The city is governed along progressive lines. Every encouragement is given to manufacturers to locate in or near the city, and there is a population of about 80,000 people to draw from for the labor supply. The streets are kept in good condition, the Dominion Government is spending considerable in beautifying the city, and some of the drives are models of beauty. The public buildings are such that any city might be proud of. The magnificent parliament buildings are among the most beautiful structures in the world. They are perfect specimens



Lac des Isles, Gatineau.

of Gothic architecture, and were built at a cost of over \$5,000,000. The corner stone of the buildings was laid in 1860 by the Prince of Wales, now King Edward VII., and the stone is gladly shown to tourists; it is within the Senate building, which is always open to the public. From the top of Victoria Tower a splendid view of the varied scenery of the country around Ottawa may be had. The Laurentian hills are to the north, while east and west flow the Ottawa and Rideau rivers. The latter enters the Ottawa over a beautiful fall.

Ottawa has an assured future from a commercial point of view, because of the fact that the Dominion Government spends annually over a million dollars in salaries alone, while the manufacturers of the city also spend millions.