

ed and prudent navigator. The Canal in question would, in time of war, enable Troops and Stores to pass to and fro between Kingston and Toronto, without delay and in perfect security, when it might be impracticable, owing either to storms or an enemy's having temporary command of the Lake, to sail around the south point of Prince Edward District. The Harbor, as I have already stated, is quite easy of access, and it is moreover, perfectly defensible against the entrance of any vessel or fleet whatever. The entrance to the harbor is indicated by a large light house on Presqu' Isle Point, and two small Beacon Lights, the latter so placed that by keeping them in a line there is no sort of difficulty in entering, although strangers do sometimes go astray and therefore get aground, by keeping too much to the south-west, and taking what is called the *middle ground*, instead of keeping well down to the east towards the mainland of Brighton Township. where, by the bye. it would be very desirable to have another Beacon Light, and vessels could go within about thirty rods of it; from thence the channel, which is a mile and a half in length, is completely straight, varying from forty to eighty rods in width, and with a depth of never less than twelve feet, notwithstanding all the foolish talk to the contrary: furthermore, the channel is marked with Buoys; it is never incommoded with sand, and it is worthy of remark that notwithstanding the main body of the harbor is firmly frozen over every winter to the depth of

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