2nd. Commencing at Halifax and running to Truro at the head of the Bay of Fundy, thence over the Cumberland Mountains to Amherst, then along the coast from Bay Verte to Shediac, thence by a north-westerly course, crossing the Rivers Richibucto and Miramichi above the flow of the tide, so as not to interfere with the navigation.

Then by the valley of the north-western Miramichi to Bathurst, on the Bay Chaleur, along the coast of this Bay to the Restigouche River, and by it and the valley of the River Matapediac to the St. Lawrence, and by the right bank of the St.

Lawrence to Quebec.

The distance by this route would be as follows:

	Miles.
Halifax to Truro,	55
Truro to Amherst and Bay Verte,	69
Bay Verte to Shediac,	26
Shediac to Miramichi River.	74
Miramichi River to Bathurst.	56
Bathurst to Eel River, near Dalhousie,	48
Dalhousie to the mouth of the Matapediac River,	30
Matapediac River to the mouth of the Naget River, near the St. L.	awrence, 86
Along the St. Lawrence from this point to Quebec,	191
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Total distance by this route,	635

The route No. 3, is termed the "direct route," and is thus described:

3rd. Commencing at the harbour of Whitehaven, near Canso, at the northeastern extremity of Nova Scotia, thence along the Atlantic coast to Country Harbour and valley of the River of St. Mary, thence by or near to Pictou and along the northern shore to Bay Verte.

From Bay Verte to or near to the Bend of Petiteodiac, thence across to Boiestown, and northerly to the Restigouche River, crossing it several miles to the east of the Grand Falls.

From thence by the most direct and practicable course to the Trois Pistoles River, and along the right bank of the St. Lawrence to Quebec.

The distance by this route would be nearly as follows:

	Miles.
Whitehaven to Country Harbour,	40
Country Harbour to St. Mary's Valley and Pictou,	64
Pictou and along the coast to Bay Verte,	77
Bay Verte to Bend of Petitcodiac,	40 -
Petitcodiac to Boiestown,	80
Boiestown to the crossing of the Restigouche River,	115
Restigouche River to Trois Pistoles, by the Kedgwick and Rimouski Va	llies, 105
Along the St. Lawrence to Quebec,	131
Total distance from Whitehaven by Boiestown to Quebec.	652

The 4th route is formed by combining the Halifax route through Nova Scotia, with the direct route through New