

who have taken so much pains to honor me with their presence tonight I extend my heartfelt thanks; I now invite them to the opening of our first works, which event I hope is not far off. Later I want each one of them to join me in our all rail excursion from Sault Ste. Marie to Hudson's Bay. But I am using too much time and must conclude.

I feel strengthened by this cordial and earnest welcome home; I shall go forward to whatever effort the future may require from me here with the confidence that the people of Sault Ste. Marie, to the last man, are holding up my hands. I thank you on my own account, and in behalf of my associates for this magnificent demonstration of sympathy and good will.



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