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Nickel-Copper Industry

...IN CANADA ...

The Canadian Copper Company was incorporated under the laws of the State of Ohio and afterwards given power to carry on operations in Canada by an Act of the Parliament of Canada passed in 1886, being 49 Victoria, Chapter 99. Their object in being incorporated under the laws of that State was to render the stock unliable to assessment for municipal purposes. The law there provides that while stock in a foreign company is liable to municipal assessment, stock in a company organized under the laws of the State is not.

By the Bill as introduced the Company asked power to sell the product of their mines in any part of Canada or elsewhere, and to establish treating or smelting works in Canada "or elsewhere" as in the interests of the Company was found expedient. (Section 2.)

The Private Bills Committee refused to pass the Bill in that form and struck out the words "or elsewhere" so far as the same related to the erection of treating or smelting works, with the result that while the Act as passed gave the Company the right to sell the product of their mines outside of Canada it necessitated the erection of treating or smelting works in some part of Canada. This was done deliberately and with a full knowledge of its effects, as can be substantiated by the statement of the Hon. W. B. Ives, Chairman of the