

Local Railway Items from Ottawa Papers - 1882

06/01/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Ottawa and Arnprior Junction*

The Arnprior Chronicle says: The Ottawa and Arnprior Junction Railway scheme is meeting with great favor among the people of this vicinity.

09/01/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Maniwaki*

A meeting of the stockholders of the Gatineau Valley Railway took place at the Windsor House on Saturday. -- After some discussion relating to the organization of the company, Mr. Black handed in the stock books which showed that the necessary stock had been subscribed and the first installments paid in enabling the meeting to legally go on with the election of a board of directors. More.

11/01/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *QMO&O*

Full report of the dispute between Hon. M. Chapleau (premier) and Sir Hugh Allan touching the QMO&O Railway negotiations. CP wished to purchase the road.

11/01/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *St. Lawrence and Ottawa* *Chaudiere*

Mr. Archer Baker yesterday inspected the branch line of the St. Lawrence and Ottawa Railway with a view to ascertaining what is necessary to be done to put the track into good condition.

13/01/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Ottawa City Passenger*

The summer street cars are being handsomely renovated in New Edinburgh under the supervision of Mr. Anderson, the company's mechanic. A couple of street car drivers came near indulging in a fisticuff encounter one night recently through one failing to make regular connection.

13/01/1882 *Renfrew Mercury* *Brockville*

It is said that hereafter the line between Brockville and Ottawa will be devoted more largely to passenger traffic and that between Prescott and Ottawa to freight traffic, the new order of things dating from last Monday, when the syndicate took possession of the latter road. It is also stated that hereafter, when the Grand Trunk is late from the West, the train will not wait at Brockville. If this be true, it is another illustration of the remarkably deficient designing powers of the C.P.R. The country to be served between Brockville and Mactier has more claims than that between Prescott and Ottawa, and if wither ought to wait for the Western Grand trunk it surely ought to be the C.P.R. - Central Canadian.

17/01/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *St. Lawrence and Ottawa*

Hi Loomis, the well known locomotive engineer of the St. Lawrence & Ottawa Railway will remain at the Lower Town station, taking a train to Prescott and back daily. The other engineers will run into the Union station.

18/01/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Chaudiere* *Chaudiere*

Clerk of the city of Ottawa has received the following:

The undersigned, on behalf of the Canada Atlantic Railway, hereby makes application for the use of a portion of the lands held by your corporation in connection with the water works property situate and lying between Broad street and the northerly line of Britannia street, and a small piece between Thomas McKay & Co.'s mill and the westerly end of the iron bridge, together with the necessary street crossings included between the line of the city limits, first concession Ottawa front and the Union Suspension Bridge, as shown upon a profile and plan herewith enclosed to the Clerk of your corporation, for the purpose of laying out and constructing the Chaudiere terminal of the said Canada Atlantic Railway, with the switches and side tracks necessary in connection therewith, subject to such conditions as may be agreed upon between the corporation and the said railway company, and in order to facilitate the settlement of said conditions, I beg to intimate that representatives of the said railway company will be glad to meet a committee of your corporation at an early date for the purpose of considering the conditions and details pertaining thereto. Most respectfully.

E. McGillivray.

President C.A.R. Co. Ottawa, January 16, 1882.

18/01/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *St. Lawrence and Ottawa*

City by law referring to the original by-law of 1853.

19/01/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *QMO&O*

By the Q.M.O. & O. Railway train last night, Colonel Voht, chief of police left for Calumet accompanied by the following men: Sergt. Harso and constables Burke, Simard, Collier, Fleury, Buteau, Grenier, Redmond, Marcoux and Martel. It is understood that they have been sent up by the government in the event of trouble occurring amongst the section men of the railway in that vicinity in consequence of the reduction of wages from \$1 to 80 cents per diem. It was explained that this reduction was made in order to keep all hands employed till spring, although there is not said to be now enough work for over one half of them.

On Monday last the section men employed on the Q.M.O. & O. Railway near Thurso struck work and have not yet resumed it. The cause of complaint alleged by them is that the managers of the road reduced their wages for the last month from one dollar to eighty cents per day without notifying them of their intention to do so. It is stated that men employed at other points along the line have also refused to work or to accept the eighty cents a day. The strikers also endeavor to intimidate others from working. A gang of men went out from Hull to take their place, but returned without doing any work, owing, it is said, to a rumor which was circulated to the effect that a gang of fifty men were to be on hand to prevent them working.

24/01/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *St. Lawrence and Ottawa* *Sussex Street*

His Excellency the Governor General arrived in Ottawa at the Lower Town station of the St. Lawrence and Ottawa Railway, yesterday shortly before noon where a cordial greeting awaited the Vice-Regal party. The inclement state of the weather, which completely upset all official preparations in the shape of a private reception, also prevented a very large gathering of citizens to welcome the Marquis once more to Canada. His arrival was pretty confidently looked for on Sunday evening, and numbers of persons, in expectation of the event, flocked to the station only to be disappointed with the news that snow drifts blocked his way. -- Several hours of delay were caused by drifts on the Grand Trunk. The lines of the Intercolonial and the St. Lawrence and Ottawa, though both exposed to the worst effects of heavy drifts, were kept well open and the authorities in charge deserve every credit for the manner in which they successfully fought the worst storm of the season. His Excellency left Prescott at ten o'clock and proceeded to Ottawa by special train, which was in charge of Conductor O'Neil who made the trip in one hour and a half, good time when the state of the rails in such weather is taken into account. The Vice Regal train was preceded by a pilot engine, and it may also be stated that the main lines in several places yesterday, engines with snow ploughs were at work keeping the track clear. Large crowd assembled -- A salute was fired from Nepean Point. The Vice regal party drove to Rideau Hall.

25/01/1882 Toronto Daily Mail Canada Atlantic

Regular trains are now running on the Canada Atlantic railway between High Falls and Coteau. There are two trains each way daily.

25/01/1882 Ottawa Free Press St. Lawrence and Ottawa

Messrs. Hiram Loomis, Frank Daniels and Thomas O'Neil are the only three locomotive engineers kept actively engaged at present on the St. L. & O. road. The passenger train is brought in and out by Engineer Loomis, Messrs. Daniels and O'Neil doing the freight and shunting trains respectively. The other engineers, Messrs. Manion, Brackenbury, Wallace and Horan are held in reserve, and it is probable that their services will be brought into requisition shortly.

26/01/1882 Toronto Daily Mail Kingston (CP) Kingston

The new car works of the K. and P. railway at Kingston are completed. A new engine house will be built in the spring.

27/01/1882 Renfrew Mercury Brockville

The statement that the C.P.R. express leaving Brockville in the afternoon will not wait for the G.T.R. train when late has been denied by Mr. Baker, who says connections will be made as usual.

27/01/1882 Renfrew Mercury Belleville Perth

The lumber for the shops is now arriving daily, and progress is being made with the works. One building will be over 400 feet in length, with four tracks running into it. - Perth Expositor.

Messrs. Graham Bayer & Co., of the Carleton Place machine works have been awarded the contract for the engine for the carchops at Perth. The engine will be about 140 horse power and will cost about \$1,500. The boiler will be provided by the company themselves. - Perth Courier.

27/01/1882 Renfrew Mercury Kingston (CP)

Kingston and Pembroke Railway.

The following statement is probably taken from one of the Kingston papers, but we find it, uncredited, in some of our exchanges.

The track on the extension of this line has been completed as far as the company intend to run this season. The new line is about eleven miles in length, and it is said to be in fine condition. Workmen are now laying the rail on the branch line to the Lavant mine, three quarters of a mile. The ore at the Lavant and other mines has been heaped up for several years awaiting transit. This will be shipped to Kingston, and there is enough of it to keep from eight to ten cars daily in use for the next three months. The Caldwell's and the Bethlehem Iron Company, of Pennsylvania, have several mines open. The railway has never been in a more prosperous condition, and the outlook is very bright and promising. Last year's business, we are credibly informed, nearly doubled that of the year before. There is every prospect of the near completion of the road to Renfrew. The surveyors are busily engaged in locating the line from the Clyde to the Madawaska, and in all probability the K. & P.R.R. will be linked with the Canada Pacific railway. The line from Sharbot Lake to Perth will be pushed ahead as rapidly as possible, and by this time next year Kingstonians can leave the city in the morning and be in the Capital before noon. The railroads from Brockville and Prescott will undoubtedly feel the competition, as for passengers and freight business, the shortest route will be the most popular. From Kingston to Brockville, a distance of 48 miles, and to Prescott, 60 miles, can be saved by using the new line.

31/01/1882 Ottawa Free Press St. Lawrence and Ottawa locomotive

Mr. Frank Daniels, locomotive engineer of the St. L. & O. R.R. will take an engine to Winnipeg for the C.P.R.

A special train left the St. L. & O. R.R. depot this morning at 9 a.m. with Messrs. McIntyre and Van Horne aboard for Prescott.

A special train in charge of conductor Terry O'Neil with Mr. Archer Baker on board, made the distance from Prescott last night on the St. L. & O. R.R. in one hour and thirty-seven minutes.

31/01/1882 Ottawa Citizen St. Lawrence and Ottawa

A special train from Prescott under the charge of Conductor O'Neil arrived here last evening having on board Mr. Archer Baker, Superintendent of the line, and Mr. Spencer, Paymaster of the Road. The train left Prescott at 5.35 p.m. and the run to Ottawa was made in one hour and thirty-seven minutes. The train goes back at 9 a.m. today taking out Messrs. D. McIntyre, Van Horn (sic) and other prominent parties connected with the road.

03/02/1882 Ottawa Free Press Aylmer branch

On Monday evening a drunken man raised a disturbance on the Aylmer train, and refused to show the conductor his ticket. In the struggle which ensued when the conductor was putting him off a pane of glass was broken.

07/02/1882 Ottawa Citizen Canada Atlantic

On Thursday evening Mr. Robert McCallum, Civil Engineer Inspector for Railways for Ontario, was in Montreal having just closed his inspection of that part of the Canada Atlantic Railway running between the Ontario border and Casselman. His inspection has been most satisfactory to the company. There is now completed and in running order some fifty miles of the line. It is in running order between Coteau and Casselman, thus leaving thirty miles to be finished in order to complete the distance to Ottawa. In a day or two the company's engineers will have crossed the St. Lawrence to Valleyfield. from this place they will soon locate the railway line through to Rouses Point where the Canada Atlantic will strike a junction with several railways that lead to the sea in straight lines either to New York, Boston or other points. --

17/02/1882 Ottawa Citizen Ottawa City Passenger

The street cars were put on wheels yesterday. The snow has almost disappeared from the streets and the sleighing is conducted with much difficulty.

18/02/1882 Ottawa Free Press Ottawa Colonization

The survey of the line to connect with the Gatineau Valley under the superintendence of Mr. Murray Mitchell, is progressing most favorably. The party have now reached Priest Creek about 19 miles north of Buckingham, where the line will cross the Du Lievre and thence proceed in a westerly direction until the main line of the Gatineau road is reached. Our people are anxiously awaiting the completion of the survey, and the report, not only of the engineers but of the mineralogist who accompanies the party, and should it be resolved to construct the road, unless some unforeseen event occurs to change their minds, will give substantial aid toward the construction of the road - Dispatch.

20/02/1882 Ottawa Free Press St. Lawrence and Ottawa

A number of the old employees of the St. Lawrence and Ottawa Railway who have been retained in the service of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company have removed their residences to Upper Town and the Flats in the vicinity of the Union Station.

20/02/1882 Ottawa Free Press Canada Atlantic

Mr. Sims, one of the contractors for the C.A. Railway, has had twenty men at work about twelve miles out the Russell road, cutting down trees and grading in preparation for next summer's track laying.

How the work on the Canada Atlantic is progressing.
Other side of the St. Lawrence and the bridge.

Between Ottawa and Casselman some 350 men were busily engaged on the work of construction. The masonry of the bridge over the Nation River was completed and the Toronto bridge Company were at present proceeding with operations to allow them to go on with their part of the work. The masonry of the bridge which was laid in cement, was done by Mr. Linsley, contractor, and is in every respect a first class job. The work was assiduously prosecuted during the winter and in order to permit of this artificial heaters were used upon which the stone was laid preparatory to being placed upon the wall. The bridge was some 350 feet in length and 30 feet high, and addition to presenting a picture of stability the work was neatly executed. Large new arches 160 feet long are being built at Big Gully, three miles on this side Nation River. The next work in progress was at South Indian creek, at which point masons were busily erecting a large culvert. Tenders were being received for the building of the Rideau River and Canal bridges and the work of construction was intended to be proceeded with at an early date.

The enterprise of Mr. D.C. Linsley, the general manager of the road is deserving of praise in leaving no time or pains to bring the construction to an early and successful issue. It is expected that the line will be completed to Ottawa at not later than the middle of July. The present time table issued by the company shows that there are two passenger and two freight trains running daily between Coteau and Caselman. The traffic on that portion of the line is already in excess of what might be anticipated and everything taken into consideration foreshadows a bright financial future for the company and an inestimable boon to the citizens of Ottawa from the additional railway facilities which the running of the line will bring upon them.

24/02/1882 *Renfrew Mercury* *Belleville* *Perth*

The car shops are progressing rapidly, but the workmen are delayed by the non-arrival of the heavy timbers for some of the large buildings. Perth Expositor.

27/02/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *St. Lawrence and Ottawa* *Sussex Street*

Three St. Lawrence and Ottawa locomotive headlights were used in illuminating the Government House grounds at the toboggan party Saturday night.

