

THE PACIFIC CABLES

No Imperial Aid Expected—The Postponed Royal Visit—Quebec's Financial Standing in Britain.

LONDON, Jan. 3.—Sir Charles Tupper and Sandford Fleming, C.M.G., had an interview today with Lord Ripon, Secretary of State for the Colonies, regarding the proposed Pacific cable.

There is much complaint that the Imperial Government abandoned the survey of the Pacific Ocean three years ago, without one word of intimation to Canada.

The second survey has only just begun. Mr. Fleming says, however, that the whole business could be completed and the cable laid within two years without Imperial aid.

The Colonies Must Foot the Bill. It is hardly expected that the present Government abandoned the project—indeed, Mr. Fleming's proposals submitted to the Australian Colonies show that the project can be carried out as a state enterprise by the Canadian, Australian and Fiji Governments alone.

Nevertheless, Lord Ripon is being given to understand that the colonies would feel strongly the absence of Imperial support so far as financial aid is concerned.

Mr. Hector Cameron and the other capitalists who are interested in the new fast Atlantic service proposals have not yet said for Canada.

The Postponed Royal Visit. Though the Duke and Duchess of York are compelled for the present, because of domestic reasons, to decline the invitation of the Australian colonies to visit the antipodes this year, it is hoped that the invitation will be accepted in 1914.

The Canadian Gazette suggests that the Canadian Government should invite the members of the Royal family to return to England via Vancouver.

Quebec's Financial Standing. The statement called here that the Quebec Government's resignation because of the Desautels affair is causing much uneasiness in the city, where it is believed that the province absolutely demands the continuance of the present cabinet.

The return of Mercier or his friends to power would place the province in a hopelessly bad position in the British financial market.

YORK MILLS. A Big Gathering at the Opening of the New School House.

The fine new school house at York Mills was duly opened yesterday afternoon, because of the tremendous attendance of the people thereabout and of visitors from the city.

Among those on the platform were: J. R. Miller, Deputy Minister of Education for the Province; Dr. J. R. Miller, Deputy Minister of Education; Dr. J. R. Miller, Deputy Minister of Education; Dr. J. R. Miller, Deputy Minister of Education.

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