

The first of these—that by Fort William, or what is termed the Canadian or Dawson's route—will be open for traffic by the end of May. On this, according to the Government intimation, emigrants will be forwarded from Toronto to Fort Garry at the extremely low rate of \$30, and freight at a correspondingly low figure. In a great part, this route is the same as the former—from Toronto to Collingwood, by Northern Railway; thence by steamer to Fort William. Thence diverging from the former route, 40 miles by waggon road to Lake Shebandowan; and thence by boats and steamers to the North West Angle of the Lake of the Woods; and from thence, over a waggon road, to Fort Garry, a distance of between 90 and 100 miles. On this route the steam launches have already been tried, and are found to be admirably adapted to the purpose required, making some eleven miles an hour, which is a good speed for vessels of the kind. The Department of Public Works is working hard to ensure that every thing shall be in running order, and the Canadian route to Fort Garry rendered expeditious and comfortable. The Minister of Public Works has appointed Mr. Arnold mechanical superintendent of the route between Lake Superior and Red River, and a large and efficient force has already been despatched, to insure the thorough completion of the route.

The other route, that of the Lake Superior Royal Mail Line, proceeds by way of Duluth to Fort Garry, in connection with the North Pacific Railway and the steamers on Red River. As far as Duluth, we follow the same line as in route No. 1—from Collingwood by the steamers Manitoba, Cumberland and Chicora, which are intended to form a bi-weekly line between Collingwood at one extremity, and Duluth at the other—then by the Northern Pacific Railway from Duluth to Dakota City, on Red River, and thence by steamer to Fort Garry.

On the first of July, when the North Pacific Railway will be completed to Dakota City, the Company will be enabled to make connection between Toronto and Fort Garry within eight days. The price of passage for emigrants by this line, although slightly in advance of the Fort William, or Government route, will be amply compensated for in the difference in time.