

the Company's returns, will arise. Passing, therefore, in review the shores of that Lake, we perceive many rising and flourishing ports, we see manufactories, and towns, backed by a vast extent of productive country, and we also perceive two canals communicating directly with the Ocean. In fact when the projected improvements on the River St. Lawrence, shall have been completed, two routes will be opened to the Atlantic ; by the St. Lawrence, and by the Erie Canal, and by either of these routes, goods might be shipped in Europe, and delivered in Brantford, with only two transshipments, and without having to undergo any land carriage whatever.

The imports through the line of the Grand River Navigation, will consist of merchandize, to supply the stores and villages, in and about Brantford, Iron ware from Long Point—salt, glass, pork, &c. from the American States. The exports will be very large, consisting of wheat, flour, agricultural produce, whiskey, shingles, Plaster of Paris in large quantities, Pine timber from above Brantford, Oak staves, and the whole of the manufactured timber, (beyond what is wanted for home consumption) from the several saw mills situated on the Company's works, and on the upper parts of the Grand River, and of its tributary streams, as far as they are navigable for rafts. Great advantages are secured to the proprietors of saw mills on the Company's works, by the late arrangements with regard to the pine timber, growing on the lands of the six Nations Indians. The government has appointed a resident Officer, whose duty it is to preserve that timber from depredations, and to dispose of it, under certain conditions, and at reasonable rates, to the proprietors of saw mills on the Company's works, for whose benefit and use, it is believed that it will be exclusively reserved. The quarries of Plaster of Paris on the banks of the River, are almost inexhaustible, and in many parts, yield a material of the very finest quality. There are also several salt springs on the Indian reserve, which have been surrendered to the Crown by the Indians, and which the officers of the Indian department have been instructed to lease on equitable, and liberal terms. The business of flouring for exportation, may be carried on with great advantage at any point of the Company's works, as wheat can be delivered at the mills at a moderate cost of transport, by the line of the navigation, and the flour can be conveyed to its destination, by the same means. The wheat can be procured in any quantity, from Lake Erie, or from Brantford, or from the country about Hamilton, by the projected rail road. Indeed the inducements which present themselves to manufacturers, and capi-