

made at the coming session of the Dominion Parliament for a charter for the Kettle River Valley Railway Co., which, if granted, will divert the trade of the Boundary Creek District of British Columbia into the United States.

"And whereas, the avowed purpose of the large grant of public money in aid of the Crow's Nest Pass Railway was to conserve the trade of Southern British Columbia for Canada.

"Be it therefore resolved, that this Board re-affirms the resolution of its Council upon this subject, passed at its meeting on the 18th of March, 1898, which reads as follows:—

"Whereas, this meeting understands that the C. P. R. Company and the Kettle River Valley Company are both proposing to construct railroads into the Boundary Creek District, B. C.

"And whereas, it is the opinion of this meeting that the construction of a railway by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company will result in conserving the trade of said district for Canada.

"And whereas, it is evident that no matter for what purpose it is urged that the Kettle River Valley Company's line is to be built the result would be the taking of ores from Boundary Creek District to Northport or Spokane, U. S., for smelting, and also in supplies being taken from the United States to Canadian territory.

"Be it resolved, that this meeting recommend that, provided the Canadian Pacific Railway Company is prepared to construct a line covering practically the same ground as that of the Kettle River Valley Company's road (but not entering American territory), and on the same terms as to aid,