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Alberni and Cowichan Ry.—A. C. Rhinehart, Big Woods, Minn.; J. and L. Thompson, Victoria, B.C., are applying at the current session of the B.C. Legislature for an act incorporating a company with this title to construct a railway from near Sarita townsite, on the Alberni canal, by way of Nit-Nat Valley, to Cowichan lake, thence to Cowichan bay, on the east coast of Vancouver island, or by any other more feasible route. (Jan., pg. 9.)

Atlantic, Quebec and Western Ry.—Application will be made next session of the Dominion Parliament for an act extending the time within which the first 20 miles of this line, from Paspebiac to Gaspé Basin, Que., may be built. Paspebiac is the terminus of the Atlantic and Lake Superior Ry., which connects with the Intercolonial Ry. at Matapédia, 100 miles distant. The principal line of the A.Q. and W. Ry. will extend from Gaspé Basin through the centre of Gaspé county to the Intercolonial Ry. near Causapscal. (Dec., 1903, pg. 422.)

Bay of Quinte Ry.—At the last sitting of the Railway Committee of the Privy Council an application was made to permit the B. of Q. Ry. to cross the C.P.R. tracks at Tweed, Ont., on the level, on putting in and maintaining the necessary safety appliances. The matter came before the new Board of Railway Commissioners Feb. 16, and was adjourned for the attendance of engineers. (Dec., 1903, pg. 422.)

Beersville Coal and Ry. Co.—The railway connecting the Imperial Coal Co.'s mines at Beersville with Adamsville, N.B., on the Intercolonial Ry., has been completed and placed in operation. The directors and other officials of the B.C. & Ry. Co., and of the Imperial Coal Co. paid a visit of inspection to the railway and mines Feb. 4. (Jan., pg. 1.)

Berlin, Waterloo, Wellesley and Lake Huron Ry.—Application will be made next session of the Dominion Parliament for an act authorizing the construction of an extension of this projected line from Wellesley field, on Lake Huron. Power will also be sought to acquire other steam or electric lines either by lease or purchase. C. R. Hanning, Preston, Ont., is secretary. (Dec., '03, pg. 423.)

Brantford and Erie Ry. (Electric).—Application is being made at the current session of the Ontario Legislature for an act incorporating a company with this title to construct a line from Brantford, via Waterford

and Simcoe to Port Dover with a loop line from Waterford via Delhi and Lynedoch to Simcoe. R. A. Dickson, Delhi, Ont., is solicitor for the applicants.

Brantford and Hamilton Ry. (Electric).—Application will be made next session of the Dominion Parliament for an act incorporating a company to construct a railway from Brantford to Hamilton, Ont., via Ancaster. Wallace & Little, Woodstock, Ont., are solicitors for the promoters. This application is understood to be in the interests of the Von Echa Co., which at present controls the



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Brantford St. Ry., the Woodstock, Thames Valley and Ingersoll Electric Ry., and the Grand Valley Ry.

B.C. Mono-rail Ry.—J. H. Gray, C.E., has completed the survey for the first section of the electric railway which it is proposed to construct in British Columbia on the mono-rail system. The route surveyed is from Kaslo up the south fork of Kaslo river to its junction with the north fork. Arrangements for the construction of this section are expected to be completed early in the spring. (Jan., pg. 1.)

Brockville, Westport and Northwestern Ry.—A committee has under consideration the question of the extension of the line from its present terminus northerly, but nothing of a definite nature has been announced. The work to be done on the line between Brockville and Westport, Ont., is in the nature of ballasting (Dec., 1903, pg. 423.)

Campbellford, Lake Ontario and Western Ry.—Application will be made next session of the Dominion Parliament for an act incorporating a company with power to construct a line from between Blairton and Ivanhoe, on the C.P.R. Toronto-Montreal line, south-westerly to Cobourg, thence to the C.P.R. Toronto-Montreal line between Locust Hill and Leaside Jct. A. B. Colville, Campbellford, Ont., is solicitor for the promoters.

Canada Atlantic Ry.—Nothing is being done in the way of making surveys for the proposed extension from near Whitney to Sault Ste. Marie, Ont. (Sept., 1903, pg. 305.)

Plans are stated to be in course of preparation for the proposed central station at Ottawa, and it is expected that matters will be so far forward that work will be started in the spring. Two sets of plans are being considered, one of which will call for the expenditure of \$75,000 more than the other. (Oct., 1903, pg. 340.)

Cape Breton Coal, Iron and Ry. Co.—T. Lancaster, Manager of the Company, of New York, was recently in Sydney, N.S., looking over the route for the projected electric railway from Sydney to Mira bay, about four miles, with a view to the early starting of construction. (Aug., 1903, pg. 267.)

Cardiff Ry.—Application will be made next session of the Dominion Parliament for an act enabling the Company to acquire by purchase or lease the undertaking, franchises and assets of the United Gold Fields of B.C., and to pay for the same in paid-up shares of the Cardiff Ry. Co., or the West Canadian Collieries (Ltd.). Power is also sought for an extension of the time for the commencement and completion of the Company's undertaking. (July, 1903, pg. 233.)

See also United Gold Fields of B.C. (Ltd.), and West Canadian Collieries (Ltd.)

Central Ontario Counties Ry.—Application will be made next session of the Dominion Parliament for an act incorporating a company with this title to construct a railway from the C.P.R. Montreal-Toronto line, near Ivanhoe, Ont., through the counties of Hastings, Northumberland, Durham, Ontario and York to Agincourt, also on the C.P.R. Montreal-Toronto line. Chrysler & Bethune, Ottawa, are solicitors for the applicants.