# PICTON

# THE SCENIC TOWN OF CANADA THE ANGLER'S PARADISE HOME



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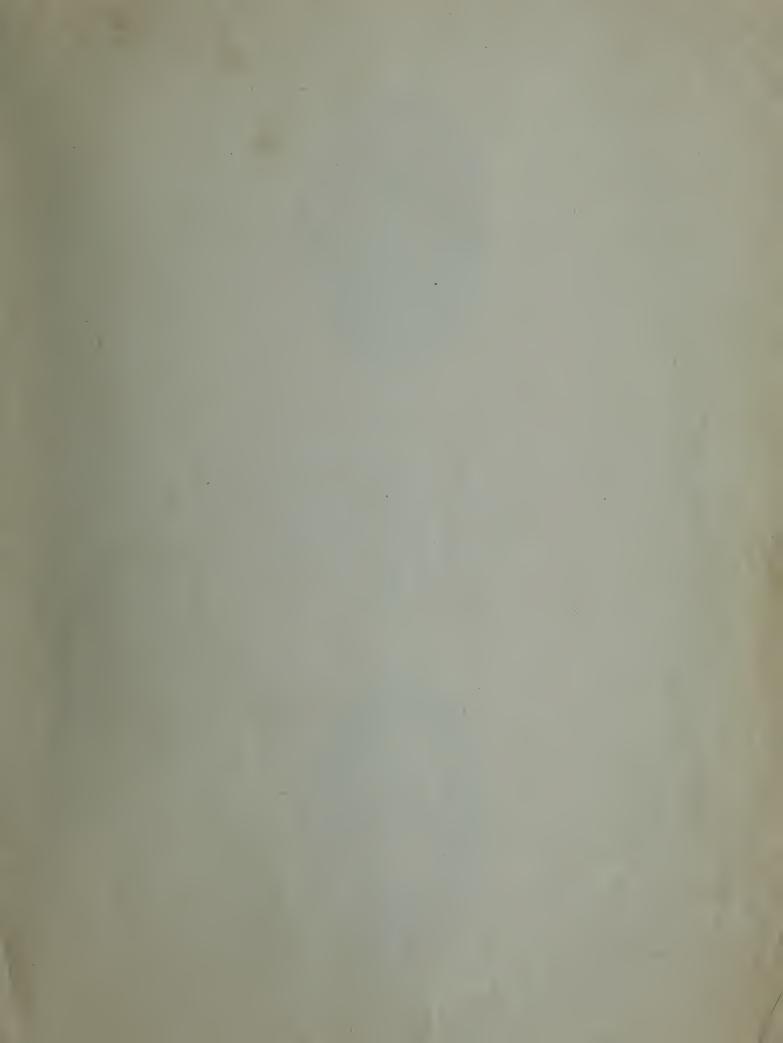
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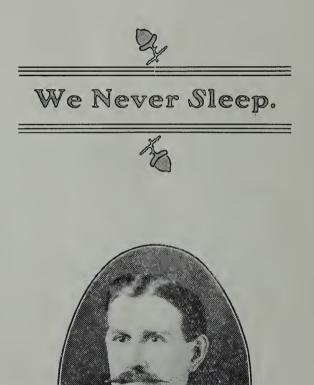


business since 1857, and started in a portion of the present premises, and although he is now in his eightysixth year, rarely misses a day from business. This firm occupy a building 54 x 136 feet. Three stories high with basement and have one of the finest and most up-to-date establishments to be found in Ontario, outside of the largest cities. They are direct importers of British, French and German Goods and a member of the firm visits the European markets every year, purchases being made direct from the manufacturers. Their patrons are assured of the newest goods procurable and at closest prices. They carry every line of of goods to be found in a first class Dry goods and Gents' Furnishing establishment and employ a large staff of competent salespeople who are always pleased to show you goods whether you wish to buy or not.





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## A Gift to Thee.

On page of thine I cannot trace The cold and heartless common-place— A statute fixed and marble grace.

