

It may farther be explained that a "Territorial Road," hereafter referred to, is an expression used and fully explained in the article, to which reference is first made in this memorandum.* It is employed, in the absence of a better term to express what is intended, and to distinguish this from any other kind of road: it is intended to mean a road laid out through new Territories, with so much care and forecast, that, although in its very first stage, it may be little more than a trail or bridle path, it may eventually be developed into a Railway. A Territorial Road should be understood to mean, simply a Railway in an incipient stage, capable of being used as a means of intercourse from the first, and equally capable of being rendered more and more perfect as expenditure is progressively made thereon, until the time arrives when traffic warrants, or the exigencies of the country demand, the laying of the Rails, the furnishing of Rolling Stock, and the opening of the route as a line of steam communication.

In the case under consideration, a Territorial Road would from the first serve as a Post Road at all seasons of the year; it would afford the means of making and maintaining a telegraph line, would serve for introducing men and supplies for building the Railway, and this being the ultimate object, the expenditure from time to time may be so regulated as to produce the desired result in the most economical manner possible.

SUGGESTIONS.

The establishment and completion as soon as practicable of a continuous Railway from Ocean to Ocean on the most eligible route, within the limits of the Dominion, should be accepted and laid down as a settled national policy.

* Appendix A.