

should the piling already done be thought insecure, that room may be left for a second row of piles in order to preserve 72 feet width of canal as originally designed—which it is ascertained can be driven with great ease after excavation; but almost impossible before.

Estimate of the work necessary to be done to opening the navigation of Burlington Lake.

Excavation in lake Ontario,

$\frac{520}{3} \times \frac{60 \times 12}{3} = 13840$ Cubic yards.

Beach,

$\frac{270 \times 60 \times 12}{27} = 7200$ do

Allow for Burlington lake 4000, 25,040 yards at 8d,	£	315	0	0
Piling to be done in Burlington lake, 120 Piles at 5s,		30	0	0
Decking and Piers 9800 superficial feet of boards at 60s. per thousand.		40	0	0
Sloping Pier head Burlington lake,		10	0	0
Beach. piling through do. 270 piles at 5s,		67	10	0
Forming road way and back filling,		20	0	0
Lake Ontario piers 931 feet partly finished to be done,		261	10	6
New piers—540,		302	4	6
Breakwater solid contents 7110 Cubic yards at 5s. per yard,		1777	10	0
Timber for do 23040 feet £10 per thousand,		230	0	0
Securing heads and piling		249	10	6

Expense that will be necessary to finish the work, £3301 5 6

(Signed)

FRANCIS HALL

13th April, 1826.

Letter to the Engineer and his answer.

FRANCIS HALL, ESQUIRE,—OUTLET OF BURLINGTON BAY.

April 13th, 1826:

SIR:—

After giving your report of this day's date every consideration in our power, after viewing the deteriorated state of the works at the canal through the beach since the last storm, and considering the scientific knowledge necessary to replace them on a substantial and permanent footing—and after freely discussing those matters with yourself and the contractor, we unanimously feel it our duty to withhold our consent to your leaving this province at the present.—Individually we feel the greatest possible disposition to promote your private advantage; but considering our public duty paramount to every other consideration, and that the Burlington bay canal, now, more than ever requires your superintendence, we feel ourselves constrained to make this declaration and will most willingly (as far as in us lies) use every means in our power to secure a compensation to you for the delay which the non-completion of the contract has occasioned.

We have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servants,

(Signed)

J. CROOKS,
M. OVERFIELD,
R. NELLES,
W. CHISHOLM,
W. M. JARVIS,

Commissioners.

Burlington Beach, 13th April, 1826:

To the Commissioners for making a Canal and Piers at Burlington Beach.

GENTLEMEN,—

Having duly considered your communication of this date, I have the honor to state respecting the same, that my engagements are indispensable in the provinces of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia; that those engagements have been known to each commissioner collectively and individually since the 1st Oct. 1825. That no subsequent step has been taken to re-engage my services from that period to this, is what must be admitted.

I however thank you gentlemen for your expressions as to my welfare, and had previous arrangements been entered upon, I should have willingly for the honor of the works, accepted a very diminished allowance in comparison with present engagements.

I have the honor to be,

Gentlemen,

Your very obedient servant,

(Signed)

FRANCIS HALL

General account of disbursements and expenditures on Burlington Beach Canal by J. G. Strowbridge, and his associates, contractors: from the commencement of the job to April 12th, 1826.

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Amount expended for labour and boards including provisions and boarding by contract,	197	53	
do. do. for lumber and sawing,	4	87	
			23913 40
do. expenses accrued in procuring materials for machinery, exclusive of labor, erecting the same,	3422	98	
do. expended in procuring stone with boats and conveyance upon the ice with teams,	1003	08	
do. do. for teams and harness,	1383	27	
do. do. in procuring forage,	850	26	
			6659 59
do. expended in procuring iron, steel and coal for blacksmith's shop,	877	96	
deduct for work sold;	40	27	
			403 69
do. expended for tools,	499	42	
do. do. for erecting and finishing shantees, workshops and cooking utensils,	681	36	
			1180 78
do. personal expenses accrued in procuring materials for the work, interest on cash, bond, postage, &c.	1438	4	
do. paid sub-contractors for piling and excavating,	1600	00	
			3056 49
			535200 96