

CORRESPONDENCE, &c., RELATING TO PAYMENTS ON ACCOUNT OF SUBSIDY AND  
ADVANCES ON RAILS.

*Re Subsidy, Central Section, on 108 miles, from Portage la Prairie westwards, and 53½ miles, from Winnipeg to Portage la Prairie—Total 161½ miles.*

MONTREAL, 25th November, 1881.

SIR,—I have the honor, acting under the instructions of the Board of Directors of this Company, to transmit herewith a certificate of the General Superintendent in charge of construction in the North-West, to the effect that there have been constructed, from the Town of Portage la Prairie in a westerly direction, 108 miles of the main line of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

With my letter of the 4th instant I transmitted a similar certificate, covering a distance of 88 miles westward from Portage la Prairie. The certificate now sent, therefore, includes the said 88 miles, which will leave a balance of 20 miles, the construction of which was not hitherto been certified to.

I am instructed to state that the said 20 miles of railway, being a part of the Central Section as described in Section 8 of the charter of the Company, have been completed so as to admit of the running of regular trains thereon, and have such equipment as is required for the traffic thereon.

And I beg respectfully to request that the subsidies in money and land applicable thereto may be paid and granted to the Company as follows:—In money, \$200,000; in land, 250,000 acres.

And with respect to the land as earned on account of the said 20 miles, I am directed respectfully to repeat the suggestion made in my letter of the 4th instant, namely, that the lands to be conveyed to the Company may be selected from the uneven numbered sections, fairly fit for settlement, lying within the 24 mile belt on each side of the main line of railway and of the Winnipeg and Pembina Mountain Branch, commencing with those nearest the point of beginning of the Central Section at Winnipeg not already set aside for the Company or otherwise disposed of.

I have the honor to be, Sir, your obedient servant,

C. DRINKWATER, *Secretary.*

Hon. Secretary of State.

This is to certify that there have been constructed from the Town of Portage la Prairie, in a westerly direction, one hundred and eight miles of the railway, the construction of which was contracted for as stated in the schedule to the Act incorporating the Canadian Pacific Railway Company.

That the said one hundred and eight miles of railway have been completed so as to admit of the running of regular trains thereon, and have such equipment as is required for the traffic thereon.

Given under my hand this seventeenth day of November, A.D. 1881.

A. B. STICKNEY, Gen. Supt. West Division C. P. R. Co.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY,

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY, MONTREAL, 4th January, 1882.

SIR,—I have the honor acting under instructions of the Board of Directors of this Company, to state that in addition to the mileage on account of which subsidies have already been applied for, there have been constructed from the City of Winnipeg in a westerly direction towards Portage la Prairie, 53½ miles of the main line of the Canadian Pacific Railway, that the said 53½ miles of railway being part of the Central Section as described in clause eight of the Company's charter, have been completed so as to admit of the running of regular trains thereon, and have such equipment as is required for the traffic thereon. And I am instructed respectfully to request that the