from Montreal to Ottawa thence to Georgian Bay and on to St. Thomas. At St. John NB he stated in an interview that he had interested a syndicate in London in the proposal. Representatives of the men belonging to it are in Canada looking at the plans and going over the projected route.

01-May-1906 Page Not seen.

01-Jun-1906 Page 327 Winchester
 We were advised, May 18, that the company had not let any contracts for the construction of the second track on the Eastern Division between Montreal and Smiths Falls, as stated in local press reports.

01-Jul-1906 Page 391 Buckingham
 Officials of the CPR have been visiting Buckingham where the question of constructing a branch line into the town was discussed. We were advised June 16, that nothing definite could be said about the project.

01-Jul-1906 Page 403 Renfrew
 The contract for the excavation and concrete work on the subway at Bank Street has been let to T.S. Kirby & Co. at \$30,000.

01-Jul-1906 Page 403 Ottawa Terminal
 The railway commissioners have had under consideration the application of the GTR to expropriate various properties around the Central Station for terminal purpose in connection with the new station.

01-Jul-1906 Page 409 Smiths Falls
 James Bay Railway. Under the powers of the Dominion Act of 1905, the company has power to construct a railway from near Toronto easterly to Ottawa; from the mouth of the French River, passing through or near Ottawa, and Hawkesbury to Montreal---. Plans for these lines have been filed with the Railway Commissioners. The line from Toronto to Ottawa has been surveyed between the CPR and the GTR lines for the greater part of the distance. The entry into Ottawa is planned south of the civic isolation hospital, and on to Nicholas Street near the GTR coal bins. East of Ottawa location plans for the JB Ry. have been approved by the Railway Commissioners from Hawkesbury West, the eastern terminus of the Great Northern Ry. to the boundary between Russell and Prescott counties, 28.07 miles.

01-Aug-1906 Page 467 L'Orignal
 Notice has officially been given that with the consent of the Governor in Council, the James Bay Ry. has changed its name to the Canadian Northern Ontario Ry. and that the change of name took effect June 30.
 A contract has been let to J.T. Schell M.P. Alexandria for the grading of the line from Hawkesbury which is the eastern terminus of the GNRy. of Canada, part of the CNQRy. - and Ottawa 55 miles. It is expected to have the grading on the section between Hawkesbury and Rockland completed by Dec. 1. The company will do its own tracklaying.

01-Aug-1906 Page 477 Hull Electric
 W.R. Baker assistant to the President CPR, W.R. Taylor and other CPR officials who constitute the Hull Electric Ry. management have been discussing the question of double tracking the line on Main Street, Hull, with a committee of the town council.

01-Sep-1906 Page 525 Other
 H.J. Beemer, formerly connected with the ON&W, PPJ and Interprovincial Bridge, Ottawa, has returned to Mexico where he is engaged in mining enterprises, after a short visit to Canada.

01-Oct-1906 Page 579 Westport
 The rolling stock consists of 4 locomotives, 5 passenger cars, 4 emigrant cars, 2 baggage, mail and express cars, 10 box cars, 8 platform cars, 2 coal cars, with air brakes and auto-couplings, 1 snow plow.

01-Oct-1906 Page 583 Bessemer and Barrys Bay
 Construction on the first five miles of this railway is well under way, and it is expected to be completed and ready for operation about Oct.15. The line extends from L'Amable station on the COR, near Bancroft, to the iron mines of the Mineral Range Iron Mining Co. The railway company is owned by the mining company but it will be operated as the B&BRy. The mining company has 8,000,000 to 10,000,000 tons of ore in sight, which will be shipped over the line. The ore is high grade Bessemer magnetite and will be delivered on board the cars. The company does not propose to engage in any further construction at present, although its charter permits of the construction of a line from L'Amable to Barry's Bay on the Ottawa Division of the GTR (the old CAR). The officers and directors are: President, H.C. Farnum, Bessemer, ON; Vice-President, W.J. Sargent, Bancroft; Secretary-Treasurer, H.L. Bingham, Bessemer; other directors, J.C. Dale, W. Cross.

01-Oct-1906 Page 585 L'Orignal
 The contractors for the construction of the line from Hawkesbury to Ottawa are Schell & Kennedy, and their headquarters are at Rockland. We have been advised that the grading is progressing satisfactorily, that it is expected to get finished to Rockland this fall, and to Ottawa early in 1907. the total distance is about 55 miles, and the line will connect the CNQRy. with Ottawa.

01-Oct-1906 Page 586 Maniwaki
 There is no truth in the report that the CPR has decided to erect a summer hotel at Blue Sea Lake, in the Gatineau country reached by the COR branch originally known as the Gatineau Valley Colonization Ry.

01-Oct-1906 Page 591 Carleton Place
 Mrs. Broyers, wife of the CPR tie inspector Ottawa, was killed at Carleton Place, Sept 3, the automobile in which she was being struck by a CPR train. Two of the other occupants of the automobile, one of them a daughter of Mrs. Broyers - were rather seriously injured.

01-Oct-1906 Page 593 Bessemer and Barrys Bay
 The B&BR has purchased one locomotive, 12 automatic dump cars and one flat car. It is considering the question of purchasing additional rolling stock.

01-Nov-1906 Page 649 L'Orignal
 Grading is reported completed from Hawkesbury westerly to Rockland and it is expected that trains will be running over it by May next. When this line is completed into Ottawa the CNRy will have a line in operation from Ottawa to Quebec. The easterly connections are being surveyed, one line to Toronto and another to the mouth of the French river. It is expected that contracts for some construction on one or both of these will be let early in 1907.

01-Nov-1906 Page 675 Central of Canada

Sir Adolphe Caron and Senator Domville returned to Canada recently after a visit to Great Britain, in connection with the negotiations with a British syndicate respecting the construction of the proposed railway. A London, Eng. report of Sep 20 states that there are some difficulties in the way and it is not likely that there will be anything further done for some time.

An action has been entered by seven members of one of the company's survey parties for amounts totalling \$1,102 for salaries while out on survey work in Prescott and Russell counties.

01-Dec-1906 Page 711 Westport

The directors and officers recently made a trip of inspection over the line, in which they were accompanied by the Dominion Government Inspector Johnston. During the season a large number of new ties have been put in, and several miles ballasted.

01-Dec-1906 Page 723 L'Orignal

Grading has been completed for about 36 miles from Hawkesbury towards Ottawa. the question of the entrance of the line into Ottawa has not been settled, the city having entered some objections, and as a result the plans for the route in to the city of the line from Hawkesbury and of the line from Toronto, have not been approved by the Minister of Railways.

01-Dec-1906 Page 727 Renfrew

A 13 stall roundhouse has been completed at Madawaska.

Engineers representing the GTR and Ottawa city council have accepted excavation and concrete work upon the subway at Bank Street and are preparing to erect the steel bridge. It is expected that the work will be completed early in Dec.

01-Dec-1906 Page 727 Alexandria

An 85 car siding has been completed at Casselman, a 100 car siding at Alexandria.