

Canada, although their visit bore an informal relation to renewed negotiations on the subject of the Inter-colonial Railway. Since then I had the pleasure of occasionally meeting with Messrs. Howe and Tilley in London, while they were on an official embassy to this country. I only regret that the important project they seemed to have so much at heart, and for the accomplishment of which they have laboured so assiduously, should have been even temporarily abandoned. It appears, however, that Mr. Sandford Fleming commenced his survey of the route for the projected railway early this year over the snow, which is said to have been a help and not a hindrance in some parts of the work. Such a favourable sign of action begets the hope that the long-wished for Inter-colonial Railway will be, ere long, not an ideality, but a reality.

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