

is preparing for the erection of his dwelling. These works are upon the west side of the Creek, and will doubtless prove the commencement of a rapid extension of our town in that quarter.

The Government Steam Dredging Machine was built in our shipyard, under the contract of D. S. Howard Esq., from the States.—This employed many hands during the winter, and by the prompt weekly payment of the men, made no slight addition to the circulating medium.

Although the intended dam across the creek is not yet in progress, creditable report induces us to believe, that ere long we shall have the satisfaction of announcing that, this vast improvement to our town is in progress. When this undertaking with the mills to be erected upon it, are completed, it will impart a fresh impulse to our advancement and of which the intended improvements of our excellent harbour will enable the town to reap the full benefits.

During the progress of these outward signs of advancement, we have observed that other and less conspicuous concerns have received the attention of our fellow townsmen. A very considerable subscription has been entered into towards the salary of a presbyterian clergyman to officiate in this town and neighbourhood,—not only will this be a spiritual benefit to the community, but occasion the erection of a presbyterian church, to add to the number of our public buildings.

The population of Oakville is upwards of 300.

DUNDAS.

The village of Dundas, now about to be incorporated, is situated in a most picturesque ravine, between the opposing mountains of Ancaster and West Flamboro', fronting a luxuriant valley, through which the Desjardins canal passes, connecting it with the waters of Burlington lake. This village, though situated more advantageously, both for external commerce and internal communication, than any other place at the head of lake Ontario, has not advanced with nearly the same rapidity, with other places, possessing not a tithe of the same natural advantage, which appertain to Dundas. Now, however, that the completion of the Canal is determined upon, the money obtained, and the expenditure confided to active individ-