APPENDIX No. 1

## No. 139a.

The following is a copy of a resolution passed by the Stratford Board of Trade at a meeting held on June 2nd, 1905:—

Whereas, it is desirable and necessary that the telephone service should be under one management and ownership in order to avoid the inconvenience and expense of two or more systems, and to ensure the full benefits of a cheap and effective service, and

Whereas, for similar reasons the telegraph service should be under like, management, and

Whereas, both the telephone and telegraph services are public utilities that are necessary to the commercial and domestic life of the whole people, and should be

furnished to them at the lowest possible cost,

It is resolved, That the Dominion government be urged to take the necessary steps to place the complete telephone service, long-distance as well as local, and also the telegraph service, for the entire Dominion, under government control and management; that the time is opportune for such action, which should be taken immediately before the situation is further complicated by the rapid growth of the Dominion, and the establishment of other companies, and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Postmaster General.

Certified.

J. STEELE,
Secretary.

## No. 140.

HEAD OFFICE, TORONTO. BRANCH OFFICES IN TORONTO, MONTREAL, VANCOUVER, HALIFAX AND QUEBEC.

## CANADIAN MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION.

(Incorporated.)

HEAD OFFICE, TORONTO, June 12, 1905.

The Rt. Hon. Sir William Mulock, K.C.M.G., Postmaster General, Ottawa.

Dear Sir,—I beg to acknowledge your favour of June 6, advising of the appointment of a committee to inquire into the various telephone systems in operation, and

asking for the views of the association upon this important question.

I beg to inform you that your letter was received with appreciation by the Parliamentary Committee of our association at the meeting held this afternoon, and I have been directed to forward copies of the same to the different branches of the association, and ask for an expression of their views. When these are received a report will be prepared and forwarded to you.

Thanking you for this opportunity, I beg to remain,

Yours very truly,

J. F. M. STEWART,, Assistant Secretary.

## No. 141.

THE SUPREME COURT, INDEPENDENT ORDER OF FORESTERS.

TORONTO, CANADA, June 10, 1905.

A. ZIMMERMAN, Esq., M.P.,

Acting Chairman, Select Committee on Telephone Systems, Ottawa, Ont.

DEAR SIR,—Upon my return from Minnesota, where I have been for the last week, I received your letter of the 6th instant, advising me that you had received the news-