

idea is that there should be one man for each county, under salary, and if he does not do his duty, then discharge him. That is practical to my mind, and we will never have good roads until we pay a salary to men to look after the expenditure of the public money, and be responsible for that expenditure.

I am afraid that the idea of forming Parish Associations cannot be worked out. You may form a Good Roads Association for the Province, but no association is any good unless it is alive, and unless an interest is taken in every portion of the Province the Association will not bring forth the results that it should, and the desired benefits will not accrue. However, I am fully in accord with the formation of a Good Roads Association, and will endeavor as a member of the Government to assist in every way in my power.

A. W. CAMPBELL, C.E.

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen: I am sure I was very much pleased indeed to receive an invitation from the Good Roads Association for the City and County of Saint John to come here and talk to you for a little while to-day on the question of road and street improvements. You must remember that I am not here in the same capacity as if before an audience in the Province of Ontario, where I am paid for addressing that audience, and to them giving instruction and, as it were, dictating. I did not come down here with the intention of finding any particular fault with your system of road and street making or of dictating to you as to how these roads and streets should be made, but simply to assist you in getting together and forming an Association, and to discuss with you the principles of road construction and generally to create an interest, getting you to take hold of the question and solve it for yourselves. In commencing a discussion along this line, especially in the rural districts, we are met with a good deal of opposition. I remember well, shortly after I was appointed to the position which I now occupy in Ontario, attending a meeting in the Eastern part of the Province. I was a little late in arriving at the hall, which was pretty well crowded. As soon as I was introduced by the Chairman and rose to address the audience, one old gentleman, who had been a road maker in that district, jumped up and said: "Tut,