

the Commission about to be sent to Canada to investigate and report on the Company's affairs, believing, as I do, that your antecedents have eminently qualified you for such a duty.

I speak with more confidence in consequence of the opportunities I had of judging of your fitness, during a journey we made, together with others, two years ago, over the country from Algiers to Oran, for the purpose of investigating and reporting upon the line of railway now in course of construction in that Colony; and from my knowledge that your statistical report on this project was highly valued by the parties who engaged you for this service.

Trusting you will be selected as one of the Commissioners,

I am, my dear Sir,

Yours very faithfully,

WILLIAM PARE, Esq.

W. H. LE FEUVRE.

No. 26

*From LAMPLUGH W. WICKHAM, Esq., Managing Partner of
the "Lowmoor Iron Company," Bradford, Yorkshire.*

Cheshant Grove,

Tadcaster, January 29th, 1861.

DEAR SIR,

Your letter of the 26th instant, informing me of your intention to become a candidate for the situation of one of an investigating Commission of the Grand Trunk Railway, only reached me this morning, and I write in very great haste to assure you that it will give me pleasure to learn that your application is successful. I feel sure, from what I saw of your business talents in connection with the affairs of Messrs. Finch and Sons, and Finch and Willey, that the Shareholders of the Grand Trunk Railway may place the greatest confidence in the due discharge of any duty that may be required from you; and I feel that they may consider themselves fortunate if they secure your services.

Believe me,

Yours very sincerely,

WILLIAM PARE, Esq.

L. W. WICKHAM.