

New U. S. Immigration Order May Cause Friction Here

Niagara Falls, Jan. 28.—Hereafter all Canadians working on this side of the river will have to undergo the regular examination for aliens seeking admittance to the United States before they will be permitted to enter upon employment here. That is the substance of an order received yesterday from Washington by Chief Inspector W. R. Baldwin of the Falls immigration bureau. The order also affects many Canadians who have taken up their residence in this city as a matter of course after getting work, these for the most part unmarried men and women.

There are hundreds of Canadians who daily cross the bridges to work in Niagara Falls. Heretofore it was the practice of the immigration officers to permit those from the Canadian side who were known to cross and re-cross without examination. Several years ago there was an agitation here to prevent the Canadians from working in Falls factories, but an investigation showed that there was no law prohibiting their employment. The immigration officers say there are many who will not be able to pass the entrance test. Chief Inspector Baldwin says he does not know the basis of the new order.