

considerable discussion the following motion was moved and carried :—

"That this Board, with pleasure accepts the invitation to attend the Grand Forks Convention, but that the members attending do so in their individual capacity; and this Board, as a Board, shall not in any way be bound by the expressions of opinion of any of the members."

The Convention was duly held, but no members of the Board attended as representing the Board.

HARVEST EXCURSIONS.

At the last Annual Meeting a resolution was passed, thanking the Canadian Pacific Railway Company for the assistance tendered the Province in arranging excursions from Eastern Canada for farm hands, to assist in harvesting the heavy grain crop of 1891. Mr. Van Horne replied :—

6th FEBRUARY, 1892.

DEAR SIR—

I beg to acknowledge with much gratification, and many thanks, the resolution of the Winnipeg Board of Trade concerning this Company's action in assisting in providing the necessary farm hands to take care of the immense wheat crop of the Canadian North-west. I feel sure that the finding of enough men to take care of the crops will be the greatest difficulty Manitoba will have to face in the future, and nothing will give us so much pleasure as helping to overcome it.

Yours very truly,

W. C. VANHORNE.

Excursions were again arranged last autumn, and enabled a large number of farm hands to arrive here to work in the grain fields.

CHATTEL MORTGAGES AND LIEN NOTES.

The Council appointed a committee to consider and report on any changes required in the "Bills of Sale" and Lien Note Acts. The committee's report, as amended and adopted at meetings of the Council and full Board was :

WINNIPEG, 17th January, 1893.

"Your Committee appointed 19th December, 1892, to enquire into 'The General Question of Chattel Mortgages and Liens as