02/03/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Chaudiere*

Report of council meeting to consider route of C.A.R. Chaudiere extension.

04/03/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Canada Atlantic*

Ald. O'Leary, to whom has been awarded the contract for constructing the two bridges for the Canada Atlantic Railway, has commenced the work, which will be vigorously prosecuted until finished. The bridges, one over the Rideau River and another over the Canal, will cost in all \$8,000, the latter to be one of the staunchest swing bridges in this district.

10/03/1882 *Renfrew Mercury* *Belleville* *Perth*

The second large building for the car shops is now about up, and presents from its great length, an imposing appearance. - Perth Courier.

13/03/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Tramway*

A very large and enthusiastic public meeting of those interested in the proposed mineral railway between Rockland and some convenient point on the Gatineau, connecting with the Gatineau Railway took place on Saturday afternoon last t the town hall, Buckingham.--
Much discussion - development of Ottawa county etc.

17/03/1882 *Renfrew Mercury* *Belleville* *Perth*

The first work to be turned out at the car shops will be 27 passenger cars, which are badly needed at present. The capacity of the works here will be about 9 box cars per week. - Perth Expositor.

18/03/1882 *Quebec Saturday Budget* *Carleton Place* *Ottawa Union*

A lunatic who was being conveyed from the Calumet to a Quebec asylum leaped from the train as it was nearing the Union depot, Ottawa, and escaping from the guards lead Sergeant Graves a wild chase for a few moments. He was finally captured and brought to the waiting room.

06/04/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Canada Atlantic*

Work on the Canada Atlantic Railway is being pushed forward with the utmost despatch. Messrs. Starrs and Fitzgerald will begin operation on their contract Monday next. Mr. Fitzgerald only recently completed a large contract on the same road near Alexandria, and made so many friends on that part of the country during his stay that he was entertained to a sumptuous banquet prior to leaving the district.

10/04/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Canada Atlantic*

This road since it has been completed from Coteau station to the High Falls on the Nation River, a distance of fifty miles, has been running since the first of January from High Falls to Coteau and doing a very good business. Four trains per day are running between these two points, and in the course of a few days the contractor will commence laying the rails from High Falls this way, and he fully expects to be in Ottawa city during the month of July next. The contract could not be in better hands and Mr. Linsley deserves credit for his perseverance and ability in completing the fifty miles now in operation in so short a time. There never was a road in this country built in so short a time, when we consider that the whole expenses was bore by private capital and by two of our most enterprising citizens. It is a matter for regret that the city council did not carry out the wish of the ratepayers and implement the grant of \$100,000. The day may not be far distant when the city will regret the course taken in this matter when the full extent of the error that has been committed will have been discovered.

10/04/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Ottawa Colonization*

The proposed Ottawa Colonization Railway charter has been before the Provincial Legislature of Quebec and received its first and second reading. The scheme is one which must prove a boon to the mineral district of the Ottawa county, as the line will run through Buckingham, Portland, part of Wakefield and Denholm and, crossing the Gatineau River, form a junction with the Ottawa and Gatineau Valley Railway, the two schemes being thus amalgamated. It is certainly high time these two districts, the Gatineau and that lying between the Gatineau river and the Aux Lievres river, were developed, and we hope soon to record the turning of the first sod and commencement of construction.

13/04/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Ottawa City Passenger*

The public is doubtless awaiting patiently when the rumbling 'bus will have been supplemented by the easier going and more convenient street car, the track for the most part of the route being entirely free of ice.

14/04/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Canada Atlantic* *Rideau River bridge*

Ald. O'Leary, who returned to town yesterday, states that he is making fair progress with his contract for the bridges over the Rideau River and the Canal. He has two stone piers completed on the Rideau, and has most of the stone drawn for the bridges.

15/04/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Maniwaki*

Glad to note the arrival in Aylwin of the engineering party which has located the line to this village.
Passage of the Mineral Branch Bill of the Gatineau Railway

15/04/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Ottawa City Passenger*

The street cars commenced running yesterday, supplanting the busses, the track now being clear from the Rideau Falls to the Chaudiere Falls. The cars have received a coat of bright red paint, which makes them present an attractive appearance.

17/04/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Ottawa City Passenger*

The street cars turned out on Saturday and replaced the sleighs and busses which had been alternately doing duty for a considerable time past according to the caprices of the weather.

19/04/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Chalk River*

Upwards of 500 men arrived by the QMO&O at the Union Station at a late hour last night from Montreal on their way too commence work on the extension of the Canadian Pacific Railway near Pembroke. They proceeded by special train to Pembroke at an early hour this morning.

19/04/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Ottawa Colonization*

The Ottawa Colonization Railway bill passed the railway committee of the Quebec legislature yesterday.

21/04/1882 *Renfrew Mercury* *Belleville* *Perth*

The Courier says orders have been received this week to extend the length of the principle building of the car shops at Perth one hundred feet. This makes the building alone three hundred and forty feet long. Two more railway sidings are now under construction and three or four others are to be made, including one that will run all around the grounds. The premises will then be pretty well honey combed with tracks. We are told the work of making cars will commence inside of two weeks. Car loads of machinery are arriving every day. These machines include hydraulic presses, trip hammers, bolt machines, pulleys, shafting &c. The machinery used in the carshops formerly connected with the Central Prison, Toronto, has been purchased and is arriving daily. It is about as good as new.

25/04/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *QMO&O*

Supplement. Speech by Hon. Jos. A. Chapleau on proposing the sale of the western section of the QMO&O in the legislative assembly.

25/04/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Maniwaki*

Notice to contractors - request for tenders for clearing the located line in the townships of Maniwaki, Bouchetteville, Wright and Low.

27/04/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Tramway* *Currier & Co.*

An elevated tramway for conveying lumber to their storehouse is being built by Currier & Co. on the eastern side of the Canal Basin. The tramway reaches from the large store building recently occupied by John Hill as a wholesale house, to the eastern end of Sappers Bridge, at the old stair landing.

27/04/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Canada Central* *Ottawa, Broad Street*

The railway authorities at the Union Station have made a good move. They will not permit any shantymen under the influence of liquor to depart in any of the trains, but will detain them till they come to their sober senses. This will save a good deal of trouble and - the windows of the cars. Yesterday an inebriated shantymen attempted to board an up train on the C.P.R. but was gently prevented from doing so by Constable Tom Graves, who held him in check until the train departed. The man of the woods turned up sober this morning, and was then allowed to proceed to his destination up the river.

02/05/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *QMO&O*

Quebec legislature ratifies the sale of the western division of the QMO&O to the CPR which receives the signature of the Lieut.-Governor General.

06/05/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Maniwaki* *Kazabazua*

The engineers and party have today projected their location to the Kazabazua plains and the line will cross the Kazabazua River about one mile and a half from this village. The work has become somewhat retarded owing to the great quantity of water on the low lands and swamps but the weather of the last week here has been favorable to field operations and the work continues bravely on. The people are very enthusiastic and are lending all assistance in their powers to expedite matters in this and adjoining townships.

08/05/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Maniwaki* *Aylwin*

The surveyor's line of the Ottawa & Gatineau R.R. was carried across the Kazabazua today. We ship camp to Kelleen's, Lowe township, on Monday.

09/05/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Canada Atlantic* *Archville*

Yesterday forenoon a workman employed on the Canada Atlantic Railway met with a serious accident at a point of the line near the school house at Archville. It appears that the man in question was attempting to leap on to the gravel train when he missed his footing and fell on the track, the car passing over him and crushing him terribly. The injured man was carried to Coynes hotel and medical aid was immediately summoned to attend to his injuries.

10/05/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Canada Atlantic*

Ald. O'Leary has begun the work of grading on the Canada Atlantic Railway. He has quite a number of men employes and intends pushing on his contract as fast as possible.

12/05/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Maniwaki*

Article on the progress of the survey. Good description of life in camp.

19/05/1882 *Renfrew Mercury* *Chalk River* *Pembroke*

The railway company intend to straighten the track on the east end of the railway bridge at Pembroke. This will necessitate the removal of the present station and wood shed. The change will be made about the end of this month.

19/05/1882 *Renfrew Mercury* *Chalk River* *Arnprior*

The C.P.R. is putting in another siding at the Arnprior station. The business of the road has been largely increased of late, and new sidings have been added to nearly all stations on the line. Arnprior Chronicle.

22/05/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Maniwaki*

The engineers are still camped on the Stagg Creek Road, on Mr. Field's property.--
Work on the line will commence next week, chopping, clearing etc., ready for grading. Meantime the location of the line is being vigorously pushed towards Hull, via the Peche and will, it is hoped, be finished by the first week of June.

22/05/1882 Brockville Recorder Brockville

We have, in our short and uneventful career, heard of runaway girls, runaway horses, runaway matches and even runaway engines, but it remained for our maturer years to hear of a runaway railway car. Such a curiosity came to light on Saturday, and ??respects resulted more serious ly than the majority of runaways. During the afternoon there lay, among other cars, on the track of the Canadian Pacific Railway, above the junction, a box car loaded with black oil. It was couled, but was detached while shunting. While a brakeman named Law was on the car the brake, by some means, became broken or loose and the ? commenced. The grade is considerable at the point of starting and in a few moments the fully laden fugitive was under full headway. The line was open, the brake refused to work, and Law in a few moments found himself going through the inky blackness of the tunnel at a 20 mile an hour gait. There did not seem to be any way stations and Law had no chance to stop for orders. Daylight very soon appeared again and as the car emerged from the darkness the true nature f his peril was revealed. The main ine was cnnected with the track leading to the "Armstrong" ? and on this track the pilot engine, with engineer O'Brien on board was standing. As soon as he saw the situation and realised that a collision was inevitable ? jumped? and the car ? into the pilot. A shower of splinters and a crash that rattled the windows of the station building ? an inspection which revealed no broken bones but the car was seen to be in bad shape. The whole end was ? in and the oil was pouring in black ? through crevices of the deck into the river. Law received no serious injury, and O'Brien who stood at his post, like a "brick" also escaped unhurt. Had the engine not been on the track the probability is that the cabin would have been torn out of the "Armstrong" and the whole cargo dumped in the river.

23/05/1882 Ottawa Citizen Canada Atlantic Rideau Canal Drawbridge

Work on the railway bridge over the canal is progressing well and the contractors will easily have the structure completed in accordance with their agreement.

25/05/1882 Ottawa Citizen Canada Atlantic Rideau Canal drawbridge

The work on the railway bridge over the canal has progressed so far that the piers are now almost completed, and preparations for the rest of the work are going on rapidly. The material for its completion is almost entirely on the ground.

31/05/1882 Ottawa Citizen Canada Atlantic

The annual general meeting of the CAR was held today. Mr. H. McGillivray, president, read the report:

Your directors beg leave to report that since the last annual meeting a very satisfactory progress has been made in constructing the railway from Coteau to the city of Ottawa; the line from Coteau to the High Falls on the Nation River having been completed in the month of December last, and in the month of January two trains each way per day commenced running between Coteau and Nation River. The receipts from passengers and freight exceeded your directors' expectations and the receipts for this portion causes us to look hopefully for the future earnings of the road when completed.

Your directors have also to state that the road is now open to South Indian, a distance of 56 miles from Coteau and 24 miles from Ottawa. Some delays have been caused by owners of lands along the line in getting the right of way, and it is to be hoped that very little more delay will take place from this cause, as the whole line from South Indian to Ottawa is in a fair way of being completed at a very early date. The two principal bridges over the Rideau River and the Rideau canal are making very fair progress so that no delay may be anticipated on their account. Some delay has lately been caused by the want of labourers, but since the arrival of immigrants this want has been satisfied.

Your directors have also to state that the line has been located through the city of Ottawa to its final terminus at the Chaudiere, and every effort has been made with a view to opening the road to Ottawa on the first of August next. Your directors have also to state that preparations are now being made to commence active operation on the eastern portion of the line from Coteau to the province line including the crossing of the St. Lawrence at Coteau.

Your directors are now I negotiation with the Postmaster General with a view to obtaining a contract for carrying the mail from South Indian to Coteau, which is much desired by people along the line, we hope in a short time to be able to report the completion of the contract.

In conclusion your directors have to report the passing of a by law limiting the number of directors to seven, to be annually elected by shareholders, this number being deemed sufficient for the management of the affairs of the company.

Directors for the following year were:

E. McGillivray, McLeod Stewart, G.B. Pattee, Geo. H. Perley, Ottawa; E.C. Smith, St. Albans; Duncan A. McDonald, Lochiel; Alex A. Stewart, Kenyon; Job Rinkin, Montreal; Guy C. Noble, St. Albans.

01/06/1882 Ottawa Citizen Canada Atlantic Archville

Archville 31st. Work on the Canada Atlantic Railway is progressing steadily. The stone piers of the bridge across the canal are now finished and present a very firm appearance, being pronounced of an excellent job of masonry, reflecting great credit on the contractors and the men by whom the work was done. Messrs. Stars and Fitzgerald are pushing forward the work on the cutting at a rapid rate and expect to get through in good time. Work on the culvert in the hollow has been commenced and will be pushed rapidly forward. The masonry of the Rideau bridge is now fairly under way, large quantities of stone and materials is now on the ground and will be added to the structure as rapidly as possible. The activity of the works and the large number of men employed give to the place a very different tone from the air of undisturbed quiet which was hitherto enjoyed in this pretty little suburb.

