

Inspection of Cattle.

take a special interest in this question, that we have the most absolute assurances from you of the rigorous observance of the regulations by officers and employees of your company; and I feel sure that a communication of the facts in this letter to you will be of a nature to move you to increase, if possible, the rigour of the surveillance.

Believe me, etc., yours truly,

J. LOWE,

Secretary of Department of Agriculture.

DETROIT, MICH., 2nd Nov., 1887.

(At Chicago)—*Live Stock Traffic.*

W. WAINWRIGHT Esq., Montreal, Que.

DEAR SIR,—You will see from the inclosed report that our live stock traffic will be killed if arrangements cannot be made to prevent delay at the frontier for inspection purposes.

May I ask you to take it up with the department at Ottawa, and if possible get them to order the inspection to be done as soon as the stock arrives from Chicago.

If the Grand Trunk through you make the request, I have no doubt the necessary permission will be granted.

Please advise me as soon as practicable.

Yours truly,

W. J. SPICER,

General Manager, C. & G. T. R.

CHICAGO, ILL., 1st November, 1887.

W. J. SPICER, Esq., General Manager.

DEAR SIR,—Referring to the inclosed from Mr. McFadyean, you will notice that our route is virtually closed for live stock between the hours of 4 o'clock in the evening and 6 o'clock in the morning. Live stock cannot be shipped from Chicago before 11 a.m. and should arrive at Fort Gratiot about two or three o'clock in the morning.

I wonder if arrangements could not be made with the Dominion government to allow this through stock to be inspected or passed when it arrives, no matter at what hour.

If something of this kind cannot be done we may as well give up soliciting for the traffic.

Yours truly,

G. B. REEVE, *Traffic Manager.*

POINT EDWARD, ONT., 26th October, 1887.

American Express "Live Stock."

G. B. REEVE, Esq., Traffic Manager.

DEAR SIR,—Train out of Chicago yesterday was reported as leaving Elsdon at 12.30, noon, and was expected to make Fort Gratiot about 2 a.m. although it was some hours later than that in reaching there. Although I have no official advice from any source, I hear it talked of that it is hoped a regular line will be established, or is already established, for this traffic. My object in writing is to say that stock should be started from Chicago no sooner than, with the ordinary time expected to be made, it will reach Fort Gratiot only between the hours of 6 a.m. and 4 p.m. central time. It cannot go east from here without being passed and inspected by the Dominion veterinary surgeon, and such inspection can only be made during daylight. You will thus see that there is no use bringing the stock to the river to be delayed several hours for inspection.

Yours truly,

J. McFADYEAN.