

and to which they are intended to afford full replies and explanations respecting all matters connected with the character of the work done; and the cost of engineering, upon the North Shore Railway, during the time when I had the honor to occupy the position of Consulting and Acting Chief Engineer of the Railway Company.

Trusting that I may be pardoned, Mr. Premier, for presuming to trouble you with a matter which, although it may at present appear to be entirely personal to myself; yet one which I apprehend may, sooner or later, become of some interest to your Government as affecting the success of the important Railway policy which you have in hand;

I have the honor to remain,

Mr. Premier,

Your very obedient servant,

SILAS SEYMOUR.

The Honorable

C. B. DEBOUCHERVILLE,

*Premier of the Province of Quebec,*

*Minister of Public Works, &c., &c.*

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To which the following was received in reply :

[*Translation.*]

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND PUBLIC WORKS.

*Quebec, 16th September, 1876.*

SIR,

In answer to your letter of the 12th of this month, I have the honor to inform you that the documents