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## WOODSTOCK AND LAKT GRIE RAIIWAY.

1. Q. By John $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{H}}$-R-L-N, Esq.-I belitere the Canadas will be given up, and the Railways taken possession of by the Anericans, and the debt will then be repudiated.
$A$, This is rented by their coiduct in Mexico and Texas, as they have not destroyed, taken possession of, or injured private property in these countries. On the contrary, in Canada they have wholly constructed the Niagara Bridge, and taken mosi of the Thates of the Canadian Great Western Railway. They are most anxious to promote our inland western connmunication, for their own increase of commercial advantage, which they know good roads will grently facilitate; and if the Canadas were given up to America to-murrow, they would be ureatly improved, while under British rule they never will: proven from the energy of the one country, and the want of it in the other. On Lake Erie the Americans fully employ 80 Steam Boats, above 300 Ships, Briggs and Schooners. Their cor:merce and fisiezies supply their own and many foreign countries; hundreds of Railways intersect their lands, to open out fresh sources of wealth, and give increased employment to the industrious, aull not a beggar is to be seen. On the English side of this Lake, there is but one Steam Boat (tie London),

 made wholly English in 1796, frons French disaffection and rebellion, to become loyal, peaceable and happy,
2. Q. By Engineer J. B-D, Esq,-Yeople here can hardly bel.eve that you can construct your Riallway at $£ 1100$. sterling a mile, or $£^{1200}$. currency
A. It should be stated, thea it is the report of an Engineer who has already constructed one of these cheap Railwars, from Hamilton to the Stone Quarrics (of five miles, now worn out, as the top iron was omitted from want of funds, or apathy), who states from experience, that the price to square the sleepers, tues and sills, should not exceed 10 s a hundrell feel. This expense is only f 160 a mile. But if a workman squares only fify feet, le will gain five shillings a day; this is very good pay for a labourer. So that as the grading and trencling of the line is trifling, from the general flatness of its course, and the wood and waylcave being given, the estimated cost of $£ 1100$. sterling a mile will be amply sufficient for a single rail. But to convince any one how cheaply roads can be consiructed in Western Canada, the plank road from Chatham to Hamilton, of about 130 miles, was contracted for by Engineer Peter Carrall, for $£ 500$ a mile, of 24 feet broad; to be laid with 3 inch planks on sleepers, and breadth of the plank road 12 feet, the planks to be pegged down with 8 -inch irou nails; and he has made a fortune by it. This plank road is let to A. (\%. Whitehead, Esq. J.P., for 12 per cent., and he also is realizing a fortune by it. What ought this Railway to return, when it has twenty times this traffic upon it? And it can be taken at 15 per cent. when completed, at any time, by respectable parties, who will give ample security for it. If unbelief still prevals, the Commintee will bet from ten ihousand to one hundred thousand pounds with any one, that this road of 40 miles can be made for $£ 44,000$. by Canadian Engineers, provided the way-leave and wood are given, as stated to he offered to the Company.
3. Q. By M. W-Ts, Evy.-You assert that each of these 147 Saw Mills can cut 6000 feet of plank a day, and that tie Saw Millers will send it by the Railway to be sold. Where is the market, when not half of it is sold at present from the Lake Shore to America ?
A. The interior Saw Mills, nine-tenths in number, fram want of good roids, and distance to the Lake Erie, can only at present sell a very small quantity to their iminediate neighbours, and this often jor barter; but it would be widely different with a Railway to tike it to the Lake in two hours, and thence to the American States, which pay ready money for It. In the Prospectus only one-fourth of this lumber is estimated; notwithstanding the profits are 20 per cent. which inust greatly inciease. The Committee believe it is better to give a Iow estimate till the market is fully ascertained, although J. Moore, Esq., a Timber merchant, conversant in these maters, declares the American market will take all the lumber which can be deliverell, if'the price be reduced; as, from its present dearness, hey now use inostly Beech, Elin, White Ash and Plane Tree Plank. And us the Company can sell it at halfits present price, the Millers will not only send the luinber, but it will then find a ready market. The Coast being without Ports, is a great detriment to the sale of the timber (as Schooners a mile from the shore can only receive it from Scows), to obviate which, tine Company intend to construct two substantial Harbours, when not only the coast Millers, but the interior ones alvo, who do not now sell any plank to the Americans, will obtan a very great increase of sale, and the reduction of the price will unprecedentedly increase the demand.
4. Q. By M. W-tas, Esq.-Can Mr. Neaves's report be lepended on ?.
A. Mr. Neives is our High Constable, whose claracter is well known for the last 12 or 14 years to he most excelleni. He was specially sent three times round the Mills, as the first and second times he omitted to obtain the fullest iuformation. He had no cause to sweive from the truth, as it would be indifferent to him low many, or how few, were the Mills; besides, it is well known there are vast numoers of Sanv and Flour Mitls in the District. There are a great many at and beyond lngersoll, which will no doubs send their timber by the Railway, but he neglectei' to visit these. At other places there are Steam Saw Mills, Smeiting Mills, Tanneries, Fulling Mills, whose e:irrinue of produce will greatly increase the Company's profits, but which are not given, as their produce was not exactly known.
5. Q. By Ifev. Henay L-T.-Could not other Railways be established in oppositoon to yours, near you, to compete in this lumbe" rade, and thus decrease your velid?