For ever as these lines are penned, Still with the thought of thee will bend That of some loved and common friend—

Who in Life's desert track has madeHis pilgrim tent with mine, or strayedBeneath the same remembered shade.

And hence my pen unfettered moves In freedom which the heart approves— The negligence which friendship loves.

And wilt thou prize my poor gift less For simple air and rustic dress, And sign of haste and carelessness?

Oh! more than spacious counterfeit Of sentiment or studied wit, A heart like thine should value it.

Yet I fear my gift will be Unto thy book, if not to thee, Of more than doubtful courtesy.

Yet vainly on thy gentle shrine, Where Love, and Mirth and Friendship twine Their varied gifts, I offer mine.



Picton's Popular Mayor.



Picton from the Mountain.

#### TOWN OF PICTON.

What nobler honor could be paid Him, who on gory Waterloo, was laid; Than ever-more his memory keep Bright as the stars in heaven's deep? Oh, Picton, snuggled peacefully in the vale, Your history now we would unveil.





Picton-well does it become its name-"the centrepiece of Ontario's beautifully natural flower garden."

HIS busy little town with its wide, well-kept streets lined on either side with beautitul shade trees, lies snuggled away at the foot of a giant range of hills, whose thickly wooded flanks form a gorgeously retreshing back ground and sapphire-like boundary to the mirrored water —the most picturesque of all the branches of the Bay of Quinte—upon which the town has its frontage.

For its scenic beauty alone it is admired by the passing stranger, tourist and its ever-appreciative population, but this is not its only attraction. Nowhere throughout the length and breadth of this fair Dominion is such pure, invigorating air encountered as that which forms the atmosphere of not only this but the entire Quinte Bay district. Here diseases of a vital order are rarely met with among its healthy and prosperous inhabitants, whose numbers reach upwards of four thousand. Insect pests are an unknown quality and the seeker after health and rest, fresh from the busy throes of presentday city life, finds here one of the most ideal summer resorts on the continent. Indeed, in this respect the high-lands bordering the water's serpentine course, have long been far-famed, with the result that the emerald-cushioned woodlands are thickly dotted by the rustic cottages of campers who journey from far and near to spend the suufmer months in skimming gently o'er the limped waters of the bay, fishing along the high crested banks on either side or tramping through the majestic, windkissed woodlands beyond.



Picton is the capital of Prince Edward County, and is situated in Hallowell, the most important of the seven townships into which the county is divided. It first came into being in the early 17's and a cursory glance at its early history will, undoubtedly, prove interesting.

In 1796 Benjumin Hallowell, who, prior to his return to England in the year 1774, was Commissioner of Cus-

#### In Picton Harbor.

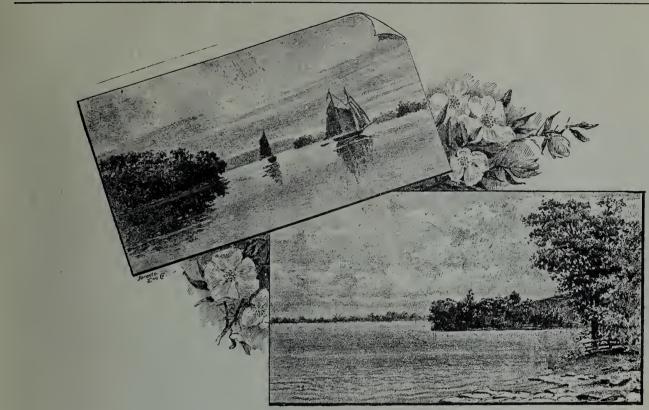
toms at Boston, but which position he had been forced to vacate owing to his marked devotion towards the cause of the Mother Country, again journeyed to America, this time settling in Toronto. In compensation for the losses he had sustained in the confiscation of his estates in Maine, he received land grauts in the then sparsely settled province known as Upper Canada. Among these



Looking East From Main Street.

