

a course which is marked by injustice and cannot but prove injurious in the end to the best interests of the Dominion, shall or shall not be pursued.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J. HICKSON,
General Manager

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY OF CANADA,

General Manager's Office,

MONTREAL, 26th April 1883.

To The Right Honorable

SIR JOHN A. MACDONALD, K.C.B. &c., &c., &c.

Ottawa,

SIR,

I feel it incumbent upon me to again address you upon the subject of my letter dated 24th instant, in consequence of the views expressed by the Honorable Minister of Railways when the second reading of a bill respecting the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, was moved on the 24th instant.

The Honorable Minister is reported in the press to have said that the Government approved the lease in perpetuity of the Credit Valley and Ontario & Quebec Railways to the Canadian Pacific Company; that it was of the greatest importance that the North-west should have the advantage of the fullest competition with the great commercial centres of Canada—Montreal, Toronto, Hamilton and other parts of Ontario—and that the Government believed the public interest would be promoted rather than injured by the adoption of the proposal contained in the Bill.