

through the centre of the town, affords fair water power, advantage of which has been taken in the erection of several manufacturing establishments. This stream forms a valley in which, and also on the hills which rise beyond, the town is built. Port Hope possesses one of the finest harbors on the lake, from which lumber, grain and flour are annually exported to a large amount. A large fleet of schooners is engaged in this trade, and, as most of them are owned by people of the town, they add greatly to the wealth of the place. The southern terminus of the Midland Railway of Canada is here, and the Grand Trunk Railway Company have a station here, at which all trains stop. There is also a daily steamer between this point and Charlotte, N. Y., the port of Rochester, which is 68 miles distant, on the opposite shore of the lake.

### COBOURG.

Seven miles below Port Hope lies Cobourg, an incorporated town, with a population of 6,000. It is very pleasantly situated, and is the market town of an exceedingly beautiful and fertile section of the country. The rail and water communications are excellent, and the harbor is safe and commodious. Quantities of farm produce, lumber and iron ore, are exported annually.

The town is lit with gas, and is well laid out; the spacious streets, intersecting each other at right angles, are adorned with some fine public buildings and many elegant private residences, noticeable among the former are Victoria Hall, which contains the Town Hall and corporation and county offices, and which cost over \$100,000, the churches of the different denominations, and the Victoria Wesleyan College.