



Over 1300 letters about train service sent to Trudeau

— Gilles Gagné

NEW CARLISLE: — As of February 1 at least 1,311 people have sent a letter to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau requesting the return of VIA Rail's passenger train.

Gaspesians working together for the future of the train, the coalition organizing the letter drive, has convinced an additional 210 people to put pressure on the Prime Minister during the last week of January. Despite, having surpassed their original goal of 1,000 letters, the three organizers of the coalition, Bernard Babin, Gilles Lamy and Anthony Bernard Prince, are pursuing the initiative, convinced that more letters can push the file faster. Meanwhile, those supporting the letter continue to post interest-

ing messages on the coalition's facebook page. Niagara Falls' Cynthia Enright, a Gaspesian native, recently said that "I think it's about time the governments involved start taking care of their Gaspé people, the tax payers, the elderly who voted them to office. It is unacceptable, keeping Gaspesians isolated from the rest of Canada. Oh yes, and VIA Rail advertising 55% off ANYWHERE in Canada is false advertising, since Gaspé has no train and the Gaspé is part of Canada. It would be even nicer to have the train to go from Matapedia to New Carlisle. It would help the people a great deal, and once all the tracks are ready, to have the train go from Matapedia to Gaspé since Gaspé does have a new station that hasn't been used yet."