

Annual Report of the Council of the Quebec Board of Trade FOR THE YEAR 1879.

The Council beg to submit the following Report of their labors during the past year.

COTEAU BRIDGE ACROSS THE RIVER ST. LAWRENCE.

An application having been made to the Dominion Parliament "to amend the Act incorporating the Coteau and "Province Line Railroad and Bridge Company, and "Montreal and City of Ottawa Junction Railway Company, "and amending Acts, and to amalgamate the said Companies," whereby the construction of a Bridge across the River St. Lawrence, at the Coteau Landing was contemplated, your Council being of opinion that the erection of such a structure would endanger the safety of the navigation of the River St. Lawrence, and seriously prejudice the carrying trade of the Dominion, took an early occasion to Petition Government that the Bill might not become law; and subsequently, on hearing that efforts were again on foot to carry the measure, addressed His Excellency the Governor-General, praying that he might be pleased to refuse his sanction to any measures in the direction indicated.

A Petition was also presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Quebec, praying him to use his influence in strengthening the hands of your Council in the premises.

QUEBEC, MONTREAL, OTTAWA AND OCCIDENTAL RAILWAY.

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