MR. PARADIS STATEMENT.

grounds of the upper St. Lawrence and a favourite place for sportsmen.

These boats touch also at different places on the South Shore. They make 2 trips each way a week; but as they can leave only at near high water, on account of the wharves not being built to deep water, they prove a great inconvenience to the *habitants*, and the North Shore Railway must eventually cut off a good deal of their traffic.

In the spring and fall months, they each carry (according to the best information), 12 or 15 car loads of freight, up and down. The number of passengers are on an average, 95. During summer months, the freight averages, 5 to 6 car loads.

This concludes my report, according with the instructions I received from you on the 15th ultimo, and hoping it will meet with your approval,

I remain, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

O. E. PARADIS.

To Gen. SILAS SEYMOUR, Engineer in Chief, N. S. Railway. $\mathbf{23}$