

pects have not shrunk from encountering. The only course which can with safety be pursued in a matter of such moment is, to have careful surveys, plans, and estimates prepared, and a report thereon submitted for public consideration.

These can be ready as soon as the legislative and financial arrangements are perfected, so as to be prepared, if desired, for the prosecution of the work without loss of time.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

THOMAS C. KEEPER.

To the City Clerk,
Corporation of Torouto.

TORONTO WATER SUPPLY.

*To His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of
the City of Toronto.*

GENTLEMEN :

It is not my intention to enter on the subject of a water supply for your city with a view to competing for the premium offered by your advertisement, because I altogether object to the mode of obtaining the supply as determined by your body, in comparison with that more perfect and less costly system, by self gravitation, which I believe to be practicable, and which it is my present design respectfully to submit to your notice.

No doubt, when it was resolved to have recourse to pumping from the lake, the determination was arrived at from what was considered to be conclusive evidence of the difficulty or impossibility of securing a supply by other means; nevertheless, I venture to think that the suggestions I have to offer may be found worthy of serious consideration before you are finally committed to a system which at the best is only an expedient to be adopted from necessity.