

10. All bridges, culverts and other structures must be of ample size and strength for the purpose intended. Piers and abutments of bridges and culverts under embankments must be of massive stone masonry or iron made of durable and suitable materials, thoroughly permanent in character and in every essential particular equal to the best description of like work employed in similar railway work in the Dominion.

11. The rails shall be of steel, weight fifty-six pounds per lineal yard, of approved section and with the most approved fish or scabbard joints.

12. The roadway must be well ballasted with clear gravel or other suitable material.

13. Sufficient siding accommodation shall be provided by the Company as may be necessary to meet the requirements of the traffic.

14. Sufficient rolling stock necessary to accommodate the business of the line shall be provided by the Company, with stations and terminal accommodation, including engine-sheds, turn-tables, shops, machinery, &c.

Signed by the Vice-President of the said Company, the corporate Seal of the Company } E. F. BROOKS, *Vice-President*.
having been hereto fixed in presence of,

F. W. W. BOWES,
A. F. SIMPSON.

Signed by the Acting Minister and Secretary } J. H. POPE,
of Railways and Canals in Presence of, } *Acting Minister Railways and Canals*.
H. A. FISSIAULT, } A. P. BRADLEY, *Secretary*.
L. H. FILTEAU. }

OTTAWA, 1st August, 1883.

Sir,—I have the honor to report that, in accordance with instructions, I have examined the portion of the International Railway for a distance of 29 miles, east of the Village of Lennoxville, and find that it has been relaid with steel rails of 56 lbs. per yard throughout, thus forming a line of continuous steel rails from Lennoxville to Lake Megantic, a distance of 66 miles.

The road bed structures and permanent way on the above section of 29 miles are in good and safe condition, and conform to the requirements of the agreement dated 20th July, 1883, sanctioned by Order in Council, dated 31st July, 1883, under the authority of the Act 46 Vic., cap. 25.

I have the honor to be, Sir, your obdt. servt.,

THOMAS RIDOUT.

A. P. BRADLEY, Secretary Railways and Canals.

Memorandum.

2nd August, 1883.

The undersigned has the honor to represent that by an Order in Council, dated the 31st July, approval has been given to the conditions of an agreement between the Government and the International Railway Company, under which the subsidy of \$3,200 per mile, authorized by Parliament last Session, to be granted in aid of the construction of a portion of their line, 49 miles in length, between Sherbrooke and the boundary, is payable upon the completion of their line by certain dates and in accordance with requirements specified in the said agreement.

That under date of the 1st inst., the Inspecting Engineer of this Department reports that he has examined the portion of the line for a distance of 29 miles, east of the Village of Lennoxville, the completion of which by the 1st inst. is one of the provisions of the contract with the Government, and that he finds the track to have been relaid with steel rails of 56 lbs. per yard throughout; that the road structures and permanent way on the said section of 29 miles are in good and safe condition, and they are in conformity with the requirements of the agreement.