

Q. Are there any bodies of water besides Manitou running down to Rainy Lake that are not shown on the plan?—Not that I am aware of.

Q. How high do those bays run up?—I did not survey them; of course it is only guess work, but I should say probably eight or ten miles.

Q. Farther in than is shown on the plan?—Yes.

Q. Do you know that to be a fact?—Yes; judging from what I could see going up in a canoe. I would not speak of it unless I was perfectly confident that the bay existed.

Q. Did you cross Rainy Lake a dozen times and penetrate into the interior of that country?—Yes; more than that. I have been up there since 1875, three or four times a season.

Q. Are there any deep ravines running up from Rainy Lake?—Yes; as far as I can judge from the west shore, it is a very high country. You can see the high ranges running. It is a *bolé* country which you can see very well, as you coast along the shore, ten miles south of the Manitou Rapids.

Q. Are they rocky ravines?—There are very high ranges running north and south there.

Q. Do the ravines terminate in Rainy Lake?—Yes; I believe so.

Q. Were you on that line that Mr. Garden surveyed from Sturgeon Falls?—No; not from Sturgeon Falls. I have not been on Garden's line from Sturgeon Falls to Manitou Lake.

Q. Were you on the portion further west?—Yes; I was on the portion west of Manitou Lake to Lake of the Woods. I traversed all the lakes on the plan, from Manitou River to White Fish Bay.

Q. Which is the better country, on the north or on the south, north-west or south-west of that chain of lakes, for the railway?—The country improves as you go north of that; it is all very rough.

Q. Have you been through between that chain of lakes and this proposed line of Mr. Dawson's?—No.

Q. How far to the south-west of that chain of lakes you speak of, have you been?—I coasted along by Sabascong Bay, and crossed Turtle Portage, and explored the country there for timber. I coasted from Turtle Portage towards the Narrows of the Lake of the Woods. I have been in the country several miles east and west of Turtle Portage. It is a very high rolling country.

Q. What do you mean by a high country?—A country going from about 100 to 250 and 300 feet above the level of the water.

Q. Is that the general character of that country?—It is the general character along there.

Q. Did you take the levels?—No; I speak merely from observation.

Q. Do these elevations rise perpendicularly?—Some places they do; as a rule they rise perpendicularly.

Q. Have you gone up to the crossing known as the crossing at the Narrows?—Yes; the first time I was there was in 1875, and I have been there frequently since.

Q. Were you ever there with any engineers with a view of finding a crossing there?—I went there with Mr. Hazlewood, the District Engineer in charge of the works from Thunder Bay.

Q. Did you go there for the purpose of seeing the crossing for railway purposes?—Yes. The Islands do not seem to be laid down correctly in Dawson's plan at all. There are no such islands there as are represented in the position he represents them. Mr. Dawson has got a cluster of islands between the main shore and the islands which we saw. We could not find any such cluster of islands as he has laid down in his plan.

Q. Did you look for them?—Yes; we went there specially to look for them.

Q. What is the gap of water you found there?—We did not measure it; but I should say it is fully half a mile at the narrowest point.

Q. Do you know the depth of water?—No; we never took any soundings.

Q. Is it deep or shoal water?—It is deep water.