

divers inhabitants, and of the Board of Trade of the city of Toronto, adopted the following resolution:—

“Resolved that the sum of £25,000 in Debentures payable twenty years after date, with interest at six per cent. per annum, payable half-yearly, be granted in aid of the Ontario, Simcoe, and Huron Union Railroad Company on the conditions set forth in the second clause of the Report No. 21 of the Standing Committee of Finance and Assessment; and in order to extend the benefits of the said railroad to all parts of the city, it be another condition of the above grant that the terminus for passenger trains shall be erected on a portion of the Market block property, now vacant, such portion to be leased to the Company at a nominal rent for 99 years, and that the line of railroad shall be carried along Palace and Front Streets to the full extent of the City Water-lots.”

The Report of the Standing Committee of Finance and Assessment referred to in the above resolution was dated 21st November, 1850, and was as follows:

“A deputation from the Board of Directors of the Toronto, Simcoe, and Lake Huron Railroad Company, consisting of Messrs. Boulton, Barrow, Capreol, and Morrison, waited on the Committee with the following proposition, viz.: to know if the Corporation would grant the sum of £25,000 to assist in completing the Toronto and Lake Huron Railroad; parties now being found willing to contract for the completion of the same in two years and a half from the present time, (21st of November, 1850.) provided the Corporation grant the above sum. The Committee are of opinion that should £25,000 be granted by the Corporation, it should be in either of the following proportions.—1st. That £25,000 be granted to assist in completing the said road, advanced as follows: £12,500 when £75,000 are expended and the remaining £12,500 when £150,000 are expended. 2nd. In the proportion as the work progresses as one is to ten £100,000 to be expended on the road before any advance is made by the Corporation; then Debentures to be issued