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A Transcontinental Line

New York dispatches state that R. J. Hervey, the principal member of the syndicate which is building the DSS&A states that the bridge across the Sault Ste. Marie will be "open to all the railroads touching that point, and that the Brockville, Westport & Sault Ste. Marie company, which has been recently chartered, will be an extension of the former road to the St. Lawrence. Near Brockville a line will be built across the St. Lawrence, where the river is only 4,400 feet wide and connections will be built to roads now running to New York and Boston." This will give the NP a direct line to the Atlantic coast, making it a trunk line from ocean to ocean, and much shorter than any of its competitors.