

To illustrate the connections of your road, and the position of our trunk line generally, I have had prepared a map, extending from Detroit through Montreal to Melbourne, the junction of the Quebec and Portland roads. This map is upon a scale of two miles to the inch, and shows all the principal highways of Canada West. Such a work would have been out of the question, as regards both cost and time, had it been original. It contains the labor of years devoted by Major Baron de Rottenburg, A. Q. M. Gen., for the purpose of showing the travelled roads of the country—who most generously permitted it to be copied—an operation made comparatively easy by the recent valuable invention (in England) of a transparent cloth by means of which detached maps on a uniform scale can be traced, to any length, continuously, with great expedition and economy.

I have to acknowledge the valuable exertions of my assistants. Messrs. T. S. Rubidge, J. H. Dumble, Jno. C. Innes, and J. O. Browne, who have exerted themselves to accomplish the survey within the shortest limits, both of time and expense.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

THOS. C. KEEFER,

*Chief Engineer.*

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