

Section.		Rail- road.	Steam Navi- gation.	Rise.
	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.	Feet.
Over		55		
2. Thence along Quesnelle Lake to its south- western angle	..	..	45	level
3 From Quesnelle Lake across a slightly rolling fertile country to the mouth of Deep Creek on the Fraser, and below Soda Creek, viz.: From Quesnelle Lake W.S.W. to the Divide, near Round Tent Lake.	17	..	..	160
Thence to Deep Creek	10	..	Fall	125
Along Deep Creek west to the Frazer [1450 feet above the sea] with bridge and approaches	8½	..	..	625
				750
Thence W.S.W. across the Chilcoaten Plain to the old Fort on the Chilcoaten River	58	..	Rise	697
Thence in the same direction to the mouth of the Gap at the entrance of the Cascade Mountains on the Butte Inlet route	47	..	Rise	200
	140½	140½	..	..
Railroad	..	195½	45	897
Steam Navigation	..	45	..	..
Total Miles	..	240½	..	..
AGAINST				
1 From opposite Tête Jaune Cache to the Rapide des Fourneaux, railroad	10	..	..	..
2 Navigation on the Upper Fraser	280	..	..	..
3 From Quesnellmouth to the Gap, as above	137½	427½	..	..
Less distance	..	187	..	..

This road would pass for 40 miles over a wild, unknown, uninhabited, and very mountainous tract of country, between Quesnelle Lake and Canoe River, which would present formidable difficulties and be vastly expensive. Very different from the fertile district on the Fraser and the facilities for immediate navigation.

ALFRED WADDINGTON.

E.—ABSTRACT FROM A PETITION TO THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

The humble petition and memorial of the undersigned Alfred Waddington, sheweth: &c., &c.,

"That for the purpose (that of an Overland Communication) British Columbia is the key of the Pacific, and that unless a different policy be adopted towards that colony in future, England might be prepared to lose it; owing partly to its distance from the home country and the consequent cost of emigration, partly to its being hemmed in by the United States, but above all to the deep disaffection occasioned by misrule and