

now devote some space to the consideration of the second section, or extension to the extremity of Long Point.

An examination of the map of Canada will shew this point to be but 35 miles from the great lumber emporium, Oswego, on the south side of Lake Ontario. This American city is connected by a network of railways with all parts of the United States, and notably with the city of New York by an almost air line lately brought into operation, "The New York and Oswego Midland Railway." With your road joining the Grand Trunk Railway, and extending to Long Point, the most direct and quickest route of travel and transport between New York and all points west and north of Belleville, will be obtained ; or in other words, the *uncertain* portion or lake navigation, will be reduced to a minimum, and the *certain*, or rail distance correspondingly increased. The enormous quantity of sawed lumber which now finds its way from Trenton and neighborhood, to Oswego and Cape Vincent, principally in sailing vessels, passes down the tortuous Bay of Quinté, and across the lake, a total distance of about one hundred miles, subject to all the delays arising from baffling winds or calms, and crooked channels. By the rail, this difficulty will be obviated, and the sailing vessel take its cargo and departure in open water. The extremity of this point can with little expense be converted into a harbor of refuge, being protected in an outward direction, from the storms of the lake by Drake and Gull Islands. The navigation of the Bay of Quinté does not remain open more than seven months of the year, while at the Long Point terminus at least ten months may be counted on.

A deep water connection can also be had at Sloan's farm lot No. 6, Prince Edward Bay, which would be almost landlocked as against storms on the lake, and in which an entire fleet might ride safely at anchor.

The attention of New York capitalists and railway men will no doubt be directed to the air line connection which your road and the New York and Oswego Railway will furnish, from that city, to a point of junction north of Trenton,