d. This could never happent, as the only Pine and Oak in this Western Country is immediately South of Woodstock (except to the North and near (Owen's Sound), and therefore any side Railways, unless thera was this Yiut and Oak, Mill sites, and Mils to cut this pine, and IIarbours to take it, so cat, abroad, which there are not any, could not be sustained; but to obviate all competition, a branch ruad is included in the Charter, which secures the whole field of Pine timber to the Company.
6. Q. By J. B -D, Esq.-Do you expect any travellers from the American states, to cross by your Railway from Buffalo and Cleveland?
A. There are great numbers of the most rexpectable classes leave the South American States to avoid the yellow fever ; thesc mostly come up the Mississippi and Olio Kivers and Ohio Canal, to Clevelaud, nud from thence proceed by land to Butfalo, ind visit all the northern towns and watering places during the suinmer months; a number of emigrauts come up also, desircus of setting in the far west, not less than 300 a day. Both these classes will naturally cross froin Cleveland to Woodstock, by the Company's Steam Boats, the one to proceed Eastward to Toronto, Kingston, \&c., the other to proceed to Detroit, cutting off half the journey ia both cases, and thus avold going all round the Lake by bad roads to Buffalo.
7. Q. By J. i3-D, Esq.-Have you any fisherius ?
A. The Company inean to establish them at Long Point, where thousands of Sturgcon and Salmon-Trout are to be caught, and by the Railway can be sent to Woodstock and all parts of the Province, packed in ice. The experiment has been tried, and above 100 SalmonTrout and Surgeon were caught at a haul, but from want of roads, ice houses, salt, \&c., were unproductive and the trade given up, while the Americaus opposite contrive to sell thousands of barrels of fish, ard send them to all parts of the world. Seealso Mrs. Jameson's account of Detruit and Sandwich, to the reproach of the English, and loss of trade.
8. Q. By J. B—D, Esq.-Will not the Lake be frozen in winter, and stop all your Markets?
d. The Lake is frozen within half a mile of its edge, and this will prevent the timber being sent in winter for four mouths; but in Autumn the Company will take care to supply their depôts on the American side with sufficient lumber for all demands, but the fisheries can be carried on in wimter by breaking lioles in the ice. As the winters in this Western Country are as mild as in England, and the summers much finer, the Railway can act the whole year round, and will supply the towns to be established from Woodstock to the Lake with sufficient traffic to employ the Locomotives, but of course with less activity at these times. The snow is seldon deeper than three inches, and will disappear altogether when the country is cleared, as the latitude is at $43^{\circ}$ north, being $8^{\circ}$ scuth of the Isle of Wight; and there are 110 high mountains in tie whole of Western Canada to perpetuate the winter.
9. Q. By M. W -TRs, Esq.-You state that the Woodstock Railway will afford permanent employment to 6 or 7000 poor. It will be important to be assured of this.
A. There are now 147 Saw Mills, and 30 more to be added with 27 Flour Mills, will make 204 Mille. Admit 6 Steam Mills, which will cut 12,000 feet of plank a day. The two Harbours when constructed, with the three Depôts on the Canadian, and seven on the American side, to receive the plank timber, with 2 Steam Roats, 20 larye Schooners, 9 to 12 Locomotives, 160 Wagons, 3 Passenger Cars and 17 Slations, will give einployment to the number of men slated. Proven as follows :-
 produce 1000 feet of plank, and each Mill can cut 6000 feet a day; this gives 30 logs, which 6 Fir Trees supply. These two men cut down a tree perhaps a mile from the Saw Mill (the intermediate wood, not belonging to the Miller, is strewed with vast numbers of logs in all directions, and impediments of brush, is most difficult to pass); the tree cut down is divided into 5 or 6 twenty-feet lenghs, with a cross cut saw, as many of the trees are 200 feet long; they then have to clear a road through the wood, and they can barely draw two or three logs to the Mill in a day, for which the Miller pays them with the half of the cut plank. Each log has three sorts of plauk in it,-- cood, hetter, best. The good sells for 4 dollars 1000 feet, or often less at the Miil; the better for, six, the best for eight, making each 3000 feet of the three sorts, to cost $£ 4.10$ s.; the half of this due to the two men, when sold, amounts to $£ 2.3 \mathrm{~s}$.; but it takes fuil six days to draw these 15 logs to the Mill, and consequently each man only receives $£ 1.2 \mathrm{~s} .6 \mathrm{~d}$. a week wages, or ahout 3 s .6 d . a dav, so that a log cutter is often hard worked, but if the wood is nearer, he may earn a dollar a day. It follows then that the 177 Saw Miilis will each employ 30 ment, multiplied by 177 make 5,310 men. Then each Saw Mill will require two men to attend it, to cut these logs into plank; or 354 men The 27 Flour Mills will require 3 men, or 81 men. The six Steam Miils will take 62 inen to attend them, and bring the logs to the Mill; 248 men. The two Ifarbours 30 men each, to load the two Steam Boats, 20 Schooners and Craft; all these men the Millers will puy, With 150 Men for the Slipping, and the 11 Stations 22 men. These are $100+5,310+354+81+248+150+22=$ make 6,265 men. There are besides, many Engineers, Stokers to attend the Locomotives, Blacksniths to repair them, Guards to attend them, numerous Overseers, Clerks, and lailway Servants to attend the Passenger Cars, will make the numbers not far short of 6,500 men. Besides the ahove work, the Oak trees when cut are first squared, and sent whole to the Port; the knees also for ship building, Black Walnut for Furniture, Gun Stocks, \&c.; Shingle Bolts and Staves, which will employ full 200 men more to supply the English, American, and Canadian Markets, amounting altogether to about 7000 men, who would he kept fully employed, so long as the woods lasted, and llien the whole country South of Woodstock producing Wheat (as the ground is in general of first-rate agriculural quality), this short Railroad will do an enormous good, not only to give permanent employment to so many poor, but will stir up the too-lcthargic Districts to equally exert themselves to afford them employment, to clear the forest ands, and to people this woble Country with English Emigrants, whichr otherwise, from neglect, will remain barren wastes for ever while under the thoughtless Canadian or English rule; but changing hands, under American energy would shame the Mother Country, and at once become the finest State in the world.
