

**THE WELAND POWER COMPANY.**

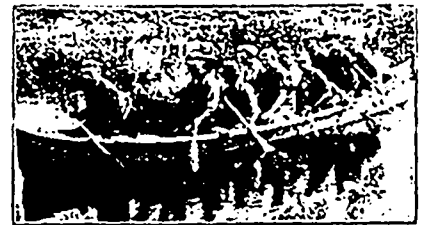
Mr. Henry Symons, Q.C., of Toronto, has just returned from England, where he had estimates prepared for the construction of the proposed works of the Welland Power and Supply Canal Company. This project involves the construction of a canal from the Welland River to the brow of the Mountain at Thorold, a distance of eight miles; the construction at Thorold of a power house, and from Thorold to Lake Ontario, a raceway by which to carry water into the lake. In addition to these different works, estimates were obtained for the construction of a transmission line from Thorold to Toronto by way of Burlington Beach. The estimates obtained by Mr. Symons were prepared by Dr. Hopkinson, F.R.S., one of the leading electricians of Great Britain; Sir Douglas Fox, Edmund Wragge, late of Toronto, and Mr. W. C. Unwin.

The estimate for the machinery to generate 100,000 horse-power is £125,000; for transmission line to Toronto at a voltage of 10,000 and delivery of 50,000 horse-power, £801,600; for excavation and other work connected with the undertaking, £1,525,062. The total estimate therefore amounts to £2,452,162, or roughly speaking, \$12,000,000. If the amount to be delivered in Toronto is reduced to 20,000 horse-power, the project would cost \$1,000,000 less. Messrs. S. Pearson & Son, contractors, state that if the contract could be secured from the cities of Toronto and Hamilton for a considerable quantity of power, for a definite term, there would be little difficulty in raising money for the project by bonds and shares in Great Britain, and that they themselves would be prepared to undertake the work, taking as part of their payment these securities. Mr. Symons intends laying the matter before the Mayor and City Council of Toronto before long to see if he cannot make a conditional contract for the supply of 5,000 or 10,000 horse-power.

The Montmorency Power Co., of Quebec, has made an addition to their plant by the installation of another 600 k.w. "S.K.C." Generator, which was purchased from the Royal Electric Co.

The Ossekeag Stamping Company, started at Hampton, N.B., in January last, is already an extensive concern, employing sixty hands, and it is expected to shortly increase the number to between one hundred and one hundred and twenty-five. The factory has a capacity of manufacturing \$200,000 worth of goods a year, and if the present good business continues, the ten machines, which are

at present running night and day manufacturing grey ware, white ware, blue and white ware, in pans, preserving kettles of all kinds, seamless pails, sauce pans, tea and coffee pots, pudding dishes, bowls of all kinds, boilers, trays, moulds, spoons, jars, ladles, pitchers, measures, skimmers, scoops, mugs and cups, plates, roasting pans, sinks, toilet sets, and numberless other articles. Their machinery is the best that can be procured, and their manufacturing is all done on the latest principles known. Their enamelling and galvanizing is in every way equal to the best work turned out by foreign concerns. Everything required for the successful operation of a tin and stamping factory is present, and the results are highly satisfactory to the enterprise. The company makes all its own dies for stamping and is thoroughly independent of outside assistance. It has already acquired a fine reputation and is rapidly forging ahead as the best equipped factory in Canada. Already the Upper Canadian houses are beginning to feel its existence. In winter the company has advantages over its western neighbors, as all its material is shipped from England to the port of St. John and can be landed in Hampton at a much smaller cost than Upper Canadian firms can procure it. Three travellers are constantly engaged soliciting orders, with such good results that the factory can hardly supply the demand. The company that built and is operating these works is composed entirely of provincialists, and the enterprising manager is Mr. J. E. Whittaker, of St. John.—Maritime Merchant.



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