

Just below Hudson the lake narrows to a half mile in width, and as soon as the steamer rounds the long wooded point on our right, we come in sight of

Como. This is a beautiful and charming summer resort, perhaps the most picturesque of all the many delightful spots on the Lake of Two Mountains, where there are several fine substantial summer residences. Como is renowned for its grand shade trees of oak and elm, which completely overshadow the high-road. There is a first-class boarding-house here, "Willow Place" (Madame Brasseurs's), which is celebrated for its excellent table and comfortable accommodation, and is patronized by Americans as well as Canadians.

H. R. H. the Duke of Connaught, while on a duck-hunting expedition late in the fall of 1869, when an officer of the Rifle Brigade, stayed at Riversmead, Como, the guest of the late R. W. Shepherd (President of the Ottawa River Navigation Company); and it was then that His Royal Highness enjoyed his first sleigh drive in Canada, going from Como to Vaudreuil, on the Grand Trunk line, seven miles distant.

There are some fine apple orchards at Como, where the choicest Canadian apples are cultivated for the English market.



One of the "Royal Oaks," Como.