

The County of Bedford Good Roads Association also passed the following resolution :

"That this Association desires to express its warm approval of the policy of the Provincial Government in aiding county municipalities to purchase stone-breakers, together with its firm hope that the county councils of this district will hasten to avail themselves of the generous offer of the Government."

We might cite over a hundred certificates to throw into still greater relief the happy effects of the policy inaugurated in 1897. The official reports bristle with them. We shall only give a few culled at hazard from page 301 of the report of 1899 :—

ARTHIABASKA,

The ratepayers are well satisfied with the work done by this machine.

ARGENTEUIL.

St. Andrew's.—Since its purchase, our machine has gone three times over a good part of the length of road repaired.

BAGOT.

St. Simon.—The ratepayers of St. Simon were given to criticize when our machine was purchased, the fall of 1897 having been so dry. But in the spring of 1898, when they had an opportunity to realize the efficiency of the instrument, they declared themselves satisfied, at least the majority of them did so. This machine works very well.

St. André d'Acton.—This machine has given much satisfaction, and the council is well satisfied with its purchase.

BEAUCE.

East Broughton.—This machine is very useful to this parish. It has put an end to the old custom of working on the roads, each in his own way.