

Local Railway Items from Area Papers - Ontario and Quebec Railway

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We learn that a deputation consisting of Robert Bell, Esq., and other leading residents of Carleton place and Lanark villages waited upon Sir Hugh Allan in Ottawa on Friday last to urge him to have a full and accurate examination made of the Perth and Lanark routes of the proposed railway. The deputation supplied Sir Hugh with a mass of statistical and other information concerning the proposed route, and endeavoured to impress him that this route would be more profitable and practicable than one via Perth. Sir Hugh listened intently and appeared to be favourably inclined to the views of the deputation, and expressed his determination to give their object the fullest consideration. We believe the Directors have decided that Carleton Place shall be the eastern terminus of the railway whether it goes by Lanark or Perth.

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The Perth Expositor, in showing the importance of direct railway connection with Toronto and the West for the town of Perth, says of the Ontario and Quebec Railway - We are led to understand that the Directors of the O. & Q. R.R. are favourable to an independent line from Ottawa via Richmond and Perth. This should be adopted instead of the plan at first proposed - of using the Canada Central as a portion of their through line. We give the following extracts from the report of the preliminary examination of this route, made by the careful engineer Mr. George Keefer: "As to the character of the line, it is nearly level as it is possible for a route to be. The streams are relatively insignificant, and a more favourable country for a line would be difficult to find."