

Canadian Pac. Road - Construction 3/20/1882

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Hill to W. C. Van Horne

I have your telegram advising receipt by you of despatch from Perry and Shaw and I assure you it gives me great pleasure to have the impression received from time to time in conversation with people who are familiar with that country so fully confirmed. I consider that this makes the CPRy much more valuable as a through line. From everything I learn the country south, as far as the Boundary Line, West from the Saskatchewan to the Mountains will prove an excellent agricultural country. I hope "Miller" will not disappoint you in fixing a location if Perry's crossing is not every thing that could be wished

Important that you have enough sidetracks at
Winnipeg for the enormous business... now com-
ing. I deem this of greatest importance both to
the C.P. and this Co. for if at this time word
was to go East that we were unable to take care
of the business our enemies in Parliament would
undoubtedly make it out an effort to deter
Emigration from going to Manitoba and to stop
people this side of the Line.

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