

REPORT

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June 10th, 1907.

*To His Worship the Mayor and the Common Council of the City of
Toronto:*

GENTLEMEN.—In compliance with the resolution of the Council, dated January 28th, 1907, in which the City Engineer of Toronto was authorized to retain the services of consulting engineers to act with himself, to report upon the whole question of railway transportation facilities, along the entire front of the City, extending from the Humber River or — west to the extreme limits of the City on the east, together with — alteration of the plans submitted by the railway companies of the proposed new Union Station, the various schemes of trackage and other arrangements incidental thereto, he engaged the services of Mr. Wm. Barclay Parsons of New York, and Mr. C. B. Smith of this City, and the commission thus appointed hereby submits the following report:

As soon as the formation of the Commission was determined upon, we held meetings in Toronto and jointly made an examination of the railways from the Humber River east, of the various proposed sites for the new passenger station, of the water front and streets, and the other physical conditions of Toronto, in so far as they bore upon the problems contemplated by your resolution. Subsequently Mr. Parsons had conferences with Mr. Perrin, who had been appointed by the Board of Trade to report to them on the same matters; with Mr. Francis, the Chief Engineer of Messrs. Westinghouse, Church, Kerr & Company, who had been retained by the Grand Trunk Railway Company to pre-