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REPORT ON ELECTRIC AND STEAM RAILWAYS, ALSO THE MARSH
AREA, BY W. T. JENNINGS,
M.I.C.E.

Toronto, January 7th, 1903.

His Worship, the Mayor of Toronto.

SIR,—I have the honour to submit, through the City Engineer, that portion of my report dealing with "Radial and City Railways," as requested by Council on the 6th of December last.

I have further to state that the report relating to steam railways in and about Toronto, also the report relating to the Marsh area will be submitted at an early date.

I remain, sir,

Yours respectfully,

W. T. JENNINGS, M.I.C.E.

TORONTO, January 6th, 1903.

His Worship, the Mayor of Toronto.

SIR,—On the 4th of December I had the honour to attend a meeting of the Board of Control of the City of Toronto, when the proposed entrance of Suburban Railways to the City, and other transportation matters in and about Toronto, also the disposal of marsh area, were discussed and the resolution of the Council of the 20th October last as follows:

"Moved by Ald. Curry and seconded by Ald. Spence, that this Council is prepared to facilitate the entrance of radial railway lines to this City and to improve local transportation facilities, both for passengers and freight, short of surrendering franchise rights, which it holds should remain vested in the citizens of Toronto; and towards that end the Board of Control is hereby authorized to employ a competent railway engineer to report upon a comprehensive scheme which will meet all the requirements of the Corporation of the City of Toronto, the surrounding municipalities, the Toronto Street Railway, all radial lines now existing or in prospect and the steam railways centering in Toronto, and is instructed to enter into negotiations with the various corporations interested"

was placed in my hands, and I was engaged to report upon the features referred to in said resolution, also upon the arrangement of the "marsh area," with a view to the utilization of that valuable property for commercial purposes.

I beg to say that having perused the resolution and carefully considered the subject in its various features, it is expedient to divide the report into three parts:

The First—relating to Electric Suburban Railways and the City Railway.

The Second—relating to Steam Railways.

The Third—Relating to the marsh area.