

The reaction will soon set in, unless some untoward event prevents it. I do not think that we have lost anything by the delay in <sup>the</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>matter of the</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>Antigonish</sup> Railway Route through Nova Scotia. We promised to see (and in fairness we were bound to do so) Linsley and McLean as to Line A, and the same spirit of fairness made us hear the other side, which was represented by Purdy. Planning thanks we have, taking everything into consideration, made the best selection, and fortunately it will meet the views of the people both on the Gulf Shore and on the Bay of Fundy. By the way I saw a good deal of Mr. Purdy who represents your County in the Local. He is very much incensed at what he considers the double dealing of Armand to his Government, & expressed himself very grateful for the fair play he received here. I am quite satisfied that if you cultivate him judiciously you can make him useful to yourself in your own Constituency as well as to the Union Cause.

Believe me  
Yours faithfully

Arthur M. Wood

The Hon.  
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Parliament