

Dominion Government would grant to the railways of the Province of Quebec, in that case our Province would incur the great risk of being left with a badly arranged system; for we cannot foresee that the Local Government will ever assist this first project exclusively at the expense of one great all-uniting, all-absorbing route.

There is still time to adopt the new scheme without abandoning, on that account, the works already begun. In fact, besides the roads from St. Jérôme and Pontiac, there still remain 430 miles to be built, in order to carry out the frame-work of the first scheme. This is the length of the Maskinongé and Nipissing as far as Quebec, including the branch lines of Ste. Thérèse, St. Félix de Valois and Maskinongé.

NOTE.—The distances mentioned are taken by air line measurement on the map of the Province of Quebec, prepared for the Department of Crown Lands, by Mr. Eugène Taché, in 1880.

The Curé, F. Mondor, says: There is still much land fit for cultivation between Mattawin and St. Alexis, and everywhere timber, magnificent water-powers and mines.

REGION IN THE PRO-
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NIPISSING RAILWAY
PROJECT.

Maskinongé to Lake
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to the lower end of
Maskinongé:

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Maskinongé	20 "
St. Thérèse to	25 "
St. Félix de	20 "
St. Alexis-des-	20 "
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