10. $Q$. You say you mean to establish several towns on the Railway between Woodstock and the Lakc, aud to build then will necessarily require. many million feet of timber, the carriage of which will swell the Company's profits.
d. Yes.--The Committee propose to erect a town at every seven miles distance; allowing these to bceight intermediate, and two Harbour cowns, and one at Woodstock, will give eleven towns ; which in ten or fifteen years (is has beell proven in Michigan and Woodstock), will increase the profits of the Company at little cost (according 10 the following plan). The Engineer, at every scvell miles distance on the Railway, will demand from the residing Farmer if he be inclined to join the Company in forming a town on his property; under the condition of dividing the profits together whenl it is formed. If he answers yes, and signs a deed to this effect, the land of 640 acres is then surveyed into streets and town building lots, six lots to the acre, each 66 feet front with 100 feet rear The Company guarintees to build a commodious Church, Sclool-House, and Tavern; and to make it a station. These will be built with the first money to spare, and the owner of the land cultivates the property as before, except the lots that are sold, for whicll he obtains half the price of interest. The first lots are then sold, or rather let (for no money is paid down), for $£ 2$. each lot, on condition that the purchaser builds a good two-story frame liouse, with four rooms of 18 feet long, 10 feet high, and 16 feet broad, costing from $£ 100$. to $£ 200$. Then the second lots are sold at $£ 7$ a lot, under a similar tenure; the ihird lots, for $£ 14$. a lot, with a like agriement ; the fourth lots at $£ 20$. a lot ; the fifh lots at $£ 30$. il lol ; and the sixth lots at £35. a lot ; the tntals of which are as follow (it being undcrsiood that the streets occupy about 100 acres, as they will all be 100 feet wide. and 40 acres will be reserved for a public gardcn; there will be 500 acres left, giving 3,000 lots); - first losts at $£ 2$ : $=£ 1,000 . ;+$ second lots, at $£ 7 .=£ 3,500 ;+$ third lots, at $£ 14 .=£ 7,000 . ;+$ fourth lats, at $£ 20=£ 10,000 . ;+$ fifth lots, at $£ 30 .=£ 15,000$.; + and the sixth lots, at $£ 35 .=£ 17,500 .=£ 54,000$. Deduct $£ 6,000$. for the Church of each town, having 800 seats ; ditto $£ 1,500$. forVicarage 11 ouse and two acres of garden; do. $£ 1,000$. for free School House and Play Ground; do. $£ 1,000$. for Station and Tavern, and $£ 500$. for the Market Place: making in all $£ 10,000$.; leaves $£ 44,000$. for both parties of $£ 22,000$., for which the awner of the estate receives 6 per cent. interest, and the Company also this amount from the town lot owners, of $£ 1,320$. rent a year each to the Company, and the like to the owner. Seven hundred pounds a year the Incumbent of the Church would receive, widl woo acres for his house and garden; the School-Master receiving $£ 500$ a a year, with $£ 33$. allowed him by the Government, will make the salary $£ 530$. The overplus of $£ 120$. will br held in reserve for whatever other improvements the inhabitanis of each town may desire, to satisfy the people, who are eniaged at the long negiect of the Goverament to improve their roads and condition, seeing how the Americans prosper by their wtention to booll, and which aunply repay their cost, while they sell all their waste lands, and colorize the country to their enrichment. Thus the plantiug of the Protestint Religion, with the erection and endowment of eleven free Churches, together with eleven Schools, would ie insured to this inland district in the successful establislmment of tlie Company, for the great benefit of Western Canada.
11. Q. Ry J. Eng-h, Esq.-Would not the capitalists of Boston and New York be likely to promote your Railway beyond any ther people, as they must know the present ligh price of the timber sent to them, and be oesirous to reduce it?
A. Uadoubtedly, If the shares are not all soon taken in England, they will gladly be taken by the Bostonians, if offered to them ; but then the Western Canadas will be in their hands-and considering that nearly all the Great Western Canadian Ilailway Shares und Niagara Bridge, are beld by them also-these two thoroughfares will place all the commerce of this western country in the American hands. Let England look to it. Then the real worth of Western Canada will be developed, to the sole advantage of her rival, and then only wilf John Bull discover his mistake, in the studied neglect of this her Noblest Province-and as Sam Slick (the Clock Maker), jusily says, "If she only knew but its worth, she would be clever, but she don't." Query, Why hold a Province in barbarism and misery? Better give it up, to those who would appreciate its worth-or sell it-rather than hold it in discontent and degradation. In proof of this, look at the state of Michigan, so lately given up by the English to America, which was then a complete wilderness (like what Canada now remains), with 100 million of wastes; these are all sold and cultivated. Five llailways already traverse it, and an intersecting Canal, which amply repay their cost: 15 large towns, with as many villages, are on one Railway alone, from Detroit to St. Joseph. Their Lakes swarm with Slips and Merchandise, and they are prosperous, contented and happy. IIow lucky, for their, it was so given up to America, and thus saved it from the humiliating condition in which Canada now remains 1 who have also a hundred million of acres, but unsold and uncultivated, and which would pay treble the price of 4000 miles of clieap Railway, the labour on which could establish ten generations of the starving poor at home, on ten acres each, and yearly repay the debt of taking them out, and colonizing them, as well as clearing the land, \&c., which can be satisfactorily proven. Read this, ye Parish Vestries, and thus provide for your increasing poor, if only to reduce your
poor's rates, strengthen the liands of the Government, and uprnot discontent in England, and rebellion in Canada, ere it be too late!

