

and the glory of the place. Beyond the city, toward the west, Dundas is dimly seen, nestling among its hills; and, sweeping around it, the same escarpment on which we stand, once forming the shore of the ancient lake, trends away to the northeast till it is lost to view beyond the bold projection of Flamborough Head. The level plain at our feet reaches out toward the east, covered with orchards and vineyards, checkered with squares of waving grain, and variegated with dark clumps of forest trees and the comfortable homes and massive barns of well-to-do farmers. A little to the right we see the long sandy beach which separates Burlington Bay from Lake Ontario. It is nearly five miles long, and is covered from end to end with the cottages of summer residents. At its northern end the remains of the former residence of the famous Indian chieftain, Joseph Brant, or Thayendanege, form part of the present Brant House, and immediately to the east of that is the lovely village of Burlington, embowered in trees and surrounded by orchards. About midway of the beach we see the Burlington canal, with its long lines of piers stretching out into the lake on the one hand and into the bay on the other. The white lighthouses and the two iron swing bridges by which the canal is crossed lend picturesqueness to this channel, which gives Hamilton water communication with the great lakes. And beyond the beach the broad, blue waters of Lake Ontario—loveliest of all the great lakes of the world—reach out to the far horizon. Wooded shores rim it round with a border of dark green, and over its placid deeps white-winged yachts and merchant vessels sweep before favoring gales on their errands of pleasure or of trade. Amid such surroundings, made glorious by the hand of Nature, and prosperous by the industry of man, lies the city of Hamilton. It enjoys the blessings of a fine climate, pure water, and the neighborhood of a country which, for the wide range of its fruits and cereals, cannot be surpassed in the world, while

The warbling woodland, the resounding shore,
The pomp of groves, the garniture of fields,

unite to make it an ideal dwelling place, one in which industry gives a competence to the humblest, and in which the strong arm of just laws gives security to the honest citizen.

Hamilton lies just north of the forty-third parallel of latitude. It is 570 miles farther south than London, 370 miles farther south than Paris, and is just a little farther south than Marseilles,