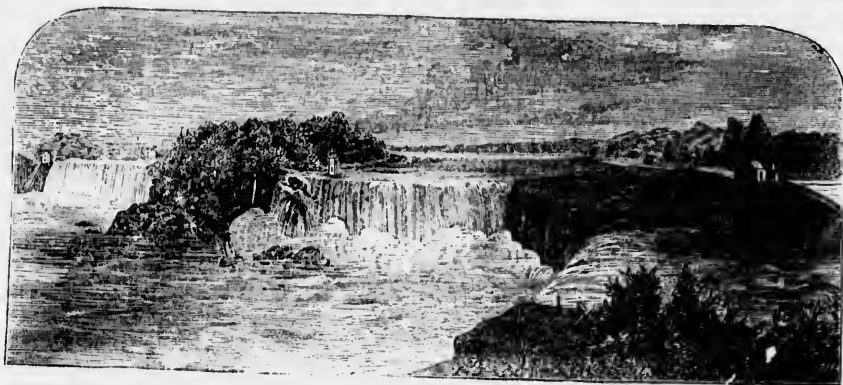




FALLS OF NIAGARA.

9. The *surface* of the Dominion is very picturesque and interesting. Two chains of mountains of moderate elevation extend along the valley of the St. Lawrence. The Province of Ontario contains the finest *lakes* in the world; they discharge their waters into the Atlantic through the majestic St. Lawrence.

10. Most of its *rivers* are rendered interesting by their falls, among which may be particularly remarked the Falls of Niagara, one of the greatest marvels of nature.

11. The *products* of the Dominion in most part arise from agriculture and the fisheries, which are the most productive in the world. Mines of gold, copper, coal, petroleum springs, etc., also abound.

12. *Industry and Commerce* are very prosperous, principally of late years. After the United States, it is the most commercial country of America. Numerous railroads and canals which run through various parts of the country, are favorable to its commerce. *Telegraph lines* connect the different Provinces of the Dominion (and messages are sent to foreign places.)

13. *Ottawa*, capital of the Dominion, is beautifully situated on the right bank of the Ottawa River; it is making rapid progress since it was

chosen as the seat of Parliament. The Chaudière Falls, near the city, are very remarkable, and attract many tourists.

LESSON XXI.

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC.

Area : 193,355 sq. m.—*Population* ; 1,191,600.

1. The Province of Quebec is situated on both sides of the St. Lawrence from the Province of Ontario to the Atlantic. Its scenery is very picturesque.

2. The Laurentides, in the north, and the Alleghanies, in the south, are the principal mountain ranges.

3. The *climate* is severe in winter; but in summer and autumn, very agreeable, and salubrious at all times.

4. The principal *river* is the St. Lawrence, one of the finest in the world; it traverses the Province in all its length; its principal affluents on the north are: the Ottawa, the St. Maurice, and the Saguenay which forms Lake St. John, the largest lake in the Province; those on the south are, the Richelieu, St. Francis, the Chaudière, and several others.

5. Five-sixths of the *inhabitants* are French-Can-