

explorations will lead to the discovery of a much easier line. That the the defensive properties of the North Shore route, so strenuously urged, are not equal even to those of an inland frontier route; and lastly that the uneasy condition of the Province of Nova Scotia, may lead to issues which would put a new phase upon the whole question, and now I appeal, especially, to the people of the rich and populous, I might call it, the METROPOLITAN Province of Ontario, and to all men of influence and candor in this Dominion; to Senators and Members of the House of Commons; to all magistrates and merchants; in short to every man, to use his and their influence in furtherance of our object. Let us at least have the opportunity of saving, if possible, the unnecessary expenditure of seven or eight millions of dollars.



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