

same name, and fed by other streams, the outlets to other lakes, are capable by a judicious outlay of capital of giving employment to thousands of persons forming large manufacturing towns, giving thus a *home market* far more valuable from its security than any foreign market can be.

ABUNDANCE OF WATER, BEAUTY OF COUNTRY, AND ADAPTABILITY FOR CULTIVATION.

As may be gathered from the foregoing the supply of water, that great essential to health and comfort, is most abundant. The lands overflow with springs and brooks, the farmer not being obliged, as elsewhere, to dig for water, being able in most instances to supply his house and farm buildings by a very small outlay for bored wooden pipes. Several rivers traverse the district, which, beside their excellent varieties of fish, afford as above noticed many valuable mill-sites. The River St. Francis and its tributaries (the Salmon River, the Eaton River, the Coaticook, the Massawippi, the Memphramagog, &c.), the River Nicolet, the east branches of the Yamaska, the Becancour, and the Chaudiere, with numerous lakes, some of which are of considerable extent, afford their natural advantages to every one, free of any restriction. Amongst the lakes, that of Memphramagog, situate sixteen miles from Sherbrooke, ranks first for beauty of scenery, combined with utility. It is the head waters of the river of the same name, which, by its junction with the St. Francis, at Sherbrooke, affords the splendid water-power at this latter town. It is forty-five miles in length, by an average width of from one and a half to two miles, and the scenery, in its combination of mountain and water, its