a township in Prince Edward County, the same which now bears his name. Here at the head of the bay, a hamlet soon sprang into being under the name of Hallowell Bridge, As time wore on a rival village sprang up on the opposite s'de of the bay. This was founded by an English Church divine, Rev. Win, Macaulay, and by him named Picton in honor of his old friend and school-mate, Major - General Picton, who by the way, fo feited his life for his country under Wellington at Waterloo. On or about the year 1847 the two hamlets were amalgamated into a village;

grants was numbered a



Scenes on the Bay of Quinte.

which village has since grown into the flourishing town which still bears the veteran's honored name.

The site of the town is a masterpiece from the artistic hands of Nature and is without a doubt one of the most exquisitely molded beauty spots on the earth's surface. Along the eastern and western shores of the bay, possibly one hundred feet above the level of the water, lies the main residential portion of the town. Here, gradually sloping downward to the water's edge, are the well kept lawns surrounding the many palatial residences



which give to the panoramic view obtained from the hill beyond an admirable landscape effect, broken here and there by entwining inlets of sparkling water.

At the head of the bay and just at the foot of the towering, tree-decked hills is located the manufacturing



#### Apple Picking.

and business sections, while further south along the ridge lies the silent, beautiful resting places of the departed-Glenwood and Mt. Olivet cemeteries. If there is one thing more than another that the citizens of Picton pride themselves upon, it is their burying grounds. Though, to some, such may not appear over interesting reading, still the scene is well worthy of a passing glance. The location of Glenwood cemetery is, indeed, a naturally beautiful one. Lying as it does partially in a vale, not inappropriately known as "Paradise Valley," and extending well up the hillside, it encompasses in the neighborhood of seventy-five acres. On the other hand one finds rolling hills and shady glens, evidencing the artistic molding of nature, while through the valley below a sparkling stream of emerald-green water lends a finished touch to the beautiful scene. The gorgeous flower beds and well kept graves, crowned on all sides by many lovely trees, including pine, maple, balsam,



Along West Lake Shore.

beech, birch, spruce and elm, receive a further lively enlivenment from the numerous crystal-like fountains which mark several of the junctions of the delightfully shady walks which encircle the resting place of many of Picton's good and noble who have passed onward to higher and nobler spheres. And, as the visitor turns to retrace his steps, not infrequently does the thought focus itself before him : "What brighter or more pleasant aspect could the inevitable cloak itself in than the knowledge that though time will efface many of the beauty spots of this flowering country and sadden many of the now happy homes, a beautiful resting place will still remain wherein peace follows the ending of the trials and pains the wayfarer upon the rough, stern pathway of life encountered."

On the south-eastern corner of Glenwood lies Mount Olivet, or the Roman Catholic burying ground. It is also pleasantly situated along the creek's winding course and though its opening was of more recent date than



that of Glenwood, still it gives every promise of eventually becoming a very attractive necropolis.

Before passing onward let us view the town and its environments from the rugged crest of the hill beyond. To the right and across the deep valley lies the town proper, nestled among luxuriant shade trees, above the sparkling waters of the bay; while further on the eye rests for an instant upon the wide, fertile apple and grain lands, here and there dotted with green meadows, whose choice pasturage have aided so materially in making the County of Prince Edward famous for its cheese product. Beyond these again we follow the winding course of Picton Bay through waving grain fields and towering woodlands until it merges into the inner portions of Lake Ontario, known as East and West Lakes, whose





Stone Church.

glittering bodies and white crested waves appear as sunbeams radiating from the sparkling surface of a precious jewel. Onward yet a short space we note the faint outline of the gleaming sand binks – the greatest on the continent — which crown the shore of the lake proper. O'er this broad, panoramic horizon we gaze in admiration and although it would appear somewhat an exaggeration, still our naked eyes have travelled over a space between fifteen and twenty miles in extent.

