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The region of country forming the Western Peninsula of Canada (which this Road is designed to open up as the main highway of Western travel) if separated from the Eastern portion of the Province by a line following the valley of the Grand River, from Lake Erie to the Falls of Elora, and thence extending to Georgian Bay on Lake Huron, embraces the finest portion of British North America. Comprising ten million acres of most fertile land, watered by numerous streams and rivers, unbroken by mountains, ridges or lakes, and possessing an invigorating and healthy climate. No country is better adapted for the production of the leading staple which is the basis of the wealth and commerce of an agricultural community. The result is already progressively developing itself. In factories, mills, macadamized and plank roads, canals, harbours;—in the breadth of exuberantly fertile land now cultivated, it needs but the desideratum of Railroads to give added stimulus to labor and capital, to enable this vast and prosperous region of country to compare favorably with the finest portion of Western New York.

A line of Railroad which commends itself to public favor, by opening up to the commercial enterprize of the Atlantic and intermediate Cities of the United States so rich and fertile a country throughout an extent of eighty miles, to near the centre of this great peninsula ought, without other recommendation, to invite the ready investment of capital in its construction; for in a country where the want of the ordinary facilities to trade and travel now everywhere else provided by Railroads, is a positive marvel, it does not admit of doubt that a large and profitable traffic must immediately follow the completion of any well selected route.

But to these uncommon advantages, the geographical situation of