CANADIAN PACIFIC SITUATION.

I am pleased to learn that there is strong probability of the Town and Company coming to some amicable arrangement about the so long-disputed tax question. This shold be settled once and for all; in no case is the saying probably more applicable, that "short accounts make long friends."

FISHERIES.

I understand that the exports have been quite equal to last year and that fully as many men, boats, and steamers continue to be prefitably employed. The shipments, as usual, continue to be made chiefly to the United States. The facilities for prompt delivery to Duluth have been better than ever before,

BOARD QUARTERS.

Some effort should be made to have commodious quarters for the Board. A scheme, whether to own or rent a building, could be easily formulated; and a permanent exhibit of our productions, whether timber, mineral or agricultural, should be established for the purpose of drawing the attention of capitalists to the chances for profitable investments.

It may be said that some of the subjects herein mentioned are of a more comprehensive character than would naturally engage your attention; but an analysis of the questions will show that they are matters of the utmost importance to not only the members of this Board, but to every resident of the Algoma District.

I have the Honor to be.

Gentlemen,

Your Obedient Servant,

THOS, MARKS,

President.

Port Arthur, Jan. 31, 1889