

Rogers, A. B.

March 8, 1881

Hill to Rogers, St. Paul

You have been appointed to take charge of the exploration and survey of that portion of the Rocky Mountains and British Columbia lying between Kamloops on the West and the head waters of the streams emptying into the South branch of the Saskatchewan on the East side, with a view to finding a practical location for a Railway Line between those points. You will as soon as possible go to British Columbia and begin operations from Kamloops East. Relying on your judgment and long experience I will leave all details for you to settle as you may find best." Re method of getting funds."The necessary parties to meet you at or near the summit

of the Main Range will start by way of [Fort]  
Benton as soon as the season is far enough ad-  
vanced." [Signed] J.J. Hill for the Executive  
Com<sup>t</sup> of the Canadian Pacific Railway.