

for an act of incorporation of a company, with permission to raise £25 000 for opening the Canal.

That public-spirited individuals should project and undertake similar enterprizes, is highly desirable; and they ought not to be discouraged by the reflection that they can be productive of comparatively very small benefit, as long as the miserably short-sighted policy is adopted at home, and re-echoed here, by which the transit of American produce thro' the Canadas is trammelled, discouraged, and even prohibited; for it is impossible but the time must come when conviction will be brought home at last even to the imbecile planners and promoters of such unwise restrictions, *that to impose the slightest duty, (unless for the sole purpose of raising a necessary revenue, which can not otherwise be raised,) upon any kind of American produce, coming in any way into these provinces, is a political folly of the most absurd description.*

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