03/06/1882 Ottawa Citizen Midland Perth

Ground was broken for the Midland Railway at Perth on Tuesday last on the Thornton property. Work on the line will be light for some time.

03/06/1882 Ottawa Citizen Lachute

Montreal 2nd. The Canada Pacific Railway directors will take over the western section of the Occidental Railway tomorrow, all arrangements having been perfected. The eastern section will not be transferred for some time longer.

05/06/1882 Ottawa Citizen Maniwaki Hull

The first sod of the Gatineau Valley Railway will be turned on Thursday the 15th of the present month at Hull.

On Thursday of next week, the 15th, the formal commencement of the construction of the Ottawa and Gatineau Railway and branches will be commenced in Hull by the turning of the first sod. The Hon. Mr. Chapleau, premier of the Province of Quebec has acceded to the request of the Board of Directors and will perform the ceremony. The occasion is expected to be an interesting one. The work will afterwards be prosecuted with vigour.

06/06/1882 Ottawa Free Press St. Lawrence and Ottawa Prescott

Twenty new and powerful locomotives, built by Dubbs & Co, of Glasgow, have been imported recently by the C.P.R. The locomotives were put together at Prescott, being shipped in pieces to this country. Ten other locomotives will shortly arrive from the same place for the same road.

09/06/1882 Renfrew Mercury Belleville Perth

The Courier says Between ? And seventy men are now employed in the construction of the Canada Pacific car shops at Perth. Rapid progress is being made and new machinery is arriving (?constantly).

13/06/1882 Ottawa Citizen Canada Atlantic Archville

Daniel Dyer, the man who was injured on the construction cars of the Canada Atlantic Railway, is now so far recovered from his injuries as to be able to go to work again.

The people of the village are now wondering whether or not the goodness of the railway authorities will afford them a footbridge in connection with the railway bridge over the canal. Such would be of great benefit to them and would shorten the distance from the village to the city. They should look to this matter at once.

15/06/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Maniwaki*

The public would do well to visit the establishment of Mr. Goyer where the silver spade which is to be used by the Hon. J.A. Chapleau today is on exhibition. As a piece of extraordinary work it is undoubtedly one of the best ever turned out either in Ottawa or elsewhere, and reflects the highest credit upon Mr. Goyer who personally has manufactured it. The spade is three quarters full size of an ordinary workingman's spade, the proportions having been kept with great fidelity, and, although ornamental, is fit for ordinary work in the garden in the hands of a lady. The handle is of black walnut, highly hand polished, and the blade and tongue of silver, and as before stated is a face simile of an ordinary spade, so far as proportions and strength go. On the blade is the following inscription:-

The O. and G.V. Railway
Presented to the Hon. J.A. Chapleau,
Premier of Quebec
on the occasion of the turning the
first sod of the
Ottawa and Gatineau Valley Railway
June 15th 1882
God Save the Queen

The inscription is the work of Mr. Cox, Ottawa's leading engraver, and is a marvel of excellence. The spade will be on view after the ceremonies for one or two weeks, by permission of Mr. Chapleau, as a tribute to Mr. Goyer, who turned out this excellent piece of workmanship. Also covered in Ottawa Free Press, same date. - about a quarter of a mile off the Aylmer road, near the toll gate.

15/06/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Maniwaki*

Today at Hull at 1.30 p.m.

The public, both of Ottawa City, Hull and the County of Ottawa, will be present in large numbers and everything has been arranged to make it a pleasant holiday, and the proceedings will be doubtless highly interesting as they are important to this section of the county and the Valley of the Gatineau in particular.

15/06/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Canada Atlantic* *Archville*

A boy named Harris employed in driving a horse on the Canada Atlantic Railway met with a painful accident on Monday. It appears he was, by some means, drawn under one of the construction cars while in motion, which passed over his foot crushing and bruising it badly. He was at once taken to his home and a doctor called in, who pronounced the injury to be of a very painful but? not serious nature.

16/06/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Maniwaki* *Hull*

First sod turned by Mr. Alonzo Wright M.P.

Mr. Chapleau unavoidably absent.

Proceedings interrupted by a rain and thunder storm

The formal inauguration of the work of construction of the Ottawa and Gatineau Valley Railway took place yesterday at Hull, where the first sod was turned by Mr. Alonzo Wright M.P. The ceremony was to have been performed by the Hon. J.A. Chapleau, Premier of Quebec, but at the last minute he found it impossible to attend as he had to represent the province in the transfer of the QMO&O road to the Canadian Pacific Railway Company.

The site selected for the ceremony was a grove on Mrs. Scott's land to the east of the Aylmer Road whence the line from Old Chelsea will run in one direction towards the bridge and in another into the Hull depot. The preparations have been most complete. On an elevation was an enclosed space for the speakers and distinguished guests, and sodded steps lead thence down to the roadbed, which was covered with grass turf. Here the wheelbarrow waited the action of the amateur navigator, the silver spade, a description of which appeared in yesterday's Citizen, being placed on a table in the enclosure. nearby a large marquee had been erected to afford shelter from the heat of the sun's rays, though its usefulness was tested, as it turned out, in defence against a pluvial instead of a solar assault. About 1,500 invitations had been issued and a very large number of the representative men of the County of Ottawa and the cities of Ottawa and Hull were present besides a bevy of ladies in holiday attire. Everything looked promising; a pleasant day was expected and the ceremonies were to be full of interest, but alas, either Mr. Vennor had a grudge against the Gatineau Valley which he knows so well or Macbeth's witches had arranged to assemble on the same ground, for the meeting took place in thunder and lightning and rain. If it was the witches their action is open to objection because they clearly gave notice that their demonstration would be "when hurly-burly's done, when the battle's lost and won" and that cannot be until after the polling next Tuesday. To whomsoever the storm was due the storm was really terrific. After a brief shower the sky brightened, the sun shone out and the proceedings commenced, but no sooner had Mr. Currier, who presided as president of the company commenced to speak than the rain commenced to descend in torrents and the inauguration was illuminated by lightning and welcomed with a salvo of heaven's artillery. The speakers courageously braved the tempest and addressed those who being unable to gain access to the crowded tent, were obliged to content themselves with the partial shelter of umbrellas. Music was furnished at intervals by the Hull band. Mr. Currier's speech.

Mr. Murray Mitchell's speech

Mr. Alonzo Wright came forward and was received with cheers and shouts of "Hurray for the King of the Gatineau" Speech

Mr. Mackintosh, who was warmly received, said that as the directors were concerned they were not sending their friends away dry (laughter)

Hon. Mr. Skead

The silver spade was then presented to Mr. Alonzo Wright who accepted the same and performed the ceremony of turning the first sod amidst enthusiastic cheers. After several cries for Mr. Tasse, who no doubt, owing to the heavy downpour, did not respond, Mr. Alonzo Wright mounted the platform and thanked the audience for their attendance and attention to the speakers calling upon three cheers for the Ottawa and Gatineau Valley Railway, which were heartily given. Three cheers were again given "for the Grand Old County of Ottawa", the proceedings coming to a close with three cheers for the King of the Gatineau and the Queen of England.

23/06/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Maniwaki*

A meeting of the directors of the Ottawa and Gatineau Valley Railway Company was held today at their office for the transaction of important business connected with the road.

Also the action of Mr. Murray Mitchell, the managing director and chief engineer, in dismissing W.E. Soar, late assistant, for alleged misconduct and dishonesty, was endorsed, and the board fully agreed with the policy adopted to appoint a committee of engineers to investigate the accounts of Mr. W.E. Soar, as well as to report upon the field work he was engaged to superintend and has failed to perform.

24/06/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Aylmer branch* *Aylmer*

The Aylmer branch of the QMO&O Railway was visited last Wednesday by the directors of the Canadian Pacific Railway for the purpose of taking stock. Also carried in the Ottawa Free Press on 23 June, identical wording.

26/06/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Chalk River* *Sand Point*

Sand Point. William O'Connor, working at the ballast pit at this station was accidentally run over by a ballast train this afternoon and only lived about thirty minutes after the accident. It seems that during the dinner hour this train was lying in a pit siding and the deceased laid down under one of the cars and fell asleep.

26/06/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Belleville* *Perth*

The new railway buildings at Perth are protected from fire as perfectly as the best of apparatus can do it. There are double hydrants at the ends of each building and others within. A few days ago a test was made before the town council and others by Mr. Buchanan of Montreal, four powerful streams being in action. The motive power for the car shops in Perth is now supplied by the regular engine which has been put in its place. Materials and machinery arrive daily, and in fact the shops look like a hive of industry although no cars are manufactured yet.

27/06/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *St. Lawrence and Ottawa* *Prescott*

Another consignment of new locomotives for the C.P.R. have arrived from Scotland, and will (be) put together at the workshops as soon as possible.

28/06/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Ottawa and Prescott*

It may be remembered by many when twenty-six years ago the inhabitants of old Bytown were aroused one morning by the steam whistle of the Bytown & Prescott Railway at Cunningham's station at Gloucester, there was great rejoicing at the near approach of the time when the road would be completed to Bytown. Goes on to deplore the mean action of the city council in relation to the grant to the C.A.R.

28/06/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Canada Atlantic*

Construction of the road is progressing satisfactorily.. Yesterday a train came within half a mile of Eastman's Springs station.. The track is being laid at the rate of half a mile per day, and the construction train will probably be at the station today. The iron for the bridge over the Rideau River is arriving by the St. Lawrence & Ottawa Railway.

28/06/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Ottawa City Passenger*

One more for the rails.

The street car rails were the cause of the axle of a slab vendor's cart being broken near the Suspension Bridge yesterday.

29/06/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *St. Lawrence and Ottawa* *Sussex Street*

Yesterday the passenger train in connection with the Royal Mail steamers at Prescott started to run from the Lower Town depot for the first time. It leaves Ottawa at 7 a.m.

29/06/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Chaudiere* *Chaudiere*

CAR call for tenders for clearing, grubbing, grading and masonry of the Chaudiere division, almost three miles. No more than one mile will be let in any one contract.

29/06/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Pontiac & Pacific Junction*

The contract for building the road from Aylmer to Pembroke was let yesterday by the Pontiac Railway Company.

29/06/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Tramway* *Bronson & Weston*

Mr. D. Ring, in the employ of Messrs. Bronson & Weston, superintended the erection of a large tramway on the piling ground connected within the mill. It was a big undertaking, and its successful completion reflects great credit on the superintendent.

30/06/1882 *Renfrew Mercury* *Kingston (CP)* *Renfrew*

Article - Where shall the junction be?

30/06/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Chalk River*

Out of consideration for the wants of the public the Canadian Pacific Railway have put a mixed train on that portion of their line between Carleton Place and Pembroke. The new arrangement is a great boon to the travelling community.

30/06/1882 *Renfrew Mercury* *Belleville* *Perth*

The Perth Courier says - the motive power for the car-shops is now supplied by the regular engine, which is now in its place. The flywheel and main pulley connected with it weight over six tons. A vast number of car wheels have arrived, and additional machinery for the works has also been received. In fact machinery and material are reaching almost daily. The dry-kiln is almost finished and will be the most conspicuous object about the buildings on account of the wide steam chimney for carrying off the exhaust steam, sixty-five feet high. This chimney will be the full width of the building at the beginning, and narrows by steps to half that at the top. The shops now look like a hive of industry, though no cars are manufactured yet.

01/07/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Canada Atlantic*

The construction of the Canada Atlantic Railway is proceeding satisfactorily. Last Tuesday a train came within half a mile of Eastman Springs station. The track is being laid at the rate of half a mile a day. The iron for the bridge over the Rideau River has arrived by the St. Lawrence and Ottawa Railway.

03/07/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Canada Atlantic*

The heavy rain of Saturday had the effect of stopping work on the sections of the Canada Atlantic Railway near this city, contracted for by Messrs. Mansfield, O'Leary & Starr. It is likely that, owing to the mud caused by the rain, work will not be resumed before tomorrow.

04/07/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Canada Atlantic*

Owing to the recent rainfall work on the Canada Atlantic Railway in the vicinity of the city has been suspended for a few days.

07/07/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Canada Atlantic*

Account of a construction accident on Starrs contract in which a temporary trestle, which was being filled in, collapsed.--

Mr. Starr has at present about fifty men employes on his section of the Canada Atlantic Railway, near the head of Deep Cut, It is expected that he will finish his section in about a month.

07/07/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *St. Lawrence and Ottawa* *Prescott*

Ten new Scotch locomotives recently arrived are being put together at the C.P.R. workshops in Prescott. They will be put on the new section lying between Fort William, Thunder Bay and Winnipeg.

10/07/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Canada Atlantic* *Archville*

Work on the Canada Atlantic Railway is being rapidly pushed forward. Grading and cutting operations between the bridges over the Rideau River and the Rideau Canal are just approaching completion. The trestle work on both bridges is being pushed rapidly forward and they now begin to assume the appearance of finished structures. Large numbers of men are employed, and it is expected that in a short time the sound of the iron horse will be heard in the village.

12/07/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Canada Atlantic*

The construction of the Canada Atlantic Railway from Coteau Landing on Lake St. Francis to connect with the Grand trunk Railway at Coteau and thence to Ottawa was commenced early in April 1881, by the contractor Mr. D. C. Linsley of Burlington, Vermont. Since that date the great work of construction, grading, bridge building etc. has gone on apace.

