

might suppose, as during the summer months, passenger and freight steamers make regular trips two or three times weekly, calling at five or six points along the lake shore.



Residence of
MAGNUS JONASSON, Hmausa.

The Dominion Government are offering free homestead grants of 160 acres in this district, and those of limited means could not do better than locate by that method in this district.

The descendants of the historic Vikings, comprise the majority of the inhabitants, as the name of the municipality would indicate. Arrangements were

made by the Government when this colony was originally formed to have this tract of country reserved for settlers of the Icelandic nationality for a certain number of years, but it is now thrown open to all, irrespective of nationality, and numbers of English-speaking and other settlers are taking advantage of the privilege thus afforded them.

The Village of Gimli is the principal business centre and is beautifully situated on the lake shore about ten miles from the southern boundary of the municipality, and its location shows a wise choice on the part of the early settlers, who selected it as a town site, as directly adjoining it on the south is a projection of land known as Willow Point, behind which with, comparatively speaking, small outlay in digging a channel for boats through the entrance into the bay, would render it a perfect harbor, as, in the enclosure, protection would be afforded from storms on all sides.