SOME CANADIAN SCENERY.

A Beautiful Valley—The Fishing Islands of Lake Huron.

That Ontario possesses some bits of landscape as pretty as can be found in the world is the verdict of travelers who know of what they are talking. The Advance has decided to write up a few sketches of pastoral and other scenes, which it ventures to hope will be found of some interest to its readers; some of whom, however, may have viewed for themselves the scenes we depict, but if so they will probably find them pleasant to recall, and can compare their own impressions with ours. We would be happy to receive other sketches from those of our readers who have anything suitable in their mind's eye and are willing to place them upon paper. To begin with, and very near home, we will notice

THE QUEEN'S VALLEY.

This beautiful vale lies directly north of Flesherton, with its termination, or head proper, about two miles distant. It is one of the most picturesque pastoral scenes in the world. It has not the sublime beauty of some Scottish glens, nor the frowning surroundings of Rocky Mountain gorges, but takes in a wide landscape, beautiful in outline, subdued in its coloring, and exceeding restful and pleasing to the eye. From whatever point it is approached the view is superb, and will linger long in the memory of the traveler who sees it for the first and last time. Perhaps one of the prettiest views is that obtainable on the road from Eugenia to Kimberley, where it begins to descend; and the most favorable season of year is when the golden fields of grain, waving in its fertile depths, are checkered off into blocks alternating with patches of emerald woodland. The view extends here for eight miles to the north from hill to hill. At your left the valley is probably two miles across, from 700 to 800 feet in depth, and descends quite abruptly. Cultivated farms of great fertility line its sides and slumber in its depths. The Beaver river winds through its bottom lands and forms the angler's haven of bliss. At the bottom of the valley due north lies the little village of Kimberley, nestling below craggy rocks that rise on the east to a great height, and from the top of which, also, is obtained a most awe-inspiring view. The Queen's Valley, from its southern extremity to Thornbury, where it meets the Georgian Bay, is fully 22 miles long, and forms one of the most fertile strips of farming land in this whole Dominion. It is noted for its salubrious climate and healthy atmosphere. Kimberley, ten miles from Flesherton, is a growing and prosperous little village. The beautiful Queen's Valley is associated with our earliest recollections, and will remain with us to the end of life as a scene the beauties of which cannot be faithfully depicted upon paper or canvas. The pen seems too weak, and the painter's brush could only show bits here and there, whereas it requires the whole to make up this perfect picture.

THE FISHING ISLANDS.

On the eastern shore of Lake Huron, seven miles due west from Wiarton, on the Bruce peninsula, lie the Fishing Islands. They are easily found on any good map of Ontario. These islands lie in great number for a distance of six miles along the coast, and in a line distant from the shore of a quarter to two miles. The small village of Oliphant is situated on a bluff which formed at some period in past ages the shore line, but from which the water has now receded a hundred yards or more. The lake bottom at this point is of sand, level and hard, and the water is shallow for a long distance out towards the islands. This beautiful sandy bottom, at the present season of year, forms an extensive spawning-bed for innumerable black bass, which, a little later in the season, may be caught in large quantities with rod and line. Herring in shoals come inside the islands and disport themselves in shallow water. Salmon and pickerel inhabit the deeper waters, and an occasional sturgeon is captured. The islands are mostly small, but all have local cognomens, and on Main Station Island is a good wharf, stone house where supplies are kept, and several fishermen's residences. At least such was its condition when we visited the spot a few years ago. Other appropriate names are given to the smaller islands, such as "Bellmore's," "Smokehouse," "Squaw," "Whitefish," etc. These islands are all rocky, and are mostly covered with thin soil and a stunted undergrowth. They form a coast defence from the heavy storms which rage on the bosom of Lake Huron during the stormy seasons, such as only nature can supply, and the mountain waves from the west break in wild foam upon their rocks, while the inner waters are but slightly agitated. Years ago the inhabitants gained a considerable portion of their livelihood from wreckage washed ashore from unfortunate vessels. Many a barrel of flour and pork have been rescued from these waters to be added to the old settlers' frugal fare of fish and potatoes. And not infrequently, also, has the horrified wrecker discovered a ghastly floating remnant of humanity washed landward by the waves. Many an unmarked grave lies along this shore, the nameless occupant perhaps mourned far in some distant home, where wife, or parents, or brothers, or sisters, are dwelling in ignorance of the fact that the lost one has received a christian burial. On Whitefish Island stands a high, solitary cedar tree. It is trimmed of all branches nearly to the top, and pegs are driven into it at regular intervals up the trunk, forming a rude living ladder. The object of this ladder was a curiosity until we learned that it formed a lookout for enterprising fishermen who used it for the purpose of discovering the whereabouts of whitefish shoals, when they would draw a seine around the fish and haul them ashore. The islands are mostly used by fishermen for the curing of fish. They will probably remain as nature made them to a great extent, as the harbor is very shallow and the situation not good for a business centre. They would form very pleasant retreats for men of leisure to pass the hot summer months upon, indeed we can think of no more inviting a spot for such a purpose. The air is nearly always cool, with a soft breeze blowing, which whispers *dolce far niente* to the idler on these islets. In fancy even as we write can be heard the soft plash of the waves as they kiss the pebbled shore, and we can still see the white-winged fishing boats as they skim over the clear, cool waters.

Maxwell.

From our own Correspondent.

On Wednesday evening, May 15th, the people of Maxwell and vicinity were surprised to hear of the marriage of Mr. John Graham to a young lady of Collingwood. The ceremony took place at the residence of Mr. Graham about nine o'clock p.m. On Thursday evening they were serenaded by the boys.

Mr. J. Reid is shipping lumber to Toronto Junction for the purpose of building a number of houses, operation to commence about the 1st of June.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Fenwick are visiting friends about Maxwell. They look well and seem pleased to be back after an absence of six years.

Miss A. Horton, of Chicago, is visiting at Mr. Wm. Horton's.

Mr. J. Carr's stock of dry goods and groceries has been purchased by Mr. C. Mc. D. Williams who had it moved into his own store.

Mr. R. M. Heron left for Collingwood last week, where he intends staying all summer.

The 24th will be celebrated in Maxwell. The bills say we are to have a grand time.

Carter's two lambs, calf and dam, have been sold to Messrs. Cross & Lynn for $1000 cash. Since accepting that he has had offers as high as $1800. On Saturday 165 went to see them, on Sunday it was a perfect stream, but only a few were accorded the privilege. Manager Hill, of the Toronto Industrial, was one of the Sunday visitors. Monday a charge of 25 cents was made, but the visitors did not let up. What Messrs. Cross & Lynn intend doing with the freaks we have not heard.—[Beeton World.

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