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The Governor General communicates to THE HOUSE OF COMMONS Copy of a Charter granted by him to a body of Canadian capitalists, for the construction of the Pacific Railway, together with the papers and correspondence relating to that subject.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

OTTAWA, 13th March, 1873.

MONTREAL, June 21st, 1872.

SIR:—I have the honor to inform you that the Provisional Directors of the Canadian Pacific Company, held a meeting, after due notice, on Wednesday, the 19th of June, instant, at which Sir Hugh Allan was appointed President, Mr. Donald McInnes, Vice-President, and myself Secretary of the Provisional Board.

I have also the honor to state, by direction of the Board, that the Canada Pacific Railway Company is desirous of entering into an agreement with the Government under the statute respecting the Canadian Pacific Railway Company recently passed, and will feel honored by any communication from the Government on the subject.

I have, &c.,

(Signed,) E. LEF. DE BELLEFEUILLE,
Secretary.

The Honorable J. C. AIKINS,
Secretary of State, &c., &c., &c.,
Ottawa.

CANADA PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.,
MONTREAL, 3rd July, 1872.

SIR,—I am directed by the President and Provisional Directors of the Canada Pacific Railway Company, to inform you that at a meeting of the Provisional Board held yesterday, the second instant, in Montreal, under the Presidency of Sir Hugh Allan, I was instructed to write to the Government of the Dominion of Canada, to inform them that the Canada Pacific Railway Company is disposed and ready to undertake the building of the Canadian Pacific Railway, on the terms and conditions contained in the act respecting the Canadian Pacific Railway passed at the last session of the Parliament of Canada.

I have, &c.,

E. LEF. DE BELLEFEUILLE,
Secretary.

The Honorable J. C. AIKINS,
Secretary of State, &c., &c., Ottawa.