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Editorial

From information that comes to us from the East, we are compelled to believe that the CPR has secured a controlling interest in the DSS&A, and will shortly be placed in possession of the line. It would be idle to speculate on what the effect of this thing will be on the general policy of the road, as the purpose that the purchasers had in view in getting control of this line must remain a matter of conjecture until they choose to reveal it. But it may be assumed that the company to which the road is about to pass has purchased it as a business investment, and intends to operate it on business principals, in which case its local patrons have no occasion to apprehend that the change will operate in any manner to their disadvantage. The CPR is a strong company, and enjoys the advantage of having a management that is not lacking in either ability or enterprise. In the hands of such a company the line ought to be made an important factor in the transportation business of the northwest, and the Mining Journal has faith to believe that it will be. While upon this subject, we venture to express the hope that the change in control of the road will not be followed by any general changes in the local officers of the line. As the men now in charge have acquired a familiarity with its needs and business that would not be very soon obtained by new men. They are, besides, railroad men of proud competency in their respective positions, and their retention in their present places by the new owners of the line would go a long way toward assuring people who have been as long served by it that the change about to take place would not in any manner militate against their interests..