

from individuals horses for towing vessels through the Canal (and for want of them frequent detention take place) it is apprehended that the convenience of the public and the increase of trade will soon oblige the Company: (to ask for the power if they have it not under their charter) either to procure and keep in readiness Steam tow Boats, or Horses for towing. In the latter case large stabling will be indispensable and the strip of land referred to, or some other absolutely requisite for that purpose. To avoid the necessity of the Company's being forced into a business, alike troublesome and out of their sphere, every encouragement has and will be given to persons who keep Horses for towing; and as an inducement, they have been allowed to erect Stables on this land free of expense. I state these circumstances as additional reasons to show the necessity of the measure solicited in the Memorial both as it regards the convenience of the Company and the public.

I am with great respect,

Your obd't serv't.

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