

land have not been fulfilled ; but, on the other hand, the Dominion Government has shown that it has made considerable efforts to improve the communication in the face of serious physical difficulties, especially during the winter season.

There seems to be reason for doubting whether any really satisfactory communication by steamship can be regularly maintained all the year round, which makes it all the more important that the proposed "metallic subway" should receive a full, and if feasible, a favourable consideration on the part of the Government of the Dominion. The establishment of constant and speedy communication by rail would be a great advantage both to the province and to the Dominion, and I should suppose that the development of the traffic on the Island railroads, and of the capabilities of the province generally would produce a large direct and indirect return on the expenditure.

It would reflect great credit on the Dominion Government if, after connecting British Columbia with the Eastern Provinces by the Canadian Pacific Railway, it should now be able to complete its system of railway communication by an extension to Prince Edward Island.

The Marquis of Lansdowne.

I have, &c.,  
(Signed) GRANVILLE.

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