

to confer with the Engineers of the Grand Trunk Railway in bridging the St. Lawrence;" and if Alex. M. Ross valued the same honor so highly that the attempt to deprive him of it sent him to an early grave, I ought not to be blamed for indulging a kindred sentiment. When one has given years of time, thought, and exertion to any enterprise, it is not pleasant to be told that his efforts have been wasted, or to be classed with or below others who have only expended their idle or unemployed moments on the work. If I err in this view of the case, I at least err in good company:

JOHN YOUNG.

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