

touching the villages of Consecon, Melville, Wellington, Bloomfield, and intersecting No. 1 at Picton. From this latter place, which from its size and importance as a central point is common to both routes, the united line proceeds in nearly a direct course to Cherry Valley, Milford, and the head waters of Prince Edward or South Bay, afterwards centrally along the Peninsula, until it reaches the extremity of Long Point, where deep water of lake navigation is met.

A more minute description of the two lines may be desirable, but it must be understood that, until instrumental surveys are made, to determine the courses with precision, the present is but an approximate location. Taking in the first instance Number 1, or the central line, which divides Prince Edward Peninsula nearly centrally: leaving the Carrying Place it strikes through to Melville, having Roblin's Mills $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles to the east, and Consecon about the same distance to the west, thus equalizing the haulage of freight to and from these villages. From Melville the line proceeds to Allisonville village, and afterwards in nearly a direct course along the leading line through the second concession produced of Hallowell, Gerow Gore, Gore E, and between the 2nd and 3rd concession (M.T.) to a point on the proposed line to Long Point, about two miles west of Picton. The distance from the Carrying Place to this junction will be about 21.56 miles on the air line, or 21.87 miles by the route followed, measured in straight lines.

In the event of this central line being entertained, there no doubt will be a rivalry between the villages of Roblin's Mills and Consecon, for a diversion of the road, in either direction. The following measurements will give a comparative view of the relative increase by each route:

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| 1st. Carrying Place to Picton, <i>via</i> Melville and Allisonville as before..... | 21.87 miles |
| 2nd. Carrying Place to Picton <i>via</i> Roblin's Mills and Allisonville..... | 22.19 miles |
| 3rd. Carrying Place to Picton, <i>via</i> Consecon, Melville and Allisonville..... | 22.50 miles |