During this very brief period for the carrying out of such an enterprise, rapid has been made and today the work is well nigh completed, the track being finished some four miles of Hawthorne, or about 10 miles from the city limits. Up to this point the road is in perfect shape. The contractor has introduced a system of track laying for the first time adopted in this country - the ties being permanently packed outside the rails and the track being thoroughly lined up; so that before the first lift of ballast was put on the road bed he had his roadway in condition to run express trains, indeed the construction train at many times ran at a speed --ing thirty miles an hour. ?? completed the work along the line is of the highest order, wire fencing stone culverts, cattle guards. The grades are easy, the steepest of which is less than 35 feet per mile - and that only for a short distance - while the sharpest curve is only about 2 degrees. The masonry is of neat design and presents a striking appearance from its massiveness and stability. The road has been opened for passenger and freight traffic as far as South Indian and two mixed trains run daily each way. This week traffic will be extended to Eastman's Springs, but the location of the depot there has not yet been decided upon, there being some difficulty in procuring the ground for a suitable site. The various depots along the line are very handsome and convenient structures, adapted in every way to suit the wants of a travelling public. The work of construction from the end of track to the Rideau River - section 70 - which is being performed by Mr. John O'Leary, is being rapidly pushed forward and will be completed on Saturday next. Mr. O'Leary has also the contract for the mason work on the Rideau River and Rideau Canal bridges, the former being completed and the lateral be finished in the course of eight days. The iron work of both bridges is being put up by the Toronto Bridge Company, the one across the river being an iron truss bridge, and the one across the canal an iron swing bridge. The workmanship of both reflects great credit on the company. Work on section 80, (from the Rideau River to the Rideau Canal) is being diligently prosecuted by the contractors Messrs. Fitzgerald and Starrs will be brought to completion in about ten days. it is expected that on or about the first day of August the first locomotive will steam into the city, and the road thrown open to the public for freight and passenger traffic. The line is being laid throughout by steel rails, and when the last spike has been driven it can be truly be said that the country can boast of having one of the best constructed lines, as it will undoubtedly be one of the best paying in the entire Dominion. it is only but justice to mention the untiring energies of Mr. Linsley, the contractor, who upon all occasions worked indefatigably and zealously for the good of the enterprise. His professional ability as a civil engineer, his practical knowledge of railway building, and his extraordinary perseverance, one of his chief characteristics, have eminently fitted him in bringing the completion of this much needed railway to a successful issue.

Whether the station for Ottawa will be located in the city or outside the boundary is a question which, if the company have already decided themselves, they have not made it known, and it is readily averred that the matter is still receiving the consideration of the board of directors, and as yet no definite decision has been arrived at. This is of course entirely due to the action of the Corporation in refusing to grant the railway the proposed bonus. Again, regarding the Chaudiere Branch, a difficulty arose through many residents and other parties interested taking objection to the route surveyed for many alleged reasons and endeavouring to show a more feasible and practicable scheme. To this latter course the heads of the railway refused to agree and accordingly it is mere conjecture to say what conclusions may have been arrived at in this direction. However, it is not at all likely, once the line is under operation to the city limits that there will be any serious barrier in the way of arriving at a satisfactory arrangement as to the best possible procurable sites for a passenger depot somewhere in the vicinity of Elgin Street or, on the other hand as the entrance to, or situation of the lumber depot at the Chaudiere.

13/07/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *St. Lawrence and Ottawa*

Mr. Calum Davis, who has resigned his position on the St. L. & O. Railway, is now engaged on the Canada Pacific as locomotive superintendent.

14/07/1882 *Renfrew Mercury* *Kingston (CP)* *Renfrew*

Account of ratepayers meeting - majority in favour of rendering assistance.

15/07/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Canada Atlantic*

Some fifteen cars loaded with iron work for the Atlantic Railway bridge to be built across the canal have already arrived by the St. L. & O. R. About three cars more, it is expected, will complete the contract.

17/07/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Pontiac & Pacific Junction* *Aylmer*

Work commenced on the Pontiac Pacific Junction Railway last Thursday. One hundred and fifty more men will be engaged next Tuesday The contractor has to complete his contract to the Quio by the fall.

19/07/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Canada Atlantic*

Mr. Expects to complete his contract in about three weeks.

20/07/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Canada Atlantic* *Hurdman*

The work of taking the track of the Canada Atlantic Railway over that of the St. Lawrence & Ottawa Railway was yesterday completed under the superintendence of Mr. S.S. Churchill.

20/07/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Canada Atlantic*

Mr. W. Palen has completed the trestle approaches to the C.A.R. bridge over the canal.

21/07/1882 *Renfrew Mercury* *Kingston (CP)* *Renfrew*

The reeve has received an answer to his last communication, relating to the recent meeting in the Township Hall, from the President of the K. & P.R. Mr. Gildersleeve says the offer of a bonus of only \$3,000 was a disappointment; and he submitted instead a proposition - for exemption from taxation for twenty years and a bonus of \$3,000 payable on completion of the line into Renfrew; and \$5,000 when the assessment shall have reached \$30,000 over its present amount: or one payment of \$6,000 on completion of the line to Renfrew. The exemption and the bonus by law to be confirmed by the Legislature; but the expenses attendant thereon to be borne by the company. There is a serious difference of opinion as to the advisability of coming into Renfrew at all; but if the present proposal be accepted the junction will be definitely settled at Renfrew, and might possibly be finished in fifteen months. More.

24/07/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Pontiac & Pacific Junction*

Work has commenced on the Pontiac & Pacific Railway. It is expected that the road will be laid to Quio by December 1.

26/07/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Canada Atlantic*

Ald. O'Leary has finished work on his contract on the Canada Atlantic Railway. It is more than probable that the first train run into the city will pass over the road today.

27/07/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Canada Atlantic*

A large number of men are now employed in erecting the fences which are of barbed wire with cedar posts along the line of this railway.

27/07/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Canada Atlantic* *Rideau River bridge*

The first train over the new C.A. Railway bridge, constructed over the Rideau River, near Cassidy's hotel, shunted over the bridge on Tuesday. The structure stood the test well.

28/07/1882 Ottawa Citizen Brockville

The half past eleven freight train on the Brockville branch, when one mile south of Smiths Falls, collided with a special locomotive and tender coming from Brockville. Engineer Burns was killed. Some ten freight cars were damaged as well as both locomotives. A special carrying Sir John Macdonald arrived shortly after the collision, but returned to Ottawa after an hour's delay. More.

28/07/1882 Ottawa Free Press Canada Atlantic

Mr. Pierce Mansfield's contract on the Canada Atlantic Railway was finished on Wednesday last. The work was commenced on the 8th of May--

28/07/1882 Ottawa Citizen Maniwaki

Yesterday the representatives of the company purchased in New York seven hundred and fifty tons of steel rails on English account, and these will be speedily transported to Canada so that in short time the work of laying the rails may be begun.

29/07/1882 Brockville Recorder Brockville

Only having a few minutes in which to give notice of the disaster on the C.P.R. yesterday before going to press, our report was gained hurriedly and was therefore quite inaccurate. It was nearly six o'clock this morning before anyone reached the scene of the accident, and not until that hour could accurate be obtained concerning the affair.

It now seems that Burns collided with the freight train, and not the express as stated yesterday, and he was running a single engine out at the time. He left here about 11 o'clock with a special engine carrying a white flag cleared for Carleton Place. He stopped at Irish Creek, and was there, it is said, given a clearance for Smiths Falls. About 1½ miles this side of Smiths Falls, while rounding a bad curve, he met freight train No. 39 with 21 loaded flat cars, and though the special was running comparatively easy at the time, the smash which followed is described as terrific. The whole cylinder of the special was torn from its platform and both engines left the track. They met just over a culvert at the crossing and as the engines fell into the hole the loaded cars piled one above the other into the wreck. Of the whole train of 21 cars, 16 were smashed, 12 being so completely ruined that they will likely be burned beside the track today. They included rolling stock of the C.P.R., New York Central, Grand Trunk and Utica and Black River Railways. Both engines were also torn to pieces, the headlights being compressed together into a space only a few inches in thickness.

The first thing to do after the accident happened was to look for casualties, and search was at once made for the missing. All hands turned up except Engineer Burns, and in three or four minutes the poor fellow was found beneath the ruins of his engine, still alive, but so horribly burned and crushed as to leave no doubt as to his having met his death blow. When the engines came together he had been thrown against the boiler head and there held while the whole contents of the heated boiler poured from the broken gauge glass directly over his body, liberally parboiling him from the waist up. He was taken out and conveyed to a farm house where he lingered in great agony for about 9½ hours, when death ended his sufferings.

Joe Burke, the fireman of the special, jumped when he saw the freight ahead and escaped almost miraculously. He says that as soon as the freight was sighted he told Burns of his intention to jump. Burns said nothing but at once applied the brake to the tender and seemed ready to jump as well. Just before Burke took the ? he saw Burns give the brake lever another turn as if to still further check the speed and then all was drowned in the crash. Horbridge, of Ottawa, the driver of the freight, stuck to his post and was unhurt. His fireman, young Kelly, jumped and only received a few scratches. The brakeman, George Cavanagh, of Smiths Falls, also jumped and was bruised about the head and shoulders. Kelly, the conductor, also escaped injury.

Of course, to everyone, it is apparent that someone had blundered, but just upon (rest illegible).

31/07/1882 Ottawa Citizen Pontiac & Pacific Junction

Owing to the location posts of the former railway having been removed the engineers of the Pontiac Railway could not make as much progress last week as was expected. It may seem somewhat strange but out of all the surveys that have been made heretofore not a note plan or post can be found. The delay, therefore, cannot be wondered at, considering the disadvantages to be contended with. The survey party has reached Hurdman's farm in Eardley township. It will take about two months to complete the survey - as Mr. Shanly says. The people of the Pontiac are somewhat disappointed at the interruptions which occur, but trust for all that they are going to get their railway.

31/07/1882 Ottawa Citizen Brockville

Citizen July 31, 1882. A careful investigation into the accident leaves no doubt that the affair was the fault of the unfortunate engineer Burns, the only person who fatally suffered as a result of the accident.

Mr. Burns, the engineer, was at the time of the accident, returning from Brockville with his engine having gone to that place with a special. He had special instructions to keep the train under his charge clear of all trains and obeyed these orders until he left Irish Creek, about seven miles from Smiths Falls. Here he totally disregarded what had been told him, and instead of waiting there for the regular freight from Carleton Place then almost due, should pass him he pushed on at a high rate of speed in the expectation of reaching the next station before it had left.

More.

01/08/1882 Ottawa Citizen Canada Atlantic Rideau Canal

Grading is commenced on the first mile of the Canada Atlantic Railway on the Ottawa side of the Rideau Canal by the contractors Messrs. Macdonald and Brown. This part of the road terminates at the property of Mr. McLeod Stewart.

03/08/1882 Ottawa Free Press Belleville Perth

On Monday last "Capt" Finnessy took a gang of forty two men to work on Mr. Beemer's railway contract at Perth and today took out another gang of forty-three.

03/08/1882 Ottawa Citizen Canada Atlantic Rideau River

Yesterday afternoon a CITIZEN reporter took a walk out to the Canada Atlantic Railway Company's bridge over the canal where he was fortunate to find Mr. Linsley the contractor, who kindly gave him an invitation to accompany him on a tour of inspection over a portion of the road. Having finished taking a look at the bridge which spans the Rideau River, a very fine structure, the engine "Georgia" under the control of the genial driver Joe West who claims the honour of being the first over the bridge, was uncoupled from a construction train and started on a good run east. This road is very finely ballasted to within about one and a half miles from the city and work is being pushed on rapidly by a large gang of men. The rails are of the best class of steel from the Ebervale (should be Ebbw Vale) Works in Wales and the nut lock adopted by the road is Atwoods Patent Lock Nut which Mr. Linsley has had manufactured by Taylor of Montreal. The device is the most simple and effective in existence. The swing bridge across the canal is finished and the road graded to Elgin Street so that before many days the residents of Ottawa will be able to reach Montreal in three hours and a half or less. If Mr. Linsley's staff are all as courteous as their chief, the travelling public will have no reason to complain.

04/08/1882 Ottawa Free Press Canada Atlantic

Report to Board of Directors.

-- the road is constructed and ballasted to within one half mile of the Rideau river and the bridges over the Rideau river and Rideau canal will be fully completed within three or four days. The road is now graded to the line of Elgin street in this city and the ties will be laid on this portion at once, and the ballasting of the whole line to Ottawa will be completed next week. --

04/08/1882 Ottawa Free Press Pontiac & Pacific Junction

Great progress is being made on the Pontiac and Pacific Junction Railway. About 150 men are now employed and the contractors expect to have 300 employed by the end of the present month. It is expected to have the road completed as far as Quyon by the 1st of December next. The engineers are also making great progress with their work. Aylmer Times.

04/08/1882 Renfrew Mercury Kingston (CP) Renfrew

Account of a further meeting of the ratepayers - Ratepayers in favour of granting further aid.

04/08/1882 Quebec Daily Telegraph Canada Atlantic Ottawa, Elgin Street

The swing bridge over the Canada Atlantic Railway is completed and the first train has passed over it. Passenger trains will be passing over it in the course of a few days

09/08/1882 Ottawa Citizen Pontiac & Pacific Junction

Pontiac Railway. The engineers are busy at work and making rapid progress with the survey on this railway. If everything goes right it is expected they will have the road completed as far as Quio where it will enter Pontiac county by the beginning of December. In the meantime they have 150 men employed in the work of construction and by the end of the present month that number will be doubled.

