

The most striking illustration of the influence of the great lakes in ameliorating the climate of Canada, especially of the western peninsula, is to be found in the natural limits to which certain trees are restricted by climate. That valuable wood, the black walnut, for which Canada is so celebrated, ceases to grow north of the latitude 41 degrees on the Atlantic coast; but under the influence of the comparatively mild lake climate of Peninsular Canada, it is found in the greatest profusion, and of the largest dimensions, as far north as latitude 43 degrees.

ROUTES THROUGH THE PROVINCE TO ANY PART OF CANADA AND THE
NORTHERN STATES OF THE AMERICAN UNION.

The following brief enumeration of the means of communication between Liverpool and Quebec, and between Quebec and any part of Canada, or the Northern, Middle, and Western States of the American Union, will serve to convey some idea of the combined facilities which the completion of the Grand Trunk Railroad of Canada, the Great Western Railway, and the unequalled system of Canadian ship canals, confer upon emigrants in their progress through the northern part of the American Continent.

An emigrant starts in a sailing vessel or a steamer, from Liverpool or any other European port, for Quebec. In a fortnight or a month, according to the mode of conveyance he adopts, he lands in Quebec. He may then proceed by railroad or steamer to Toronto in Upper Canada, or to any intermediate locality; from Toronto he may pass northward, a distance of ninety-four miles, by the Northern Railway to Collingwood, on Lake Huron, and then by steamer to Chicago and the Far West; or he may go by the Grand Trunk Railway or the Great Western Railway of Canada to Detroit, in the State of Michigan, and thence by rail to any part of the Western Union; or he may proceed by rail, or by rail and steamer, from Toronto to Goderich, or from Toronto to Buffalo, and thence by rail to any part of the Eastern or Southern States, or by steamer and rail to Ohio and contiguous States, or west by steamer or rail to Chicago and the Far West.

In cases where expedition is required, the traveller may proceed from Portland, in the State of Maine, and where, for the present, is seated the Atlantic terminus of the Grand Trunk Railway of Canada, and reach Toronto, in Upper Canada, by rail through Montreal, in twenty-five to twenty-six hours. And now that that wonder of the world, the Victoria Bridge across the St. Lawrence, is completed,