

Parry Sound and Nipissing Colonization Roads. Here there is a post-office named Ashdown, a large hotel kept by Mr. Richard Irwin and several good stores ; there is also a blacksmith's shop, and the prospects of the place are cheering.

MAGANETAWA.

Maganetawa is situated half way between Rosseau Junction (at the head of Lake Rosseau), and Lake Nipissing, and is about 31 miles distant from both. James Miller, the first settler in this section, located here in October 1868, his nearest neighbour at that time resided at Rosseau Junction ; his example has encouraged others to follow, and now there is a good settlement and considerable clearing, some having not less than 30 acres under cultivation. A village is just starting, and at this point a store and post-office are much wanted. Land seekers have now the advantage of a good colonization road, the soil is a good clay loam, and it is asserted by some that there is no less than 80 per cent of it fit for cultivation. There is a splendid water privilege here on which Mr. Miller is erecting a saw-mill ; a good Sabbath-school is also kept up for the benefit of the children. I have no hesitation in stating that Maganetawa will yet be a place of considerable importance, its situation is excellent.

HUNTSVILLE.

Huntsville is situated on the Vernon River, near its mouth or confluence with the waters of Fairy Lake, in the Township of Chaffey. The Huntsville post-office was opened January, 1870. Two stores are now being built, with cheering prospects, on the part of the spirited proprietors, of doing a good business. The Muskoka Road has been extended to this place a few months ago, and a very substantial bridge spans the waters of the Vernon. Lakes Vernon, Fairy and Peninsula, are all beautiful sheets of water in this vicinity, abounding with a great variety of fish ; while their sloping banks and beautiful forests have rendered them objects of delight to the admirers of rural scenery. The land in the vicinity of these Lakes is of a superior quality, which is being rapidly cleared of its timber ; and waving fields of grain, with the most abundant crops of potatoes, &c., amply reward the enterprising settlers for their toil.

Maple, elm, basswood, hemlock, birch and iron wood, may be regarded