

sive, but would be greatly and progressively enlarged by an increased facility of procuring them, particularly such articles as might be wanted when the usual and hitherto only source was closed to their introduction ; and many of the latter, such as Flour, Grain, Provisions, Ashes, and other products, are, from the same cause, excluded from a market until late in the spring or early in summer.

The contemplated Rail Road would remove all these obstructions and disadvantages, and command a large portion of the transportation of those goods and products at all seasons, and the whole during half the year ; thus securing to the Canadas an uninterrupted intercourse with all the world, but more especially with New-Brunswick, Nova-Scotia, the West Indies, and the United Kingdom, which, with the consequent advantages of more speedy returns and greater accommodation, would advance the prosperity of all the Provinces, give an impulse to enterprise and production, and increase trade to an unknown extent. Indeed, it would be but the commencement of internal improvement that must soon extend to the *further West*, and concentrate an immense traffic of the utmost national importance.

This magnificent view should never for an instant be lost sight of, but be acted upon with all possible promptitude and energy, the urgency of which is indicated every day, and if not attended to, will shortly be manifested in the diversion of wealth and trade to neighbouring Countries, with but little chance even of a partial recovery ; the great value of which may, in a degree, be established by the circumstance of the rivalry now subsisting between the States of New-York and Pennsylvania to obtain each a portion of it.

To secure these unlimited and legitimate resources, it will be only necessary to construct a Rail Road from Quebec and Montreal to Lake Huron, in extension of that from St. Andrews to Quebec, which may be done at an expence not exceeding One Million Pounds : thereby shortening the distance, and almost uniting the Ocean and Great Lakes.

Another feature of great moment is presented to the interests of humanity by the preliminary and fundamental project now brought forward, in the inestimable benefits that would accrue to Emigration, both in comparative safety and shortness of voyage ; by which the Emigrant would find his way to any