09/08/1882 Ottawa Citizen Belleville Perth

Work on the Ontario and Quebec Railway is being rapidly prosecuted. On the Perth section two hundred men are at work. A batch of immigrants also arrived last week. Rock men get \$1.50 per day and shovellers get \$1.40.

11/08/1882 Renfrew Mercury Kingston (CP) Renfrew

By-lay No. 240 to aid and assist the Kingston and Pembroke Railway by granting a bonus thereto of \$3,000 dollars. Full wording.

14/08/1882 Ottawa Citizen Chalk River

Trains are now running as far as Callendar on the CPR for conveying passengers. The telegraph has been constructed to that point to operate the road.

16/08/1882 Ottawa Free Press Canada Atlantic

Mr. MacMac foreman of section of the C.A. Railway now building outside the city, had a dispute with Mr. Lambton, resident engineer yesterday. The result was that some thirty-four men, constituting the gang under Mr. MacMac's direction, immediately quit working. It is said the dispute was over wages.

16/08/1882 Ottawa Citizen Ottawa City Passenger

The first car in the morning leaves New Edinburgh at 7.10 and the last car at night leaves the Chaudiere at 10 o'clock. These cars connect with the departure and arrival of the Montreal trains.

17/08/1882 Pontiac News Chalk River Sand Point

The railway authorities have opened a gravel pit at Sand Point and now have a considerable number of men at work therein. It makes quite a stir in this little village.

17/08/1882 Ottawa Free Press Pontiac & Pacific Junction

The work of locating and grading this road is now going on and over 200 men are employed. The cutting at Hurdman's is progressing favorably. Before the end of the month, an engine will be put on. The contractors are now preparing the road from the Aylmer station, and will lay the ties next week. Mr. Perreault, the contractor, has sub-let ten miles of the road between Mr. James Brady's farm and the Quyon in two sections of five miles each. Mr. Lapierre has the contract of five miles commencing at Brady's and Mr. Reid, also of Montreal, to commence where Mr. Lapierre ends. Both the above gentlemen are old railroad men and we have no doubt but that their work will compare favorably with the rest of the line. A staff of engineers started at the Quyon on Friday last in charge of Mr. Burnel to work downwards and to meet the party under Mr. Shanly. The location of the line will be completed next week. Mr. Perreault's son starts about two miles this side of Quyon with a large gang of men next week; they will work downwards until such time as the engineers decide as to the exact location of crossing the Quyon River is finally decided. -- Aylmer Times. (also in the Renfrew Mercury August 25)

18/08/1882 Renfrew Mercury Belleville Perth

The Courier says - About nine o'clock on Saturday night another alarm of fire was sounded, and this time the danger proved to be at the car shops, to which speedily rushed half the town, and the two hand engines. The works have their own appliances for putting out fires, consisting of a pump connected with the engine, numerous hydrants and plenty of hose; and in a short time the spot was fairly deluged with water and the fire extinguished. The blaze was at the far end of the long building, and made no headway before it was flooded out. Some supposed the fire was caused by the spontaneous combustion of some cotton waste and oil at that end of the building, but the manager says there is no oil on the waste, and this could not have been the cause. Suspicions in another direction are entertained.

21/08/1882 Ottawa Citizen Belleville Perth

The Pembroke Observer says:- in about ten days the work of grading on both the Ontario and Quebec and Midland Railways will be completed for about thirteen miles west of Perth with the exception of the road crossings, culverts and bridges over the creek at Mr. Rathwell's farm, about a mile from the town. On the next ten miles a good deal of work has been done but the country is much more difficult. The Ontario and Quebec company have not fully settled the crossing at Sharbot Lake. The present survey crosses on five islands by a fill which in one place will be in water fifty-five feet in depth. the Kingston and Pembroke crossing which is of the same nature could be used, but at a heavy rental. All the contractors on the O&QRR between Sharbot Lake and Toronto are bound to complete the grading by the 1st of August 1883, and it is contemplated to have through trains running from Toronto to Ottawa running on the 1st of January 1884.

24/08/1882 Ottawa Citizen Canada Atlantic

Canada Atlantic Excursions. A number of applications have been sent in so as to secure an excursion on the Canada Atlantic Railway, which will be completed about the 15th of September. The Princess Louise Dragoon Guards being the applicants, as soon as matters are finally settled, will place the management of the excursion in the hands of our popular friend Mr. MacCuaig and we promise the public one of the finest excursions ever offered. The corps will be accompanied by the Guard's Band and the excursionists will have five or six hours to visit the city.

24/08/1882 Ottawa Citizen Kingston (CP)

The tenders for the extension of the Kingston and Pembroke Railway to a junction with the Canada Pacific at or near the village of Renfrew were, this morning, awarded to Messrs. Ardaugh, Bannerman & Co. Mr. Bannerman is a Renfrew gentleman while his partners are wealthy Rochester contractors who have executed large contracts in New York State and elsewhere in the neighboring Republic. Work will be commenced on the extension at once and pushed forward with all possible despatch and we may expect to have the whole line completed and trains running by October 1883

25/08/1882 Renfrew Mercury Kingston (CP) Renfrew

A telegram from Kingston under date of 22nd. Inst., says:- The contract for the construction of the Kingston and Pembroke railway to a junction with the Canada Pacific railway was this morning awarded to ? Bannerman & Co. (illegible) it is expected the whole line completed and trains running by October 1883.

25/08/1882 *Renfrew Mercury* *Belleville* *Perth*

It is thought a large engine, one or two large boilers that were first intended, and other large buildings will soon be required to work the carshops at Perth to the required capacity. Possibly more land may be required for a time. Courier.

26/08/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Canada Atlantic* *Carlsbad Springs*

At the Eastman's Springs station of the Canada Atlantic Railway a man whose name couldn't be ascertained, met with a fatal accident last night. Dr. Corbett, coroner, left at 4 o'clock this morning to hold an inquest.

02/09/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Ottawa City Passenger*

A farmer named Driscoll, who was driving a team of horses yesterday, accidentally broke an axle, while near the corner of Wellington and Bank streets. A street car which happened to be near, and was about to pass, had to be run off the track, while the breakdown was passed, when it was with some difficulty replaced on the track and continued its way.

02/09/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Pontiac & Pacific Junction*

Work on the Pontiac and Pacific Junction Railway still continues to be rapidly pushed forward. Upwards of 300 men are employed. Messrs. Lapierre and Reid subcontractors expect to complete their work in about two months. The wages now given is about \$1.50 per day.

05/09/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *St. Lawrence and Ottawa*

Traffic on St. L. & O. Railway between Chaudiere Junction and Chaudiere has been suspended until further notice. All freight will be forwarded from Sussex street station.

Archer Baker, General Superintendent.

07/09/1882 *Pontiac News* *Chalk River*

Lumberman's Train

Next week the Canadian Pacific will run a lumberman's train service, conveying lumbermen, employes, teams and supplies in the one train, making the distance to Mattawa Station from Ottawa in 12 hours. This will prove a very great accommodation and saving to the trade. Not many years ago the same distance took a couple of weeks.

07/09/1882 *Pontiac News* *Pontiac & Pacific Junction*

The contractors of the Pontiac Railway line are pushing their work on in a manner satisfactory to the Company. About 300 men are now employed. The subcontractors Messrs. Lapierre and Reid have now large forces on their works and expect to complete their contracts in about two months. The wages now given working men is \$1.40 per day.

08/09/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Ottawa City Passenger*

The Secretary of the City Passenger Railway Company is about to issue placards to be placed in all cars directing all drivers to walk their horses at all the principal points and corners in the city, and to look carefully to see if anyone is hailing the car. The usual prohibition to passengers against smoking and chewing tobacco is also made.

08/09/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Canada Atlantic* *wood*

This afternoon about 2 o'clock the first train of cars containing about 180 cords of fire wood reached the city by the Canada Atlantic. The train numbered eighteen cars and was loaded in the township of Cambridge. It is a mixed wood and is intended for the use of the company. As an instance of what will be done on this road in the future it may be stated that the men in charge commenced to load up at 8 o'clock this morning and discharged the load at Elgin street by three p.m. - in seven hours time. The road runs through an excellent and well wooded country, and even in this respect alone cannot fail to be of great service to our citizens the coming winter.

08/09/1882 *Renfrew Mercury* *Kingston (CP)* *Renfrew*

The Kingston and Pembroke R.R. \$3,000 bonus by law carried. Full account.

09/09/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Canada Atlantic* *Elgin Street water*

The city and the Canada Atlantic Railway may be congratulated on the progress which that last named corporation is making in the vicinity of Elgin Street. The company is now laying its sidings, erecting its water tanks, laying down a turntable for the use of locomotives, and putting up other works. The framework of the engine house is also in course of construction and will accommodate several engines. On their ground is now to be seen an immense pile of cordwood, about two hundred cords, which came in yesterday from the township of Cambridge by a train of eighteen cars. This shows in one out of many ways what good the Canada Atlantic Railway will be to the city of Ottawa, for the line runs through a fine district of woodlands sufficient to supply the city of Ottawa for many years to come. the firewood now lying at the station was at eight o'clock in the morning lying at the side of the track in Cambridge, and in the afternoon of the same day was unloaded on the west side of the Rideau Canal. In the construction of the Canada Atlantic road there is a prospect of cheaper fuel for the city for some time to come.

12/09/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Canada Atlantic*

The directorate and several prominent gentlemen connected with the Canada Atlantic Railway had a trip over their line yesterday by special train. The engine AND car were specially decorated for the occasion.

13/09/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Canada Atlantic* *Elgin Street water*

The work on the station grounds at Ottawa of the Canada Atlantic Railway Company is going on rapidly. The roundhouse to accommodate five locomotives, is fast nearing completion, work on the new depot is being pushed ahead, the water tank is being got on with all possible expedition and the frame work of the car shed is going up quickly. A large number of visitors were on the grounds yesterday, most of whom were pleasantly surprised at the progress made during the past two weeks.

14/09/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Canada Atlantic* *Roxboro*

The construction of the new Canada Atlantic Railway has been attended, as was almost natural to expect, by an accident which has resulted fatally. A short time ago the boiler of a steam shovel in operation near Roxborough exploded and three men connected with it were injured. Two of them escaped without serious accident, but the cranesman, named McKenly, was so badly scalded that little hopes were entertained of his recovery from the first.--

14/09/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Canada Atlantic*

The first train yesterday into the city, ran over and killed a bull near High Falls.

Mr. Starr's contract on the C.A.R. has been completed.

Hotel 'buses run regularly to the C.A.R. Station.

14/09/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Canada Atlantic*

The first regular express train on the C.A. Railway arrived in the city Tuesday evening about five o'clock from Coteau. There were a small number of passengers on board, who were met the station in Stewarton by the hotel buses and hacks. Mr. John Brown, formerly of the Vermont Central, is conductor on the passenger train; Ed. Chase, of the V.C., is the driver. Dan Brown is conductor on the accommodation train; and Herby Pangburn driver. The latter formerly ran a passenger train on the North Shore. William Graham, of this city, brought the first train over the road.

15/09/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Canada Atlantic*

Trains are now running regularly on the Canada Atlantic Railway.
The first train on the Canada Atlantic Railway killed a bull near High Falls.

15/09/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Pontiac & Pacific Junction* *Aylmer*

Aylmerites are moving in the matter of persuading the Pontiac and Pacific Junction R.R. to erect their workshops in that village. Pembroke has already made some advances to the company. A meeting of the Aylmer Council will be held shortly to take the matter into consideration.

16/09/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Pontiac & Pacific Junction*

Last Wednesday five carloads of rails arrived for the Pontiac Pacific Junction Railway which will be laid immediately. The recent accident to the railway bridge at Rose caused a considerable delay as they were at Montreal for the past two weeks and could not be forwarded until the wreck was repaired. Tracklaying will be prosecuted as rapidly as possible.

16/09/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Canada Atlantic*

Stewart & Fleck, proprietors of the Vulcan Iron Works repair the engines and machinery of the Canada Atlantic Railroad.

16/09/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Pontiac & Pacific Junction*

Railway building is progressing favorably in Eardley and Onslow. In Eardley six miles are now graded and ready for the ties and rails. In Onslow, the men are working across lots 17, 18, 19, 20, 4th range, cutting the bush down a breadth of 75 feet to get it ready for burning. Everything is cut three feet high from the ground so that when the brush is burnt off the stumps can be pulled out easily with a chain. Common laboring men are getting \$1.40 per day. Almost every man and boy that can be spared, and even some that cannot be spared, are leaving the harvest and going to the railway works. It is difficult getting harvest hands in Onslow owing to the men going off to the works.

23/09/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Belleville* *Perth*

The first hundred flat cars have been turned out in the C.P.R. car shops at Perth, and now work has begun on a number of cattle cars and vans.

25/09/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Canada Atlantic* *Elgin Street*

C.A.R. station grounds were visited by a large number yesterday.

28/09/1882 *Pontiac News* *Pontiac & Pacific Junction*

Laying the first rail.

The first rail of the Pontiac & Pacific Railway between Hull and Pembroke was laid last Friday afternoon, the first spike having been driven by the contractor, Mr. C.N. Armstrong. There was no formal ceremony in connection with the affair. The work is being pushed rapidly ahead, between six and seven miles of the road are already graded and a number of rock cuts are well advanced. There seems to be no doubt that the road will be completed as far as the river Quo before winter. There are between three and four thousand men employed and double that number would have been engaged had it been possible to obtain them, but the contractors are experiencing the greatest difficulty in obtaining labor, although they pay upwards of \$1.40 per day and their fare to the works. Still it is impossible to obtain a sufficient number of men. The line from Hull to Pembroke is claimed to be 25 miles shorter than via the Canadian Pacific Railway.

