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Peterborough and Chemong Railway

In 1869, after bankruptcy of the Cobourg and Peterborough Railway, its northern line intended to connect Ashburnham and Bobcaygeon, continued to operate as the Peterborough and Chemong Railway. Built in sections, it was opened to Bridgenorth Landing in 1891 by Grand Trunk President Sir Joseph Hickson, but survived only until 1904. After use until 1915 for electric locomotive tests by Canadian General Electric, it was taken up in sections and these rail sections donated to the army's Railway Corps. Its one and only manager was the Grand Trunk's District Engineer, Edmund Wragge (1837-1929), who also rebuilt the Peterborough-Lakefield line and built the Peterborough-Omemee "missing link."

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