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## SEA-SIDE PICTURES.

### THE COAST OF MAINE AND MOUNT DESERT.\*

WE are apt to complain in Canada that Lord Ashburton, in 1842, bartered away our right to a considerable slice of the State of Maine. We have retaliated, however, by taking possession of the loveliest portion of the State in the loveliest season of the year. From November to May, whoever likes may claim the ownership of the bleak sea coast; but from June till October, a populous Canadian colony will be found at its famous seaside resorts.

First, a word as to how to reach this favourite summer playground. Most tourists from Western Canada go and return by the Grand Trunk Railway, which offers considerable inducements by way of return tickets. But the ride is long and fatiguing. Far better is it, in our judgment, to take the steamer from Toronto to Ogdensburgh—sailing by daylight through the Thousand Islands—and the railway from that place to Portland. This railway runs through some of the grandest scenery in America. Indeed, it is said that no railway east of the Rocky Mountains equals it for magnificence of mountain surroundings. After crossing Lake Champlain at Rouse's Point, the road soon

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