

of the Canadian companies that have been organized for the purpose of utilizing the Niagara water power, namely, The Welland Power and Supply Canal Co'y, which was incorporated at the last session of the Dominion Parliament, and whose aim is not only the utilization of power but also to supply water to irrigate the peninsular fruit belt. "The charter of the Company," the Philadelphia Record observes, "permits it to draw unlimited water from the Niagara River. The Company is empowered to deepen or widen the Chippawa Creek from its mouth to the point of intersection of the proposed canal, four and one-half miles west, and it is said there is nothing in the charter to prevent the Company from diverting the course of the Niagara River to Thorold, Ontario."

A correspondent to the St. Catharines Journal writing in regard to the Smelting of Ores, says:

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