

Pacific Railway will be exhibited to aid the proposed improvement of the inter-State water way—from the Mississippi to the Atlantic seaboard, believing that such pecuniary assistance will be repaid to the Government one hundred fold in the development of material naval and military resources of our country.

“*Resolved*, That our thanks are due and are hereby tendered to the proprietors and managers of this signal enterprise, assuring them of our highest appreciation of its magnitude, and for the skill, boldness, and ability which projected, and the marvellous rapidity with which it is being carried forward to completion.”

REPLY OF HON. C. A. LAMBARD.

Mayor RICE—I will call now upon one of these men who are engaged in this noble national work, and in doing so I again offer them the hearty welcome of the people of Chicago. I call upon the Hon. Charles A. Lambard, of Boston, one of the Directors of the Pacific Railroad. Mr. LAMBARD spoke as follows:

“As a Director of the Union Pacific Railroad Company, I feel bound to say one word to you in response to this cordial welcome, for Mr. Durant, our Vice-President, who is kept away from us by sickness. In his behalf, then, and in behalf of the Union Pacific Railroad Company, let me thank you for this kind reception. Let me return thanks here in a public manner for the many kindnesses we have received in the West. Wherever we have been we have received the greatest kindness and the most lavish hospitality from all your citizens. Indeed, sir, the devices and ingenuity with which they have insured our comfort, safety, and happiness over these long lines of railroad, have excited the admiration and wonder of our friends. No men educated in a country less magnificent in resources or less expansive and liberal in influence, could conceive or do more for stranger friends; no men less learned in nature’s learning could have devised the *mise en scene* we have so thankfully beheld, and so successfully carried out a plan to develop it. In regard to this subject,