In some respects, Stanstead Plain is unrivalled, as it is without doubt the most regularly laid out of any village in the Eastern Townships. Its location is both healthful and pleasant, in the midst of a rich agricultural section. It has but one principal street extending in a direction nearly north and south, not so compactly built but that ample room is left for gardens and ornamental grounds on a small scale. Many of the dwellings more recently erected, combine elegance with convenience.

Rock Island. This village is situated one mile south of Stanstead Plain, and contains six general stores, two family groceries, a post office, public house, one flouring mill, an iron foundry, two boot and shoe factories, a chair factory, a printing office whence issues a weekly newspaper, planing machines, and other mechanical works. The locality is separated from Derby line in Vermont, only by the stream which is crossed by bridges at different points.

Georgeville, twelve miles north-west of Stanstead Plain, is on the eastern shore of lake Memphremagog, and contains two church buildings, a post office, academy, three stores, a custom house, two public houses and a collection of some thirty or more dwellings.

Fitch Bay, situated at the head of the bay of that name, seven miles north-west of Stanstead Plain, has one church building, a post office, two stores, a grist and saw mill each, a cabinet shop and other mechanical works, and a collection of houses.