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# AN APPEAL

*To the Members of the Privy Council, Senators, Members of the House of Commons, and the Constituency of the Dominion of Canada, on the subject of the Route of the Intercolonial Railway.*

TO THE READER:

The writer of the following pages has been a close observer of the proceedings in Parliament on the subject in question, and has also followed, with some attention, the efforts of the advocates of different routes to gain, through the medium of the press, that popular sympathy which is, in our day, so potent in its influence upon Legislative and Executive bodies, and apprehending as the result, the danger of an inconsiderate decision which may cause the useless outlay of millions of dollars, he ventures, by means of this pamphlet, to place his views, in a common-sense way, before the influential classes of this young Dominion. He does not intrude his name or station into the controversy, because he prefers to depend for your acceptance or rejection of his views, upon the intrinsic merits of the position assumed. It is of no consequence by whom truth is uttered, its value is the same through whatsoever medium it is disseminated.

Your earnest attention to, and calm consideration of, the arguments used in this pamphlet, are respectfully solicited, and if your judgment approves, it is hoped that your influence will be exerted accordingly.

