

still a young man," he is reported to have said, "with the same optimistic feelings as those of 1887, I would make the adoption of such a scheme as Sir Sandford Fleming's the main object of my life, and carry it, too."

That the Ottawa Board of Trade, under the inspiring leadership of Sir Sandford Fleming, may continue to make the adoption of the All-Red cable the main object of its existence is not only my hope, but my expectation, and if you do make it the main object of your existence, I feel with Mr. Hoffmeyer, that you will carry it.

The fact that the Eighty Club, of which I had the honour to be the founder, but from which a disagreement in Imperial politics caused me subsequently to sever my connection, has declared itself to be in favour of this most important bit of constructive Imperialism confirms my belief that if you persevere you will succeed.