

route by land, around by Burlington Beach, would be some seventy one miles from the power station of the Ontario Power Co. to Toronto. If a cable is found practicable, the total distance from the power station, coming across the lake, would be some forty one miles, thirty six of which would be under water. It is said that this is not an impracticable route. Meantime we take it that it will be at least one to two years before Toronto can be supplied with current from Niagara. The Toronto Electric Light Co. have signified their intention of bringing power from Niagara, and the question arises whether or not Toronto, as a city, should control this proposed Niagara power connection. This is a matter for consideration, and one on which your Committee are not prepared to report at the present time, not having sufficient data at hand.

We are pleased to be able to add that, because rival municipalities have sought to make a strong point of cheap electric power when endeavoring to secure new industries, the Toronto Electric Light Co. have, through their manager, signified their willingness to assist the city authorities in meeting this competition until the power connection with the Falls is established, which would doubtless involve a loss to them.

All of which is respectfully submitted.
W. E. H. MASSEY,
Toronto, April 25, 1900. Chairman.

APPLIED ARTS EXHIBITION.

An exhibition of applied arts was opened in the gallery of the Ontario Society of Artists, Toronto, last week, the object of the promoters being to give illustrations of

interest showing how art is utilized by manufactures in the designing and ornamentation of their goods. With the exception of Miss Marion Living, of Ottawa, all the exhibitors were from Toronto. Miss Living sent a number of designs for carpets and also for laces. A large number of architectural sketches were in evidence, among them a design for the Union Bank from Bond & Smith, and other important designs from Messrs. Langton, Paul Weekson & Eden Smith. There were samples of tasty book-covers and book-plates from Brown Bros., The Grip Co., George, N. Morang & Co., and Rev. William Briggs. W. N. McCormack & Co. showed a fine selection of wood-carving and ornamental panels. Some excellent work in leather embossing was contributed by Mr. Gustavo Hahn, the work of Mrs. Hahn. Embossed leather

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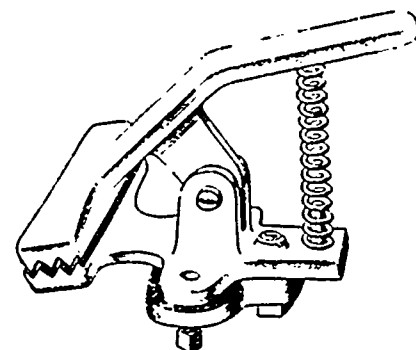
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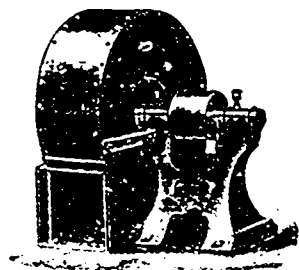
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