

3.—He gives to the MacFarlane contract an erroneous interpretation, by alleging that MacFarlane had a right to all the subsidies, whereas a portion of the subsidies had not even been voted at the time of the signing of this contract.

4. He endeavors to throw upon the Company the responsibility for the strike which occurred on the MacFarlane works, when this latter person was the only one in default.

5.—He relies upon the false statements of several proprietors, to assert that the Company took possession of their lands contrary to law; and he does this without giving the Company an opportunity of proving the falsity of those assertion.

6.—He sets forth the question of the Maria Station in an incomplete manner, leaving out certain important facts which lead to conclusions opposed to those of his report.

7.—He concludes by insinuating that the Company compelled its contractor Mr Armstrong to pay it a rather heavy percentage on the subsidies granted by the two Governments; and in order to sustain this assertion he falsifies the date of the Armstrong contract, without giving a shadow of proof for what he advances.

8.—This report, based upon irregular proceedings, is an unjustifiable attack upon the Company, to whom opportunity has been refused of being heard in the matter, and of contesting the erroneous or incomplete declarations accompanying it.

9.—This report, dated 26th of February last, was only forwarded to the Company on the 11 th of November last, notwithstanding the oft repeated requests by the Company to obtain it sooner.

The Company desires to protest firmly and respectfully against proceedings, whose object would appear to be, from the beginning, the causing of embarrassment to it of such a nature as to delay its operations, in order to justify the demand which is now made for the annulling of its Charter.

Whilst sincerely regretting the difficulties which have arisen during the building of its road, this Company believes that it has fulfilled its part of the obligations.

And it submits with confidence to Your Honor the present memorial in justification of its conduct.

(Signed) L. A. ROBITAILLE,

*Secretary-Treasurer*

(Signed) L. J. RIOPEL,

*Managing Director*

*of the Company*

Quebec, 30th december, 1890.