

Kent and Lambton having long supremacy as the oil region of Ontario, the county of Essex now desires to be known as an oil district, too. Twenty years ago or more, several residents of Amherstburg, in that county, clubbed their spare cash and proceeded to explore certain "indications" of oil at a point about where the village of McGregor now stands. A well was put down and passed, if we remember rightly, through some shale. The expected oil was never found. Parties operating lately, twenty miles further east, in the same county, have had better success, as we learn by a letter from Comber, dated Nov. 7th. Mr. C. W. Scherer, tells us that a well which was "shot" on Saturday "is pumping at the rate of 40 barrels per day, and preparations are being made for sinking more wells at once." The residents naturally predict a great future for their village. Ballasting on the Leamington & St. Clair Railway, our correspondent tells us, is nearly completed and trains are now running between Leamington and Comber. Messrs. Rogers and Woodward, who seem to have pioneered the exploration, express themselves, according to the *Independent*, "confident that a very valuable vein of oil runs through Comber. A number of oil men from Petrolia are also leasing land and will at once commence boring for oil." We trust that all these bright expectations will be realized.

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