

The Atlantic Telegraph.

THE ATLANTIC TELEGRAPH.

In the *Canadian Merchants Magazine*, Vol. I. page 299, will be found a full account of the organization and proceedings of the Atlantic Telegraph Company, and we have now to put on record the successful termination of the greatest enterprise of modern times. The line is not yet in operation for business purposes, but the transmission of the following messages establishes the fact that the line can be successfully worked:

THE QUEEN'S MESSAGE.

To His Excellency the President of the United States.

Her Majesty desires to congratulate the President upon the successful completion of this great international work, in which Her Majesty has taken the greatest interest. The Queen is convinced that the President will join with her in fervently hoping that the electric cable which now connects Great Britain with the United States, will prove an additional link between the nations whose friendship is founded upon their common interest and reciprocal esteem. The Queen has much pleasure in thus communicating with the President, and renewing to him her wishes for the prosperity of the United States.

WASHINGTON CITY, Aug. 16th.

THE PRESIDENT'S REPLY.

To Her Majesty, Victoria, Queen of Great Britain,

The President cordially reciprocates the congratulation of Her Majesty, the Queen, on the success of this great International enterprise, accomplished by the science skill, and indomitable energy of the two countries. It is a triumph more glorious, because far more useful to mankind, than was ever won by conqueror on the field of battle. May the Atlantic Telegraph, under the blessing of Heaven, prove to be the bond of perpetual peace and friendship between the kindred nations, and an instrument designed by Divine Providence to diffuse religion, civilization, liberty and law, throughout the world. In this view will not all nations of Christendom spontaneously unite in the declaration that it shall be forever neutral, and that its communications shall be held sacred in the passage to their places of destination, even in the midst of hostilities?

(Signed) JAS. BUCHANAN.

CYRUS STATION, August 16, 1858.

To the Directors of the Atlantic Telegraph Company, New York:

Europe and America are united by Telegraph. Glory to God in the highest, on earth peace, good will toward men.

Signed,

DIRECTORS OF THE ATLANTIC TELEGRAPH COMPANY,
Great Britain.

GOVERNOR GENERAL'S MESSAGE.

To the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, London.

The Governor General of British North America presents his humble duty to the Queen, and respectfully congratulates Her Majesty on the completion of the telegraphic communication between Great Britain and these Colonies.

Toronto, August 16, 11 P.M.

EDMUND HEAD.