29/09/1882 *Renfrew Mercury* *Kingston (CP)*

Messrs. Albaugh Bannerman & Co. have about fifty men at work on the Calabogie end of the extension. They are advertising for 500 men. Word has reached here from Calabogie that the Reid's Mills route has been abandoned, and that the workmen are now on the eastern route.

29/09/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Canada Atlantic*

The Canada Atlantic Railway have issued preliminary invitations to an opening excursion over their line from Ottawa to Coteau on Saturday next. They have invited the member of the Dominion Government, the mayor and aldermen, leading citizens and the businessmen of the city. We believe the intention is to take them to Clarke's Island on the St. Lawrence, which the company have recently purchased (continuing 120 acres) and from there to Valleyfield.

30/09/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Canada Atlantic*

Special from our own Correspondent:

Eastman's Springs, September 30. - The preliminary opening of the Canada Atlantic Railway occurs today. Fully five hundred of the public men and merchants of Ottawa, together with the officers of the road, assembled at the Elgin street depot at eight o'clock this morning. The officers have made arrangements for a fully memorable time, and the weather is also very favorable. The train of eight coaches and baggage car drawn by the engine "Montreal," left the Ottawa station at 8:15. We are now at Eastman's Springs, a very fine place.

Coteau Junction, September 30. - The trip along the line has been very pleasant thus far. We reached this station at 11:15, where a stop of fifteen minutes was made. All along the line the highest praise has been given the road, the easy travelling, etc. Among those in the party were E. McGillivray, President of the Railway; R.H. Bronson, Director; W.G. Perley, Vice-President; R.B. Robbins, American Consul; Ald. Bobier; Robert Surtees, City Engineer; the Bishop of Ontario; W.A. Ross, County Judge; Ald. Wm. Cherry; Senator J. Skead; Dr. Grant; Hon. D.A. MacDonald; Mayor St. Jean; and Messrs. H. Robinson, Marriotte, D.S. Eastwood, James Cunningham, W.Y. Soper, Superintendent Mutual Telegraph Company; Thos. Ahearn, Chas. Magee, A.H. Taylor, C.S. Shaw, R. Blackburn, J.W. Hobbart, W.H. Fees, P. Baskerville, M.P., Capt. Scott M.P., Winnipeg, Collingwood Schreiber, Chief Engineer, C.P.R., A.J. Cambie, A. Percy Sherwood, Chief of Police, M.K. Dickenson, F. Clemow and others. We stop here fifteen minutes then go to the Landing two miles away.

30/09/1882 *Brockville Recorder* *Brockville* *Brockville*

A car containing the boats used by our oarsmen at Carleton place on Thursday was noticed this morning at the C.P.R. yard. After the men pay \$16.00, the cost of transportation to and from Carleton Place they will not have much prize money left. (Branchline).

Preliminary opening of the road from Ottawa to Coteau

A pleasant excursion

On Saturday last, through the courtesy of the management of the Canada Atlantic Railway a large number of leading residents of Ottawa were afforded an opportunity of inspecting the road as far as it is completed, and also viewing the site at which it is proposed to bridge the St. Lawrence at Coteau. The following was the invitation card;

INVITATION CARD

Preliminary opening of the
CANADA ATLANTIC RAILWAY

from Ottawa to Coteau

The pleasure of your company is requested at the opening excursion on Saturday 30th September 1882

Train will leave Elgin Street station at 8 a.m.

D.C. Linsley, Contractor

E. McGillivray, President

This card to be presented on entering the car.

THE START FROM OTTAWA was made sharp on time, and for a good half hour before, the station of the line at Stewarton was a scene of lively bustle.

Invitations had been extended to some 500 gentlemen and ample accommodation made for the transit of the whole party over the route. Business and other engagements prevented a goodly number of those to whom the courtesy of the company had been extended from participating in the trip but still a large party of the representative gentlemen of the city were present. Among

List of attendance included Thos. Ahearn, J.B. Abbott, W.G. Perley, Collingwood Schrieber, Thomas Ridout C.E., R.B. Bronson but not J.R. Booth.

THE DOWNWARD TRIP

was rapidly and pleasantly made. To almost all of the party the greater portion of the district to be traveled was new and there was general surprise at the excellence of the country, not only as regards its agricultural capacity, but as to the excellent condition of the farms and the general opinion was that the line would still further and greatly improve the district. Eastman's Springs, South Indian, Casselman and intervening stations were rapidly passed and

AT ALEXANDRIA

A number of other residents of that place were added to the party.

Lists them

THE CONSTRUCTION

of the road is of the very best. Although not yet completely ballasted, rapid time was made and on some sections of the trip over forty miles an hour was averaged. This was notably the case between Coteau Landing and Alexandria where a distance of twenty-three miles was made in thirty-six minutes. For easy travelling the road has no superior. As it is not yet fully equipped with rolling stock of its own, the cars in use on Saturday were not of the latest style but there was no perceptible jolting a fact all the more remarkable as a great portion of the line is not yet fully ballasted. The bridges, culverts and other works along the line are all of the very best and most substantial nature and the promoters have had an easy line to run as regards cutting and grading and they have spared no expense in putting in substantial work where it was wanted. At one section of line there is one stretch of over twenty miles over a country that looks like one big field and in which there is not a curve of any kind. The track for the whole of this distance is a line straight as a crow's flight. The party reached

COTEAU

early in the day and got off at the station which is situated close to the village. This is the present terminus of the line. The trip down was made leisurely to enable the party to fairly see the nature of the construction and the description of the country which the road passes through. At the landing all embarked upon the steamer "St. Francis", which was in waiting and proceeded to

TURK'S ISLAND

prettily situated in the St. Lawrence. The island is destined to be one of the points over which the proposed new bridge will pass. It is already connected to the mainland by telegraph, and for the convenience of the visitors, a temporary office under canvas was put up. A large awning tent had been put on the island in which tables for four hundred were laid and by the time all were seated they were well filled. Here a bountiful collation was spread. The drive, the country morning and the fresh air had sharpened the appetites of the excursionists and enabled them to do full justice to the repast. The solid part of the entertainment had come to a close with all well satisfied and with plenty to spare. Mr. McGillivray, president of the road, called on the company to fill their glasses and proposed the health of the Queen, which was received with all honors, the entire party joining in the National Anthem.

The next toast, also proposed by the president of the road, was that of "the President of the United States", in doing which he alluded briefly to the friendly relations existing between the people on each side of the border, and expressed his conviction that the construction of such work as the Coteau must always help, by promoting facilities for commercial interchange to do much to cement a friendly feeling. He coupled the toast with the name of Colonel Robbins,

Commercial Consul at Ottawa.

Reply by Colonel Robbins

Toast to the Governor General

Toast to the Army, Navy and Volunteers

Toast to Dominion and Local Legislatures

Toast to Corporation of the City of Ottawa

Toast to the prosperity of the Canada Atlantic Railway

Several volunteer toasts followed.

An adjournment was at once made and the party embarked

FOR VALLEYFIELD

on board the St. Francis. This portion of the trip did not occupy long and a halt was made at the boat landing. The stay at Valleyfield was made of brief duration but long enough to allow the excursionists to form some idea of the place which has about five thousand of a population and contains the largest paper mill and cotton factory in Canada. Both of these structures are of a most substantial character being built of blue limestone and showing considerable architectural taste in their construction.

HOME AGAIN

the party started. On the return trip, while on the steamer, an impromptu meeting was organized and the hurricane deck was converted into a rostrum from which Dr. Hill, Mr. Clemow and several others delivered pithy speeches to the passengers below. At Coteau the train was again taken. The only stop made on the return trip was at Alexandria to let off the contingent which had embarked there. The distance to Ottawa, wanting only an insignificant fraction of being eighty miles was made in slightly less than eight hours and a half. The train got to Stewarton at twenty minutes past eight.

02/10/1882 *Ottawa Free Press*

Canada Atlantic

On Saturday evening a number of young ladies boarded an engine and were taken for a short trip down the line of the C.A.R.

02/10/1882 *Ottawa Free Press*

Canada Atlantic

Very full account of the opening excursion.

Formal opening of the Canada Atlantic Railway

Trip from Ottawa to Valleyfield

Ottawa Oct. 1. Yesterday about 300 invited guests accompanied the directors of the Canada Atlantic railway in a trip over the road on the occasion of its preliminary opening. The party left the city at eight o'clock in the morning, and after several stoppages en route for the purpose of examining the line, arrived at Coteau at eleven, a distance of 87 miles. The road is well laid, and the running is consequently smooth. There are very slight gradients and few curves of any account, the Canada Atlantic in these respects resembling the Canada Southern. The end of the line for the present is at Coteau, where it joins the Grand Trunk, but it is contemplated to construct a bridge across the St. Lawrence from this point to Valleyfield, in the county of Neuharnois, and thence to extend the railway 45 miles to the United States frontier, where it will connect with the Vermont Central, and so provide direct communication with Boston and New York. Between Coteau and Valleyfield is a chain of islands which afford great facilities for the construction of a bridge with comparatively short spans. When the road now in course of construction to connect the Midland system with Ottawa is complete, there will be a through line from Buffalo to the seaboard, of which the road opened yesterday will be an important link. At Coteau the party went on board the St. Francis steamboat, and were taken to Clark island, the largest of the group across which the Canada Atlantic is to be extended. A large tent had been erected on the island, and under it an excellent luncheon was provided. Toasts followed, and among the speakers were Senators Skead of Ottawa and Sutherland of Manitoba, Messrs. Tasse, M.P. for Ottawa, Scott, M.P. for Winnipeg, Dickinson, M.P. for Russell, Desjardins, M.P.P. for Montmorency, Baskerville, M.P.P. for Ottawa, Mayor St. Jean of Ottawa, Sheriff Sweetland, Col. Robins, American vice-consul, Dr. Grant, and Mr. Lindsay, the contractor for the road. Mr. C. McGillivray, Canada Atlantic Railway Company, presided. The speakers all anticipated great results to the Ottawa valley from the construction of the line, eulogised the contractor for the manner in which it had been built, and urged the Ottawa corporation to pay the bonus it had promised to the company. The steamer then conveyed the guests to Valleyfield, where a very brief stay was made, though sufficient to show the lively character of the town and the imposing structures it contained in its cotton mills, churches, convents, and halls. The party then returned to Coteau, from which point they were conveyed to Ottawa in two hours and a half.

04/10/1882 *Pontiac News**Pontiac & Pacific Junction*

We learn that the Pontiac Railway Company have bought the line from Aylmer to Ottawa from the Canadian Pacific Syndicate for \$12,000 per mile.

06/10/1882 *Ottawa Free Press**Canada Atlantic*

The property owned by Mr. P.A. Eagleson, at the corner of Rideau and Sussex streets, has been sold for railway purposes, the consideration being \$25,000. The purchasers are said to be the Canada Atlantic Railway Co.

07/10/1882 *Ottawa Free Press**Sussex Street**Sussex Street*

Through the dropping out of a pin from a switch on one of the tracks in the St. L. & O. R.R. yard last evening, the locomotive Countess of Dufferin, driven by Thomas O'Neil, with the tender and baggage car, ran off the track. Fortunately the engine was going at a very slow rate of speed at the time, or some heavy damage might have resulted. No blame could be attached to anyone for the occurrence. A number of men with the assistance of another locomotive, replaced the engine and cars on the track.

Yesterday afternoon a CITIZEN reporter visited the new depots of the Canada Atlantic Railway, which is now under construction at Stewarton and found that the different contractors were rapidly pushing the work entrusted to them towards completion. As is known to most of the readers of THE CITIZEN the depots are situated on Elgin Street and is about ten minutes walk distant from the City Hall. The

PASSENGER DEPOT

is being erected by Messrs. MacLaren and Parkham, who have also constructed all other stations on the line, commencing at Coteau and finishing at Ottawa. The appearance of the building at first glance denotes that comfort to the officers of the line and convenience to the public have been considered more than architectural beauty. Arriving at the place by Elgin Street access can be had to the different offices and the cars by a platform 300 feet long, which extends westward, and is covered by a roof, so as to prevent passengers from being subjected to the inclemency of the weather. The building proper is 72 by 24 feet. Off the waiting room, which will be considerably larger than the usual size are a ticket office and a telegraph room. The latter is somewhat different from those generally observed on other roads. A large bay window extends from the centre of the building on to the platform, with glass on each side as well as in the front, so that the operator, who will have his table placed at the window, may see approaching trains from either direction. This is a decided improvement on the old system, where an operator was closed up in a room and hidden from having any opportunity as to what was going on around him. Perhaps there is no more frequent mistake made by telegraph clerks than the omission to change his order board in obedience to instructions wired by the train despatcher. If the order board and the road for some distance on each side of the depot were in view of the operator, as they will happily be in the present case, the liability to incur accidents through the negligence to perform the arduous duties pertaining to one entrusted with the lives of hundreds, would be reduced to its lowest minimum. A case in point is the recent Bainsville disaster on the Grand Trunk Railway (gives details) One feature of the roof is that it projects sufficiently to allow the rain to pass on to the cars or line of rails and thereby prevent passengers from any nuisance on this score. Although the building is a wooden one, it is of a very substantial character and everything is so arranged that the slightest possible inconvenience will be suffered by the travelling community. The grounds around the depot are being tastefully laid out and the accommodation for those arriving in vehicles is carefully taken into consideration. Messrs. MacLaren and Parkham will have their part of the work finished in the course of four weeks.

