WINDSOR AND ANNAPOLIS RAILWAY, Kentville, 14th August, 1871.

To THE HON. JOHN A. BECKWITH,
Provincial Secretary of New Brunswick, &c., &c.,
Fredericton.

I have the honor to enclose you herein, for the information of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, copies of letters which I have this day addressed, on behalf of the Windsor and Annapolis Railway Company, to the representatives of the Governments of Canada, and of the Province of Nova Scotia, from which you will observe that among other propositions it has been proposed, conditionally, upon a suitable annual grant being made to the Company, to put on a line of first class ocean-going Clyde-built steamers between St. John and Annapolis, and to run the same at least once a day, each way, in connection with express trains between Halifax and Annapolis; the result of which will be to place St. John within 8½ hours of Halifax, with a regular daily means of communication.

Upon the assumption that this proposition will find favor with the Government of New Brunswick, I venture to hope that His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor in Council will see fit to concur with the Governments of Canada and Nova Scotia in making such grant to the Company, to the extent of £2,500, Sterling, per annum.

As the Special Commissioner of the Company, I am or a visit to this country, solely with the view of adjusting the several matters in which the Company are interested, and I venture, therefore, to ask that the subject may have the early consideration of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

I shall have pleasure in attending in person upon you or the Council, should such be necessary.

I have the honor to be, Sir, Your obedient servant,

(Signed) J. A. MANN,

Commissioner and Attorney

Of the Windsor and Annapolis Ry. Co., Limited.