

believes that the sympathetic endorsement of the movement by His Excellency will lead to the speedy establishment of the most perfect facilities for intercommunication, one great object being the diffusion of a mutual knowledge of the conditions and the aspirations of the British people in the four quarters of the globe, in view of closer friendly and permanent Imperial development.

The President and Council have the satisfaction to append an "Explanatory Note" from the writings of Sir Sandford Fleming, in elucidation of some points alluded to in the address to His Excellency. They also append a memorandum by that gentleman on "The Empire Cables," pointing out the effect they are destined to have in cheapening Imperial telegraphy.

On behalf of the Council of the Board of Trade of the City of Ottawa.

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