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The editor of *The Alliston Star*, after quoting our remarks in reference to this railway, adds:

The *Star* is right. Ever since this scheme was first mooted we held the opinion, and as freely expressed it, that should the road be ever built, the probabilities were that it should pass through Orangeville. As many of our readers are aware that there are no engineering difficulties to be encountered from Orangeville to Harris by following the flats of the Nottawasaga river, on almost a beeline, from a point not two miles from Orangeville, via Hockley to Alliston. This line would almost meet the requirements of the bond, given by Mr. Copp to the Council of Adjala, in which it is covenanted that a station of the road shall be south of lot fifteen in that township, as it would enter at Hockley, which is on lot fourteen. It is very true that this route might not suit some of the Tecumseh villages. But what of that? The men who gave the scheme such a hearty support, are not so contracted or selfish in their views, as to find fault with the best and cheapest route that can be adopted, and which would best meet the requirements of a majority of the people of the group. As we heretofore remarked, if this route be adopted the Branch Line to Collingwood will be shortened to the extent of at least eight miles.

A GREAT STORM.

A SEVERE THUNDER STORM, accompanied by hail and rain, visited Orangeville and vicinity on Saturday evening. It lasted about three hours, and presented a scene of terrific grandeur. The whole heavens seemed filled with lightning, and the incessant peals of thunder told of a fierce war among the elements. The hail, which ushered in the storm, fell in pieces about a quarter of an inch in diameter, and the rain that succeeded, was

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