

a Montreal dealer can afford to pay a dollar and ten cents to ship by the Georgian Bay route, the highest offer will take the wheat.

I beg leave to close by quoting a sentence which, years ago when comparing the New York and the Canadian routes, I used, and cannot now improve the sentiment. "It is true that national pride and immense capital and the beaten track of commerce are on the side of New York; but God and nature are stronger than all these; and let any intelligent man compare the 'Erie ditch' with the mighty St. Lawrence, and a canal to pass vessels of a thousand tons burthen from the Georgian Bay to Toronto, and he cannot doubt for a moment on which side the immutable laws of commerce will decide the contest."

Begging pardon of the Honorable Committee for my betrayal into any discussion of a topic not strictly embraced in their queries, offering, as my excuse for so doing, the deep interest I feel in the success of this great enterprise, so promotive of peace and commercial prosperity between England and America, I am, gentlemen,

Very truly, and most respectfully,

Your Obedient Servant,

WM. BROSS.