

The Milwaukee and La Crosse Railroad Company, which has obtained the entire control of the land granted by Congress in aid of the road from Madison to the St. Croix, by way of Portage City, have already completed a survey over the whole distance from the latter point to Hudson, and the report is so exceedingly favorable, that there is scarcely a doubt but that the line will be located on that route.

Congress also, at its last session, granted a large amount of land to Minnesota, for the purpose of constructing a railroad, commencing at Stillwater, and running, by way of St. Paul and St. Anthony, north-westerly to the Missouri river; which becomes, in fact, an extension of five hundred miles to the Wisconsin Land Grant Road, since such is the nature of the bluffs around Stillwater, that any road from thence to St. Paul, must necessarily pass along the Lake shore opposite Hudson, where is also to be found by far the most feasible point for crossing. This road will, no doubt, be ultimately carried through to Puget's Sound, on the Pacific, and become the great thorough-fare of trade and travel between Europe and the rich and densely populated regions of "the East"—conveying the commerce of Asia by our very doors, seeking its commercial center at New York.