

During the summer and autumn of 1851, the entire line on the Eastern and Western Divisions, was carefully surveyed, in order that no delay might occur when the Company had effected their financial arrangements for commencing and completing the whole road.

The Engineer department of the line now consists of the Chief Engineer, Associate Engineer, nine resident Engineers, eighteen Assistant Engineers, seven Draftsmen, two Office Clerks, and the usual number of Rod and Tapemen for each Assistant.

An Assistant and party are stationed at the following points:—Stamford, St. Catharines, Grimsby, Stoney Creek, Hamilton, Dundas, Fairchild's Creek, Galt, Paris, Eastwood, Ingersoll, Hoffman's, London, Wardsville, Thamesville, Chatham Light-house and Windsor. Two or three additional parties may be required after the 1st of July, until the 1st of January next. The Draftsmen are employed at Hamilton, where all of the plans and maps are made.

In addition to the above Engineering force, two Land Surveyors, with parties, have been in the field obtaining and defining boundaries. Maps of the different Townships through which the line runs from Niagara River to Chatham, have been completed, to place on file in the offices of the County Registrars, showing the width of land taken on each lot—the number of the lot—the concession, and the name of the owner.

The surveys, for the remaining Townships, from Chatham to Windsor, are now completed, and the maps will be made forthwith.

By resolution of your Board, passed in April last, all of the bridges and culverts on the road, from the Niagara River to Woodhull's Creek, west of London, a distance of one hundred and twenty-eight miles, are being constructed for a double track; those already built can be enlarged without material additional expense, when required.