

The Newfoundland Railway.

The Premier of Newfoundland has been negotiating with R. G. Reid with a view to arriving at an understanding respecting their respective rights under the several contracts as to railways, telegraphs and land entered into between the contractor and the Government. The Premier, on behalf of the Government, asks :—That the telegraphs shall go back at once to the Government; that the land grants, which include a large amount of private property, shall be readjusted so as to conserve the rights of those whose holdings have been confiscated; and that it shall be optional for the colony to take over the railways at the end of 50 years, by paying back \$1,000,000 with interest, the amount paid by Mr. Reid to the colony for the road, and a sum to be arrived at by arbitration for all improvements that may have been made on the property within the 50 years.

Mr. Reid has expressed his willingness to give back the telegraph lines, and give title to squatters located on doubtful claims, but asks \$300,000 to build stations along the line. Nothing of a definite nature was arrived at, and it is understood that the whole of the questions involved will form the subject of legislation during the coming session.

The South Ontario Pacific Ry. Co., by legislation at the present session of the Dominion Parliament, has the time within which it may construct the lines authorized by its charter extended for five years.

Current Dominion Legislation.

The following acts have been assented to this session :—

Grand Trunk act to confirm agreement with the Cincinnati, Saginaw and Milwaukee Ry. Co.

Grand Trunk act to confirm agreement with the Chicago and G.T. Ry. Co.

Respecting the Orford Mountain Ry. Co.

Respecting the South Ontario Pacific Ry. Co.

The following bills have passed the House of Commons and the Senate :—

Respecting the British Columbia Southern Ry. Co.

Respecting the Edmonton, Yukon and Pacific Ry. Co.

Respecting the Great North-West Central Ry. Co.

Respecting the Hudson's Bay and Pacific Ry. Co.

Respecting the Klondike Mines Ry. Co.

Respecting the Nakusp and Slocan Ry. Co.

Respecting the Niagara, St. Catharines and Toronto Ry. Co.

Respecting the Guelph Junction Ry. Co.

The following bills are before the House of Commons or the Senate in various stages of progress :—

To incorporate the Alaska and North-Western Ry. Co. (Senate bill.)

To incorporate the Alberta Central Ry. Co.

Respecting the Alberta Ry. and Coal Co.

Respecting the Algoma Central Ry. Co., and to change its name to "The Algoma Central and Hudson's Bay Ry. Co."

To incorporate the Algoma Iron and Nickel Steel Co. of Canada.

Respecting applications for railway charters. (Senate bill.)

To incorporate the Arnprior and Pontiac Ry. Co.

Respecting the Atlantic and Lake Superior Ry. Co.

Respecting the Bell Telephone Co. of Canada. (Senate bill.)

Respecting the Bell Telephone Co. of Canada. (Toronto Corporation bill.)

Respecting the British America Assurance Co.

Respecting the British Yukon Co.

To incorporate the Canada National and Transport Ry. Co.

Respecting the Canadian Northern Ry. Co.

Respecting the Columbia and Kootenay Ry. and Navigation Co.

Respecting the Columbia and Western Ry. Co.

Respecting the land grant of the C.P.R. Co.

Respecting the C.P.R. Co. (Teulon branch Ry.)

Respecting the Crow's Nest Southern Ry. Co.

Respecting the Dawson City Electric Co. (Ltd.) (Senate bill.)

To incorporate the Fort Qu'Appelle Ry. Co.

To regulate freight and passenger rates on railways.

To amend the Inlands Waters Seamen's Act.

To incorporate the Interprovincial and James' Bay Ry. Co.

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