

Local Railway Items from Area Papers - Ottawa, Morrisburg and New York Railway

30/09/1881 Almonte Gazette Ottawa, Morrisburg and New York Morrisburg

Bridging the St. Lawrence

The site for the international bridge in connection with the Morrisburg & Ottawa Railway has been located. Mr. Keefer, of Ottawa, assisted by an engineering staff, examined the different locations along the river, and after a close inspection and the taking of several measurements of the river, it was found the point at Mr. James Doran's across to Ogden's Island was the most desirable site on the St. Lawrence for a bridge, it being eminently satisfactory in every respect. The distance from the north shore across deep water at this point is only 400 feet; then a shoal, and not more than 7 feet depth of water to Ogden's Island. The spot chosen will be particularly favorable to Morrisburg and Waddington as offering great conveniences to those places. At Morrisburg the station can be brought in south of the Grand Trunk line, in the center of the town, touching Waddington also in the heart of the village.

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Bill introduced yesterday to incorporate the Ottawa, Morrisburg and New York Bridge and Railway Company. -- the railway is to run by the villages of Metcalfe, Vernun, Ormond and West Winchester --

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Pushing the Electric Railway

It is stated that as soon as the snow has gone, work will be commenced in the laying of tracks for the new electric railway from Morrisburg to Ottawa passing through the townships of Williamsburg and Winchester in Dundas county and the townships of Osgoode and Gloucester in Carleton, the southern terminus, as proposed to be the exhibition grounds in Ottawa.

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Power for Electric Railway

Options are being taken on water powers about the city of Ottawa by Mr. John McFarlane for the Morrisburg and Ottawa Electric railway. Options were taken this week on a water power on the Upper Ottawa developing 4,000 horse power. If this power is purchased the electricity will be conducted to Ottawa and from here will operate the cars to and from Morrisburg. The idea is also to furnish light and power to the villages along the route. A meeting of the directors of the new company will be held very soon when one of the water powers will probably be purchased.

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NEW ELECTRIC LINE

Survey Now Complete as Far as Winchester - Outline of Road to be Followed

The surveying party laying out the route of the Ottawa-Morrisburg electric railway has reached Winchester. The Gravel road is followed north of Morrisburg until Hess' Corners is reached south of Winchester Springs, where the line cuts through the swamp, crossing the headland a short distance east of the Springs. Proceeding, the road will cross the Nation river at Nation Valley and come out in the Summers Settlement, where it turns westward to Baker's Corners. It then runs along the main highway and enters Winchester by St. Lawrence street, turning east on Main street, along which it will run to Ottawa street and proceed to Ormond.

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The New Railroad

Mr. J. W. Willard, president, and a few of the directors of the proposed Ottawa-Morrisburg electric railway, are making final arrangements for the putting through of the line. As an amendment to the original idea of having the Ottawa terminus just south of Billings Bridge, negotiations are now on foot with the C.P.R. for the use of the old St. Lawrence and Ottawa railway station opposite Queen's wharf as a terminus. This, the directors feel, would be in every way a better place for the transmission of passengers and freight to central points in the city. Surveying for the line will be completed this month, and next month grading will begin. The greatest speed possible will be made in laying out the Ottawa-Morrisburg line. The line is to be capitalized at \$1,500,000 of which \$4,00,000, is to be in stock and the rest in floating bonds. Over \$200,000 of the company's stock has been bought.

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The final survey for the electric railway between Morrisburg and Ottawa was begun from Morrisburg today. This is the survey which fixes exactly where the grading takes place. The line will run along between the roadway and the edge of the road allowance, thus not interfering with traffic. The grading will begin in a few days and the right of way has been secured for the entire distance. Nearly all the wealthier farmers along the line have shares in the company.

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One of the Ottawa newspapers says the proposed electric railway between Ottawa and Morrisburg may be a monorail line. President McFarlane is investigating the invention,