

Inspection of Cattle.

MONTREAL, 27th November, 1883.

JNO. LOWE, Esq.

Re Windsor matter, will come up to-morrow with papers if I can see minister and yourself, and you think it necessary.

W. WAINWRIGHT.

MONTREAL, 27th November, 1883.

JNO. LOWE, Esq.

MY DEAR SIR,—Pray read this—whither are we drifting? Is this man to run the government and the railways? Had we not better settle him and this question once and for ever? We are not disposed to be blackmailed in this manner, and the quicker he is told so the better.

I will come up if you say so.

W. WAINWRIGHT.

(Telegram.)

27th November, 1883.

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I shall be here to-morrow and I think minister. But not necessary for your coming. Will try and send you answer to-morrow.

J. LOWE,

Secretary of Department of Agriculture:

MONTREAL, 27th November, 1883.

JOHN LOWE, Esq., Ottawa, Ont.

MY DEAR SIR,—I have your message this afternoon about Dr. Wright. I send you herewith copy of his last message to Mr. Hickson. Of course, you will understand that we are not desirous of having any trouble with the cattle business through Canada, but at the same time, if this man is going to run it, we desire to know that fact from the government.

These messages and letters from this man, to my mind, are the greatest piece of blackmail I have ever been subject to, and I have told him distinctly that we only propose to deal with him through the government.

I cannot believe that the minister, whatever the results are, will tolerate such action on the part of anybody as the messages and letters received from this gentleman, and I leave it to you to say what you expect this company to do.

We shall act upon it upon hearing from you in reply to this letter.

Yours faithfully,

W. WAINWRIGHT.

WINDSOR, November, 1883.

JOS. HICKSON, Esq.,

General Manager of Grand Trunk Railway, Montreal, Que.

SIR,—Now that I am assured that Mr. Ledyard, president of the Michigan Central Railway, has read the article referred to in my despatch to you on Thursday last, 22nd instant, I now write you to say that I will not wait any later than Thursday next, the 29th instant, for the settlement of the question in dispute by the payment in cash of my demands for past services, and a satisfactory agreement for the future, when, if it is not settled, I will mail the article referred to to the English and Canadian papers, and send it in pamphlet form to the presidents of the county agriculture societies in the province of Ontario. The effects of it will be, at least I think so, to compel the Canadian government to pass an order to prohibit the transit of United States cattle through Canada, or the English government will be disposed to schedule Canadian cattle. From the first I acted honestly with the government,