The river Nen empties itself into lake Ontario, in the township of Pickering, east of the Scarborough heights; it runs from a considerable distance in the country through Scarborough, Markham, &c. crossing the Yonge-street, and apparently rising in the vicinity of one of the branches of Holland's river, with which it will probably, at some future period, be connected by a canal. This river abounds with fish; at its embouchure are good intervals for meadow ground, and it is the back communication from German settlement in Markham to lake Ontario.

York, which is, at present, the seat of government of Upper Canada, lies in about 43 degrees and 35 minutes north latitude, and is most beautifully situated within an excellent harbour of the same name, made by a long peninsula, which embraces a bason of water sufficiently large to contain a considerable fleet. It has this advantage over the other ports on lake Ontario, that vessels may ride safely at its entrance, during the winter.