

WATER COMMUNICATIONS IN CANADA.

ESTIMATES

Of the Expense of the Construction of Water Communications in the Canadas.

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DETAILED ESTIMATES and SURVEYS of the intended Canals in *Upper Canada*, have been ordered, but have not yet arrived.

The Rideau Canal is intended to open a Water Communication between Kingston and the Ottawa, a distance of 132 miles, by connecting together several pieces of Water lying in that direction; the length of the Cuts required to be made does not exceed 20 miles.

Kingston Mill Stream,
Cranberry Lake,
Mud Lake,
Rideau Lake, and
Rideau River.

The Estimate, as founded on the calculations of a civil engineer employed by the Colonial Government amounts to - - - - - £. 110,000

Already granted, 1826 - - - - - £. 5,000

To be appropriated in 1827, with a view to finishing the work in four years - - - - - £. 41,000.

To open a Communication between the Rideau and Lake St. Louis it has been necessary to make a Canal at Grenville of six miles long, the works of which are nearly completed, as well as Locks, &c. at the following places, viz.

Chute à Blondeau,
Carillon Rapids,
St. Anne's Rapids.

The Estimate for the Grenville Canal amounts to - - - £. 60,000
That for the Chute à Blondeau, Carillon, and St. Anne's - - - 50,000

Total - - - £. 110,000

Of this sum there have been already expended previous to }
and in 1825 - - - - - £. 40,000 } - - £. 65,000
Granted in 1826 - - - - - 10,000 }
To be appropriated in 1827 - - - 15,000 }

Remains to be provided for in future years, for the navigation of the Ottawa River - - - - - £. 45,000