

Annual Report of the Quebec Board of Trade, 1878.

The Council beg to submit the following Report for the past year :

LINE OF ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH ON THE SOUTH SHORE OF
THE RIVER ST. LAWRENCE.

Your Council are pleased to report, that after much negotiation, their efforts towards obtaining the completion of the line of Electric Telegraph between Matane and Fox River, have been successful.

The Dominion Government having recently granted the sum of five thousand dollars, in addition to their former vote of ten thousand dollars. The Montreal Telegraph Company have undertaken the construction of the line, and it is expected it will be in operation early in the Fall.

FOG WHISTLE ON THE ISLAND OF LANGLEY, PETIT
MIQUELON.

The action of your Council as reported last year in reference to the above subject, has been followed up, and they have recently received from the Minister of Marine and Fisheries, copy of a note received through the Foreign Office, addressed by the Marquis de Banneville to Lord Lyons, stating that the attention of the French Minister of Marine has been again called to the subject.

UNPREPAID LETTERS.

This subject has again been brought under the notice of the Dominion Government, and it is hoped that such amendments may be adopted, as may obviate the unnecessary and damaging delays which frequently occur, (especially on mariner's letters from the lower St. Lawrence and Gulf,) under the working of the existing law exacting compulsory prepayment of letters.

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