

The Minister therefore recommends that all public lands in the Province of Manitoba and in the North-West Territories, within twenty miles on each side of the said line of railway, be set apart for the purpose of the Canadian Pacific Railway, and be appropriated in such manner as the Dominion Government may deem advisable in furtherance of the construction of the said railway.

The Minister further recommends that the Secretary of State be authorized on behalf of this Government to inform the Government of British Columbia as to the route of the line of railway, notifying them that all public lands in the Province of Manitoba and in the North-West Territories within twenty miles on each side of the line have been set apart as above mentioned, and to request that Government, in accordance with their agreement in that behalf, to convey to the Dominion Government in trust to be appropriated in such manner as the Dominion Government may deem advisable in furtherance of the construction of the said railway, a similar extent of public lands along the line of railway throughout its entire length in British Columbia; and to be good to the Dominion from contiguous public lands the quantity of land (if any) which may be held under pre-emption right, or by Crown grant within the limits of the tract of land in British Columbia to be so conveyed to the Dominion Government.

The Committee submit the foregoing recommendations for Your Excellency's approval.

Certified, W. A. HIMS WORTH, C. P. C.  
Hon. Minister of Public Works.

OTTAWA, 20th September, 1878.

SIR,—I have the honor to transmit two copies of the plan shewing the line of the Canadian Pacific Railway through British Columbia as now defined, together with a copy of the Order in Council of the 3rd inst., setting apart a certain area of land on either side of the line throughout the Province for the purposes of the railway, and I am directed to request you to obtain from the Government of British Columbia a conveyance to the Dominion Government, in trust, of the extent of public lands mentioned in the said Order in Council.

I have the honor to be, Sir, your obedient servant,  
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Hon. R. W. SCOTT, Secretary of State, Ottawa.

DEPARTMENT OF SECRETARY OF STATE, 23rd September, 1878.

SIR,—Adverting to my letter of the 9th inst., and its accompanying copy of an Order in His Excellency the Governor General in Council of the 3rd inst., on the subject of the land in the Province of British Columbia, to be reserved for the purposes of the Canadian Pacific Railway, I have the honor to transmit to you, herewith, for the information of your Government, a copy of a letter from the Secretary of the Department of Public Works, together with plan therein referred to, shewing the line of the said railway through that Province as now defined. I have to request that a conveyance may be obtained from your Government to that of the Dominion, in trust, of the extent of public lands mentioned in the Order in Council of the 3rd instant.

I have, &c.,  
R. W. SCOTT,

To His Hon. the Lieut.-Governor of British Columbia, Victoria.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, VICTORIA, B.C., 26th Sept., 1878.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch of the 9th inst., enclosing a copy of an Order of His Excellency the Governor General in Coun-

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