FREIGHT SHED

The freight shed, which is situated westward from the passenger depot is being built by the well known contractor Mr. Black of this city and the work reflects great credit upon him. The superstructure is 112 feet by 26 feet with a platform 24 feet long extending from each end and another 12 feet wide on either side of the building. An office for the freight agent and his staff of clerks will be placed at the eastern end of the shed. It is intended to heat the shed by steam. Mr. Black informed our representative that he expected to have the contract finished in about two weeks hence.

CAR SHEDS

Mr. White of Ottawa is the contractor for the erection of the car sheds, which are placed on the eastern side of Elgin Street and are 250 feet long by 39 feet wide. The structure may be styled a balloon framework, and is built on fixed posts covering two lines of rails for the accommodation of passenger cars. There is nothing peculiar about the building which is of a permanent and substantial character, the workmanship being highly creditable to the builder.

THE ROUND HOUSE

A few yards further east and almost on a line with the car sheds, is the engine or roundhouse which everyone knows is for the accommodation of the locomotives when they are not in use. The building, which is being erected by Mr. Palen, is a wooden structure 107 feet by 72, and contains sufficient stalls for five engines. A main line of rails approaches the superstructure and, by a turning table in front of the building, each engine can be turned into whatever stall may be desired. All engines used on the road are wood burners. Mr. Palen expects to have the work completed by the end of next week at the latest.

CHAUDIERE BRANCH

The company has experienced no small difficulty in locating the Chaudiere branch which runs from this point to the flats, principally for the benefit of the lumbermen of the city. Several routes have been all but decided upon, but, as it were, in the eleventh hour something arose which upset the entire plans of the promoters, and today they are as far from locating the line as they have been at any time during the history of the road. The most recent route determined upon by the company was objected to by the Government, as the place of the crossing - Richmond Road - would entail two crossings in close proximity to each other - namely that of the St. Lawrence and Ottawa railway and the one in question - thereby being dangerous to public travel by the road. To remedy the difficulty it was proposed to deflect the road to a point where it would be practicable for the railway to run under. The company which owns the road, however, would not sanction this, and some other change had, of necessity, to be made. To assist them out of their difficulty the Dominion Government suggested that the line should be brought alongside the St. Lawrence and Ottawa Branch and cross the Richmond Road close to the former railway, thus making actually one crossing. The scheme is at present occupying the attention of the Chief Engineer. If it is adopted, a heavy grade to climb by east-going trains will be the consequence, not to speak of heavy a heavy cutting through solid rock, all of which it is needless to say, the company wish to avoid, both for the expense and the practical occupation of the line afterwards. The east end of the branch is well under way and it is very likely that the final location of the remaining portion will be settled at an early day.

TRAIN SERVICE

There are at present two trains running each way from Stewarton station to Coteau and vice versa. Considering that the road has only been open to this city for the past few days, the amount of travel which has already been secured is simply marvelous, and established the fact beyond the shadow of a doubt that by the construction of the line a long felt want has been supplied to the residents of the Capital and those in the different districts through which the Canada Atlantic Railway traverses.

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Sussex Street

Rideau River bridge

The footpath across the St. Lawrence & Ottawa Railway bridge over the Rideau river is in exceedingly dangerous state at present. Pedestrians crossing the bridge after dark had better beware of a rotten plank just about the centre of the bridge and between two piers. By falling through this drowning would probably result.

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Ottawa, Waddington & New York

Morrisburg

Account of a meeting at South Williamsburg.

10/10/1882

Ottawa Free Press

Kingston (CP)

Renfrew

Seventy-five horses and carts were rigged out recently in Renfrew Village for work on the Kingston & Pembroke R.R. Horses cannot be had in Renfrew for team work for love or money. All, or nearly all, have been sent to work on the railway.

12/10/1882

Ottawa Free Press

Ottawa, Waddington & New York

Account of the first meeting of the Provisional Directors in Ottawa.

14/10/1882

Ottawa Free Press

Canada Atlantic

Mr. Switzer, formerly constable of the St. L. & O. Railway Depot in Lower Town, is at present acting constable at the C.A. Railway Station at the foot of Elgin street.

14/10/1882

Ottawa Citizen

Canada Atlantic

Carlsbad Springs

The foundation of the new station on the Canada Atlantic Railway at Eastman's Springs has been laid and Messrs. MacLaren and Parkham have sent several men from the building which they are engaged in putting up at Stewarton to the former place to proceed with the carpenter work. When both stations named are completed all will be finished between Ottawa and Coteau.

14/10/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Canada Atlantic*

Mr. R. Watts, Sparks Street has been awarded the contractor painting the engine house and freight shed of the Canada Atlantic Railway depot at Stewarton. The running of trains on the Canada Atlantic Railway between Montreal and Ottawa will commence on November 1st.

16/10/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Canada Atlantic*

Montreal Witness. The announcement recently made that the Grand Trunk would run three hour trains to the capital rather took the syndicate by surprise, if all is true that is said of their action. When the announcement was made there was a hurrying up of the engineers of the department, and it was resolved to run the trains between one point and another in three hours and twenty minutes. This appears to be the fastest time that can now be made over the Canadian Pacific.

"What do you think of the competition," said our reporter to an employee of the Canada Atlantic?

"The Grand Trunk can run quicker over our line than the Syndicate can over theirs, for the reason that the grades on our line are all easier, there are few bridges - none to speak of - and, if necessary, time can be made half an hour shorter."

"What is to be gained by the competition?"

"The public will be the gainer as to the true difference. But when the Quebec and Ontario road is completed through to Toronto, mark my words, there will be a saving of time. They will have some of these days to run eight hour trains to the Queen City of the West - perhaps even shorter time trains than that."

The Ottawa trains over the Grand Trunk are thus to be taken as a sample of what competition is going to do for Montreal and Toronto cities.

17/10/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Carleton Place* *Chaudiere*

New Crossing - The Canadian Pacific Railway Company are building a crossing extending from the corner of Queen street west, near the Union Depot, across their sidings for the benefit of the lumbermen.

Car shed - the building of the new shed for the repair of passenger cars at the Union Depot of the Canadian Pacific Railway is being rapidly pushed towards completion. The carpenters are at work on the roof of the structure and expect to be finished in the course of a few days.

17/10/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Ottawa City Passenger*

The waggon, driven by John Ryan, of Aylmer, became entangled in the street car rails near the iron bridge at the Chaudiere on Saturday and in attempting to extricate it Mr. Ryan was pitched off, his head striking against the seat, and sustaining a deep cut. At the same time some 30 dozen eggs were smashed - another result of the dangerous state of the rails at present.

18/10/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Carleton Place*

The ordinary special train which leaves every Tuesday and Friday for Mattawa for the accommodation of lumbermen sending their men horses and supplies to the shanties, left at the usual hour yesterday, and was well filled. Among the crowd was a number of men sent by Mr. Allan Grant. The system of running special trains for this sort of traffic is a great improvement over the old method.

18/10/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Canada Atlantic* *Rideau Canal*

At 8.30 yesterday morning a special train left the Stewarton depot of the Canada Atlantic Railway having on board Messrs. W. Shanly C.E., T.C. Keefer C.E., E. Ridout C.E. of the Department of Railways and Canals, D.C. Linsley, contractor, G.W. Lampman, resident engineer, A. Duffy C.E., G.M. Sprage, auditor, E.C. Winnie, general freight and passenger agent, F.M. Barstow C.E. and D. Donaldson, mechanical engineer. The object was to test the bridges recently constructed by the Toronto Bridge Company. The train consisted of three engines and a passenger car, the aggregate weight being 200 tons. The first bridge tested was that over the Rideau Canal, the deflection being one fourth of an inch. The other bridges in turn were carefully examined, and it was found that none of them exceeded the deflection above noted. This was considered highly satisfactory and the party returned to the city fully of the opinion that the work had been well done. The comfort of the "inner man" was not forgotten on the trip, a sumptuous repast being served up between Moose Creek and Casselmans.

19/10/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Chaudiere*

Locating a line - a corps of surveyors are at present engaged in locating the branch line of the Canada Atlantic Railway which is to run from Elgin Street to the Chaudiere. They are now at work in the vicinity of Dr. Malloch's residence, at which point it is thought the line will cross Richmond Road.

19/10/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Canada Atlantic* *Elgin Street Station*

Canada Atlantic - great activity is now being displayed at the Elgin Street station of the Canada Atlantic Railway. Trains of ballasting material are now being brought in at night and the work of leveling the yard is being rapidly proceeded with. Ten carloads of freight arrived in the city by this road yesterday.

Manitoba special - it is more than probable that the next Manitoba special, both for the carrying of settlers and their effects to the Prairie Province will leave by the Canada Atlantic Railway and join the Grand Trunk at Coteau instead of proceeding by the Canadian Pacific to Brockville as heretofore. The next party leaves on the 8th November

19/10/1882 *Pontiac News* *Pontiac & Pacific Junction*

Work on the Pontiac Pacific Junction Ry. is progressing favorably. There is now over 300 men employed, and track laying has commenced and over three miles of rails are laid. Five new flat cars, built by the Ontario Car Co. of London, Ont., arrived last week. They are being used for ballasting the road and for ?. The rock cut at Hurdman's is getting on well. More but illegible.

19/10/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Carleton Place* *Chaudiere*

There was rather a lively time at the Union station this afternoon when 100 English navvies, who arrived from Rimouski last night, were being shipped to work on the Canadian Pacific Railway about forty five miles above Mattawa. They were all more or less under the influence of Chaudiere whiskey, and the consequence was a good deal of noise and confusion. Although boisterous they were a good natured crowd, and the few who were inclined to be boisterous were soon quieted by Constable Graves.

20/10/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Ottawa, Waddington & New York* *Morrisburg*

Site for the bridge across the St. Lawrence selected.

20/10/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Pontiac & Pacific Junction*

Mr. W. Kenney, Advocate, and Mr. G.L. Dumouchel, notary, are now and have been for some time past on the line of the Pontiac and Pacific Junction Railway Company for the purpose of settling the right of way through which the road passes. Several deeds have been executed but expropriations will have to take place where tenders have been refused. Mr. Kenney has made a thorough search in the Registry offices of Ottawa and Pontiac Counties of the titles to the different lands between Aylmer and the 9th and 10th ranges of Onslow. He finds the titles to some of the lands in Onslow in a very mixed up condition.

20/10/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *St. Lawrence and Ottawa* *Chaudiere*

While performing shunting operations the railway employees of the Canadian Pacific Railway are in the habit of leaving the gates extending across the St. Lawrence and Ottawa branch closed, thus frequently necessitating the public who are driving that way to leave their horses and vehicles to open them.

Complaints are at all events being made to that effect, and a little attention to the matter would save the travelling community a good deal of trouble.

25/10/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Aylmer branch* *Aylmer*

There are no second class cars now being run on the Aylmer branch of the Canadian Pacific Railway. A rumour exists to the effect that this portion of the company's road will be disposed of to the Pontiac and Pacific Junction Railway.

26/10/1882 **Ottawa Citizen** **Canada Atlantic**

On a cowcatcher - one of the most miraculous escapes on record happened to Mr. H.B. Wood of 39 Mosgrove Street last Tuesday evening on the line of the Canada Atlantic Railway. It seems that as Mr. Wood was driving alongside the railway, somewhere near Hurdman's Bridge, he fell asleep in the buggy in which he was seated and the horse wandered on to the line. A few minutes afterwards a locomotive came along at such a rate that, although the engineer did all in his power, he was unable to stop the train, and it was but the work of a minute more when the buggy was hurled over the embankment and into the river beneath, but fortunately for the occupant, he was pitched on to the cross bar of the engine, which is placed over the cowcatcher, and carried to the railway station safe and still asleep. It is needless to say when the man was told the circumstances of how he escaped he was overjoyed and by so means wept over the loss of the buggy. The horse was caught afterwards in a field close by unharmed.

26/10/1882 **Ottawa Free Press** **Ottawa City Passenger**

Another for the street railway.

At 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon James Sutherland was driving a team attached to a waggon loaded with coal, and when trying to get out of the rut of the Street Railway track, opposite the Russell Hotel, broke the axle of his waggon. The road bed between the track is three inches below the rail and it is no wonder the victims are numerous.

27/10/1882 **Ottawa Citizen** **Canada Atlantic** **Elgin Street station**

The new station of the Canada Atlantic Railway which is now under construction at Stewarton will be completed in a few days. Mr. Howman has got the contract for plastering the building, and along with the painters is busy at work.

27/10/1882 **Ottawa Citizen** **Canada Atlantic** **Carlsbad Springs**

The carpenter work of the station at Eastman's Springs is all but completed. Messrs. McLaren and Parham (sic) had the contract, as they also had of all the other stations on the line.

27/10/1882 **Ottawa Citizen** **Canada Atlantic**

Article on the Canada Atlantic bonus by the City of Ottawa. Failed by one vote.

Work was commenced in August 1872 in Glengarry county and proceeded without interruption until January 1874 when over twenty-seven miles was fully graded and about ten miles were in addition under way including bridges, masonry, culverts, fencing and other work.

CAR formed on 15th May 1879 by amalgamation of Coteau and Province Line Ry. and bridge Co. and Montreal and City of Ottawa Junction Ry. Contract was awarded to D.C. Linsley in February 1882 who continued believing in good faith that the city would grant the \$100,000. A writ will be served on the city.

