

A PROSPECTIVE VIEW OF TORONTO.

ONE of the chief studies of every true citizen is the growth and development of the city in which he was born, or where he has spent the greater part of his life. The position of importance which any great commercial centre may eventually hold is due almost entirely to the individual energy of its citizens, and if they fail to take a large hearted interest in all that concerns the present and future welfare of their own city, they are indeed unworthy of the name of citizen. For, as Emerson tells us—"To accomplish anything excellent, the will must work for catholic and universal ends."

"Unless above himself he can
Erect himself, how poor a thing is man!"

One of the most pleasing features connected with the rapid growth of Toronto is the increasing regard for its future prosperity which dominates the minds of its citizens. Those who see in the future of this great city, wide capabilities of its usefulness and the ultimate realization of all their brightest hopes are the true friends of its inhabitants. For there are many ways in which, both as a community and as individuals, we may aid in helping forward the general growth and advancement of our city; to do which it is not necessary to be a member of the City Council or be prominent in public affairs: improvements in a neighborhood or street are often brought about by the