## The number of Sazo Mils, their Iownships, and No. of their Lots, which propose to send Plank by the Woodstock Railway to Lakie Erie und America.




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TOWNSHIP OF OAKLAND.
Sliham Malcolm..................................... 10 ....... 2 ...... Saw Mill.
Wiliam Abbott .......................... 10 ....... 1 ...... Do. ${ }^{6}$ Two run Flour Mllı. Oakland-2 Saw, and I Flour Milis.

TOWNSIIIP OF EAST OXFORD.
Henry Thornton aud Co. ........... 21 ...... 1 ...... Two-run Flour \& Saw Mill. Calviu Martin...
Jonathan Fride ........................... 21 ....... 6 ...... Do.
Henry Finkle ................................ 20.12 ....... 1 ....... Do. Saw Flour \& Fullug Do.


TOWNSHIP OF NORTII OXFORD.


TOWNSHIP OF WEST OXFORD.
John Cook .i........................... 22 ...... 1 ....... Saw and Plelr 111.
Four Saw Mills. Names omitted, by neglect of Mr. Neavea.
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West Oxford-5 Saw, and I Floar Mills.



## TOWNSIHIP OF NORWICIF.

James Dennis \& J. C. Enugh ....... 16
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J ....... Saw Mill.

m. Carrol \& 11. Van valken burg
...... ...... Saw Mlli.
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TOWNSIIP OF BLENHAM.
O. Benboilborne

No.e-Two new Flour Mills to be added, hot returned in the Assessmen Roli, also Three Saw Mills. Blenham-17 Satw, and \$ Flowr Mllb.

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Willam Dean.........
Danlel Moore..........
Benjamin Vanorman
Patrick Donahue
Porbes and Co...
Franklin Hawlins
John Snilth and Co
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Making 147 Saw, 6 Steam, 27 Flour, 7 Cloth


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