

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.

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.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY COMPANY OF CANADA.

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-