

fray the expense of the locks, and on condition that the water, after being used, should be re-conducted into the canal. There would still remain on the table land behind the town, a level at least 25 feet higher than the level of the harbor, affording unlimited power for manufacturing purposes. I do not anticipate any sort of difficulty in agreeing with the Government for a supply of water from the Rideau Canal, which will never run short of it, if common care be observed, on the SOUTHERN side of the summit level. A tithe of the water which runs over the waste weirs of the Cranberry Lake level would do more than answer our wants.

On the infinite importance of this project to our good Town of Kingston I need not dwell. It is not my purpose to discuss the mode of raising capital for its execution—that subject may be reserved for another occasion—at present it will suffice, if we take efficient measures for getting a survey and report, with plans and estimates from a competent Engineer—and to do this, a fund must in the first place be provided. I shall greatly err in my expectations, if the public spirit of my fellow-townsmen desert them on the present occasion.