posed agreement contains the terms of the franchise, which is limited to 21 years.

Toronto and Scarboro' Ry .- The present line which extends from the Woodbine racetrack, Toronto, to the Halfway House, is to be extended for a distance of five miles to Highland Creek. The present line will be thoroughly repaired and improved. Work will probably be started next spring. Some questions connected with the franchise are in course of settlement with the Scarboro' township council.

Trans-Canada Ry.—Subsidies at the rate of \$3,200 a mile were voted at the recent session of the Dominion Parliament for the following lines: from Roberval, westward to James bay, 60 miles, in lieu of that voted in 1901; and a new subsidy for a further distance of 40 miles towards James bay. (Sept., 1903, pg. 307.)

Trois Pistoles to Renouf Falls.—At the last session of the Dominion Parliament a subsidy of \$3,200 a mile was voted towards the construction of 2½ miles of line from near the bridge at River Trois Pistoles, on the I.C.R., southeasterly to Mackenzie and Renouf Falls.

Vancouver. Westminster, Northern and Yukon Ry.—We were recently advised that it was expected to complete tracklaying on the line from New Westminster to Vancouver, B.C., so as to be able to connect with the Government bridge over the Fraser river, about Jan. 1. When this connection is made trains will be run from Port Guichon to Vancouver. At Port Guichon the ferry service to and from Victoria will connect with the train service. Surveys are in progress for the proposed branch from Bayside to New Westmin-The completion of that line will shorten the trip between New Westminster and Vancouver by about 20 miles. The Company has also filed plans for a branch of its line to the Hastings mill on Coal harbor, and another to north Vancouver, crossing Burrard inlet at the second narrows, but work has not yet been commenced on either of them. (Oct., 1903, pg. 347.)

Vancouver and Coast Kootenay Ry .-Replying to a question in the B.C. Legislature Dec. 10, the Commissioner of Lands and Works stated that the company had not made the deposit required by its act of incorpora-tion, and that it had not commenced work. (Aug., 1903, pg. 269.)

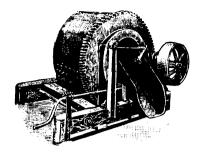
Wabash Rd .- Negotiations are in progress between officers of the Wabash Rd. and the city councils of St. Thomas, Chatham and other points in Ontario, with a view to the location of the shops which it is proposed to start for the repair, etc., of the rolling stock used by the Company in Canada.

Windsor, Essex and Lake Shore Rapid Ry. Co. (Electric).—A 50-year franchise has been granted by the Windsor city council to this company. (Nov., 1902, pg. 387.)

Winnipeg and Stony Mountain Ry.--The Winnipeg board of works recently ordered extensive repairs to be made to the spur line to the quarries owned by the city. An engineer from the city engineering department reported that the roadbed required ballasting, 20 per cent. of the ties needed renewing, and that heavier rails were necessary to carry the increasing traffic. (April, 1903, pg.

Winnipeg Electric Street Ry .- During the past year the Company has extended its Portage avenue line to the city limits, and for a distance of 31/2 miles beyond to Sturgeon Creek, and a service was placed in operation over it Dec. 2. The C.P.R. has consented to the construction of a subway under its tracks where they cross Portage avenue, and the Railway Committee of the Privy Council has approved of the same, subject to an agreement with the city. There has also

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