
Kingston, Smiths Falls and Ottawa Railway

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Kingston, Smiths Falls and Ottawa. Upon the hearing of the company's application for approval of its route between Kingston and Ottawa, May 28, M.K. Cowan, K.C. stated that the GTR was interested in the company and if a proper location was given would construct the line. The location plans are under consideration by the Board of Railway Commissioners.

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Kingston, Smiths Falls and Ottawa. Surveys for this line show a route leaving the GTR main line about six miles east of Kingston and going practically direct to Ottawa, about 70 miles. One hundred men started grading at the Ottawa end July 2. R.S. Logan, assistant to the second Vice President and General Manager, GTR stated recently in Montreal that the people engaged in promoting the construction of the line contemplated giving the GTR an interest in it and establishing friendly connections with the larger line. "We will interchange passengers," he said, "and probably run through cars. On account of these friendly relations it is the desire of the GTR to encourage the new road and support it as much as possible."

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Kingston, Smiths Falls and Ottawa. Although the project to construct a line of railway between Kingston and Ottawa is being carried out by an independent company with the above title, it is really a GTR work.

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Kingston, Smiths Falls and Ottawa. A letter from A.T. Drummond, respecting the route of entrance of this projected railway into Ottawa, is before the city council. Some years ago the council voted \$50,000 to the company towards the construction of this railway, but nothing was done towards earning it. The company has been taken up by the GTR and an assurance given that as soon as the location plans have been approved of by the Government, construction will be started. The application to have these plans approved by the Railway Commissioners was made by the GTR legal department and we are advised that while the company is not a GTR one, traffic arrangements have been made between the two companies.

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Kingston, Smiths Falls and Ottawa. Surveys are reported completed in the vicinity of Smiths falls or this projected railway. The party is now working in the vicinity of Richmond.

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W. Wainwright, Fourth Vice-President, GTR said in Ottawa recently that the GTR was prepared to finance and construct the proposed direct line between Kingston and Ottawa, just as soon as the holders of the charter arranged with the municipalities along the line to pay certain bonuses that had been voted. Some of the municipalities have already promised to renew the bonuses originally promised to the KSF&O, while other still have the matter under consideration.

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At the annual meeting of the Kingston Board of Trade, May 6, a communication was received from C. M. Hays, Second Vice-President and General Manager, to the effect that just as soon as money was available this line would be pushed through. In connection with the construction of this line the G.T.R. will undertake extensive and important improvements at Kingston.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of the K., S.F. and O. Ry. Co. is announced be held at Kingston, June 1.

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The annual meeting of shareholders of this company, a number of the directors of which are G.T.R. officials, was called for June 2, but was adjourned indefinitely.