

## GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.

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LETTERS to the Right Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, K. C. B., and James Beaty, Q. C., Robert Hay and John Small, Esquires, members representing Toronto in the Dominion House of Commons.

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GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY COMPANY OF CANADA.

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*General Manager's Office,*

February 18th, 1884.

The Right Honorable

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

*Ottawa.*

Sir,

In a letter addressed to you on the 14th instant by Mr. Van Horne, the following was quoted as a cable message coming "from one of the most prominent supporters of the Grand Trunk in London."

"London, February 4th, 1884.

"Mr. [redacted] maintained opposition all Canadian Pacific and hundred securities being organized in press and other places here, on account Government monies being used to help former to compete with Grand Trunk by Ontario and Quebec. Are Pacific authorities still unwilling to enter into any arrangement with Grand Trunk for joint working of Ontario and Quebec? Think we might negotiate for joint lease. This is different to former proposal for sale of road absolutely to Grand Trunk. If reply favorable, would send out experienced man to negotiate when thought necessary."

Having made inquiries in regard to the matter, I am instructed to say to you that the Directors of this Compa-