28/10/1882 **Ottawa Citizen** **Lachute**

Attention is directed to the important changes in the timetable of the CPR which appears in this issue. From 1st November lightning express trains will leave Ottawa at 9.30 a.m. reaching Montreal at 1.20 p.m. and at 6 p.m. reaching Montreal at 9.58 a.m.

Note - the Grand Trunk also is advertising trains leaving at 0800 and 1645 arriving 1145 and 2020.

28/10/1882 **Ottawa Free Press** **St. Lawrence and Ottawa**

All of the engines except two of the St. Lawrence & Ottawa Railway have been transferred to the Canadian Pacific.

28/10/1882 **Ottawa Free Press** **Pontiac & Pacific Junction**

The contractors on the P. & P. J. find it very difficult to obtain a sufficient number of laborers to carry on the work of construction of the road as fast as they would like to, although they are paying \$1.50 per day to men and \$5 per man and team. A large force is at present employed and the work is being pushed on very rapidly; but yet there is room for more. The farmers in the lower end of Onslow and the majority of those in Eardley are all busy with their teams on the road.

30/10/1882 **Ottawa Free Press** **St. Lawrence and Ottawa** **Chaudiere**

The old St. Lawrence Railway station at the Chaudiere has been converted into a paint shop for the C.P.R. This work has heretofore been done at Prescott.

30/10/1882 **Ottawa Citizen** **Canada Atlantic** **Rideau Canal drawbridge**

The authorities of the Canada Atlantic Railway have stopped pedestrian passage across their bridge over the canal. A notice has been placed on it that it is dangerous for foot passengers, and the keeper has orders not to allow them to pass.

30/10/1882 **Ottawa Citizen** **Kingston (CP)**

The Kingston and Pembroke Railway is now finished to within fifteen miles of Renfrew, which will be the terminus although the first idea was to have it at Pembroke. A large number of men are employed on the works and it is intended to put on a night gang about the end of the present week. Already regular trains are running between Kingston and Flower station near Cameron settlement, at the south end of the Clyde. The new line will have the effect of developing the rich mineral resource of the Madawaska and as a proof of the latter statement it may be mentioned that a number of mining companies are at work preparing to begin operations next spring. It may also be stated that this road will connect with the Canadian Pacific at a point near Renfrew.

31/10/1882 **Ottawa Citizen** **Canada Atlantic**

Press Excursion Montreal to Ottawa. Mainly about the lunch at the Russell Hotel.

Train left Montreal at 0900 and arrived at Ottawa at 1229, one minute early. Consist - one Pullman, one first class, one second and one baggage car newly purchased by the CAR. Messrs. Perley, Booth, Fleck, Spragge and Gormully waited for the press men at the station. Party left for Montreal at 4.20 p.m.

01/11/1882 **Ottawa Citizen** **Canada Atlantic**

Today regular train service on the CAR will open for passenger traffic. Public now have at their disposal two first class lines of railway by which they can travel between Montreal and Ottawa.

02/11/1882 **Ottawa Free Press** **St. Lawrence and Ottawa** **Rideau River bridge**

The Condemned St. L. & O. Bridge.

The whole river between the Canadian shore and Sister Island seemed to be moving this morning, when the car ferry boat, Transit, with a huge scow alongside, came slowly towards our dock. It seems that a consignment of twenty-eight carloads of railway and bridge timbers for the C. & L.C. Railway had been purchased back of Ottawa, and could not be taken over the St. L. & O. road because of the condemned bridge. It was accordingly ordered to be sent here, the first shipment arriving yesterday. Two cars were put on the Transit and two more on the scow, when they started for home. They will ferry the whole 29 cars from here. Brockville Recorder, 1st.

02/11/1882 **Pontiac News** **Pontiac & Pacific Junction**

Upwards of forty men arrived here yesterday to work on the Pontiac Pacific Junction Railway between Aylmer and Quio. They were an able bodied lot of navvies and no doubt will do good work on the track - Aylmer Times.

04/11/1882 **Ottawa Citizen** **Carleton Place** **Union Depot**

The Union Passenger station of the Canadian Pacific Railway is receiving a new coat of paint and is being generally renovated.

10/11/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Canada Atlantic*

The Canada Atlantic Railway have taken possession of their new general offices on Elgra (Elgin?) Street near the Stewarton depot.

11/11/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Sussex Street* *Sussex Street*

While the 7.15 train from the west was steaming into the St. Lawrence & Ottawa Railway station last evening a passenger and a baggage car by some means or other, ran off the track at the Dalhousie street crossing. The train being moving only at a slow rate of speed no damage fortunately resulted. The cars were put on the track in the course of an hour by a gang of section men.

13/11/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Pontiac & Pacific Junction*

It is again rumoured that the Pontiac Pacific Railway has sold out to the Canadian Pacific. This statement can hardly be credited in face of the assurances from the president of the former to the effect that his company are determined to build the road. It is also said that the crossing at Lapasse has been condemned and a favorable one found at Split Rock, about two miles above Portage du Fort, the line running through Clarendon about one mile and a half south of Shawville. The people of Pontiac are deeply interested as to the location of the crossing, the truth of which will no doubt be found out at the approaching meeting of the directors.

14/11/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Canada Atlantic*

Construction trains are running nightly on the Canada Atlantic Railway. They are at present engaged in dumping earth into the new car shop to form an embankment on which to lay tracks.

17/11/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Pontiac & Pacific Junction*

It was stated in the city yesterday that owing to some disagreement with the contractors the men working on one section of the Pontiac and Pacific Railway left the road en masse. As strong efforts are being made to push the road rapidly towards completion this will be rather annoying if true.

20/11/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Pontiac & Pacific Junction*

The Pontiac Pacific Junction Railway engineers have finished the location of the line as far as Lapasse in Pontiac county and the line has been completed between the aforesaid point and the town of Pembroke. It is said a party are engaged boring preparatory to erecting the piers for the bridge at Lapasse. Engineers were prospecting last week in the neighbourhood of Split Rock on the Calumet Chenail.

20/11/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Belleville* *Perth*

The railroads are progressing very favourably west of this place. The bridge across the Fall River is under construction and will be built of cut stone laid in cement. A large number of men are at work between here and Sharbot Lake in the rock cuts, and although the country is rough and it is difficult to construct a road, yet the work is going on, and will be completed sooner than anticipated by many.

20/11/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Kingston (CP)* *Renfrew*

Work on the Kingston and Pembroke Railway is being pushed forward. It may interest those who are wondering by which route the company will enter Renfrew to learn that it is rumoured the right of way has been purchased for the track on the western side of the village indicating that the station will be near the Bonnechere River.

20/11/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Ottawa, Waddington & New York*

The work of surveying on the Ottawa, Waddington and New York Railway and Bridge Company is progressing with all possible rapidity and it is expected that in a few days the line to Ottawa will be finished. The bridge site has been fixed, soundings taken of the river, and the route laid from Waddington to North Williamsburg.

21/11/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Ottawa, Waddington & New York*

Asks city for a bonus of \$150,000 for a bridge across the Ottawa river to Hull.

23/11/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Pontiac & Pacific Junction* *Split Rock*

The engineers of the Canada Atlantic Railway sent up to examine the crossing of the Ottawa River at Split Rock were exceedingly reticent in their communications. They found that one pier of the railway bridge would have to be built in forty feet of water. They would not say what they thought of the place as a possible crossing for the railway. They were evidently following instructions to keep their eyes and ears open and their mouths shut.

23/11/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Chalk River* *Almonte*

It is understood by the Almonte people that a new iron bridge will shortly replace the one at present spanning the river there, and that other important railway improvements are contemplated by the Canadian Pacific Railway authorities. The depot will in all likelihood be removed to the opposite side of the track from where it at present stands.

24/11/1882 *Renfrew Mercury* *Toronto and Ottawa* *Perth*

The rails of the Toronto and Ottawa are now being laid at Madoc and Perth. There are some seven hundred men engaged in the construction of this road.

24/11/1882 *Ottawa Free Press* *Tramway* *Perley & Pattee*

The car rails in the lumber yard of the firm of Perley & Pattee, Chaudiere, will be replaced during the winter by steel rails, which have been manufactured in Burlington, Vermont.

24/11/1882 *Renfrew Mercury* *Kingston (CP)*

The car works at Kingston are building three passenger cars for the K. & P. Railway and in a short time commencement will be made on 100 flat cars for the same road - a necessity in order to accommodate the increasing traffic in iron ore.

25/11/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Kingston (CP)* *Sharbot Lake*

Perth Expositor - the price paid to the Kingston and Pembroke Railway for the use of their crossing over Sharbot Lake by the O&RR (sic) is said to be \$14,000. The latter will take the west side of the embankment which they will widen and build up with cut stone. More.

25/11/1882 *Ottawa Citizen* *Pontiac & Pacific Junction*

It appears that much dissatisfaction exists amongst many of the employees of the PPJ. Many are leaving the works and do not by any means give a flattering account of matters. It is also understood that operations will be stopped until spring. Speaking of the circumstances of the case, a contemporary says 'An ancient once said that hope deferred maketh the heart sick'. So may the labourers on the PPJ Railway say today. They have long been waiting for the advent of the ever necessary. But like a marsh light it gleams for a moment before their expectant vision and just before they are about to touch the long sought for object, it disappears into the darkness of distance. They cry out often in their own minds, yet not in the exact moods of the Latin orator "How long, how long, O Cataline, shalt thou abuse our patience?" and the monotonous telegrams reply "How long!"

27/11/1882 Brockville Recorder Kingston (CN) Brockville

Fifteen small boys, ranging in age from eight to fifteen, were in line under the stern eye of the Cadi this morning to answer to a charge of disorderly conduct at the Grand trunk depot. these are the youngsters who take possession of a hand car in the yard on an occasional Sunday and create a regular nuisance. Twelve of them were fined \$1 each, two were found not guilty, and one was discharged on account of his extreme youth.

05/12/1882 Ottawa Citizen Pontiac & Pacific Junction

The difficulty on the PPJ Railway between Aylmer and Quion, whereby most of the men left, was caused by a disagreement between the sub-contractor and the contractor. Although some persons have seen fit to throw discredit on the company for this delay, they have nothing to do with it, the whole difficulty lay between the contractors and those to whom they sub-let the work of construction.

Discussion of the relative merits of the crossings at Split Rock and Lapasse. Bryson's Point

05/12/1882 Ottawa Citizen Kingston (CP)

A member of the firm that has the contract to build twelve miles of the Kingston and Pembroke Railway between the Clyde and the Madawaska states that there are three miles and a half of this section laid with rails and that four miles more are graded. Rails will be laid to Calabogie Lake by next June which is about eleven miles from the Clyde. There are 450 men working on this section. The people from Bedford and Crosby townships are agitating for railway connection and in all probability a branch of the Kingston and Pembroke Railway will be run to Westport, on the understanding that the municipalities grant a bonus of \$25,000 or \$30,000.

06/12/1882 Ottawa Free Press Pontiac & Pacific Junction

The difficulty on the Pontiac Railroad between Aylmer and Quyon whereby most of the men working on it left, was caused by a disagreement between the contractor and the sub-contractor. Some have thought to throw discredit upon the company for this trouble whereas the company has nothing to do with it. Any person can see at a glance that if a man contracts for the building of the whole line of road and sublets the work in sections to other men, and disagreements arise between them on any matter connected with the work, the company cannot be chargeable in any shape or form. Only in the case of a serious and prolonged stoppage of the work owing to such disagreement would the company be justified in interfering. Again if men engage themselves to work for these sub-contractors, they should see to it before they begin work, that their pay would be all right - Pontiac Advance.

08/12/1882 Renfrew Mercury Pontiac & Pacific Junction

There is considerable dissatisfaction among the laborers on the Pontiac and Pacific Junction Railway. Many of them have ceased work, and it is said things are at a standstill. Non payment of wages by the contractors is said to be the cause of the trouble. - Arnprior Chronicle.

11/12/1882 Brockville Recorder Brockville

On Saturday night a pitch-in occurred at the semaphore of the Canadian pacific, just outside the town limits, between two special freight trains. One was standing on the track when the second dashed into the rear. The van and one of the freight cars on the first train were demolished and a third torn from the tracks. Traffic is said to have been delayed for a couple of hours.

14/12/1882 Ottawa Free Press Sussex Street Sussex Street

In backing the 10 a.m. train at the St. Lawrence & Ottawa Railway depot, the iron horse, pushed just a little too far showing the rear car off the end of the track and through the fence fronting on Sussex street on to the roadway. Fortunately no serious damage was done and things were righted in a short time.

15/12/1882 Renfrew Mercury New York Central

A meeting of the directors of the O. & P. Railway was recently held at Cornwall; and it was decided to make an application for aid to the Dominion government. Efforts will also be made to get a bonus from the Ontario Legislature. This line is the one that will run from Cornwall to Ottawa and Arnprior and thence to Eganville by the old Bonnechere Valley route. It is pretty well acknowledged now, that the Bonnechere Valley route was, after all, the cheapest and the best that could be adopted for the C.P.R.

19/12/1882 Ottawa Citizen Chaudiere

With the exception of the rock cutting at Mount Sherwood on the Chaudiere extension of the CAR, work has been stopped for the winter months. Messrs. Brown and Wilkins have the contract for the rock work, and has a force of men busily engaged. The building of the bridges and culverts have been sublet to Mr. J. Black. It is understood that no delay will take place until the work is completed.