Turning to the north our view is somewhat obscured by the rugged hill-land, bordered on all sides with beautiful trees, while here and there a virtual oasis among the dense growth of forest monarchs rises in [bold eminence almost to the sky. But, gazing over the smaller and between the higher growth of woodland, the range of hills beyond Belleville may be seen, rising majestically above the surrounding country and losing themselves in the clouds above.



Rev. S. C. Moore.



Main St. Methodist Church.

## Its Beautiful Driveways.

Pardonably proud are the citizens of their palatial residences and well-kept lawns and driveways. Indeed, Picton is one grand avenue, for, turn in any direction that the pedestrian chooses, he will find himself passing along between rows of giant shade trees, which, interlacing in the centre of the roadway, their branches form



Mountain Park.

an admirable arch down which one is fond to gaze. Radiating from the main thoroughfare in every direction are excellent driveways leading to the country. Speaking of avenues and trees it would be well to halt yet a moment and give mention to one, undoubtedly the most stately tree, among the beautiful galaxy which flanks the sidewalks on every street. On main street and barely a hundred yards from the Registry office, stands a giant elm tree, a pioneer of the virgin forest towering noble head far above the lesser trees about it. So close is its bulky trunk to the sidewalk that the passing stranger is quick to notice it and marvel at its size and height. Though this monarch has stood here since time unknown,



The Murray Canal.

no attempt has, to our knowledge, ever been made by the townspeople to ascertain its correct dimensions. Citizens have, undoubtedly, grown accustomed to it, but the passing stranger invariably pauses to admire it or make a guess at its girth and height. If asked regarding its dimensions the average citizen would be obliged to admit his ignorance on this point, although it is still within the recollection of the older residents the occasion of its being uprooted by a severe wind storm many, many years ago. Next day the upper portion was cut away and the remainder set back in place again. In a short space branches began to sprout from the point at which it had been cut



off, but for a time a portion rotted away just above the roots and here touch-weed formed. About fifteen or twenty years ago, or possibly more, there was a great cavity in its trunk, in which a man might easily have stood upright. But as years went by this hole gradually grew smaller and smaller until to-day no trace of the cavity is to be found about its rugged trunk. Frequently have I made vagued guesses as to the size of the trunk and at last I determined to satisfy my inquisitive nature in this respect by obtaining a tape-line and measuring it personally. The result was most pleasing and, although a great traveller, I am satisfied it is one of the largest trees I have ever seen either in Canada or any other portion of the North American continent. Few, indeed, are the trees whose girth measures anywhere in the neighborhood of twenty or twenty-five feet, but rarely if ever has one been found to go thirty feet, as the monarch of Picton did.



COL. T. BOG.

Again, about eight miles distant from the town, on the road leading to the sand banks and standing almost directly in the centre of the thoroughfare, another example of Nature's forestry is to be found. This tree' is of the hard maple species and is known as the Wishing Tree. Under its spreading branches the innocent country lasses



True Blue Orphanage.

with their lovers are wont to pause to make a wish, which in every case is supposed to come true. But not only does this superstition find credulence among the rustic folk. Few indeed, are there among the weaker sex, who, knowing the supposed virtue of this old, old tree, pass' under its drooping boughs without pausing to make a wish. The tree is still in excellent condition and, needless to say, is the pride of the entire county.

## Places of Worship.

Of the numerous denominations in town the Methodist Church has undoubtedly the most interesting history. In the days when Canada was yet one vast stretch of virgin forest and long before the erection of any place of worship, missionaries from the American Church crossed the lake in birch bark canoes amid all the hardships and



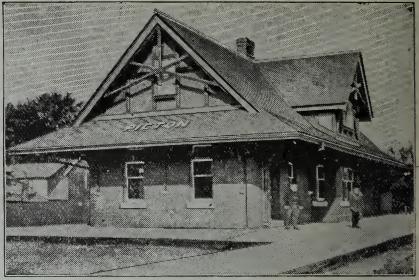
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which accompanied such arduous though dangers worthy labor and commenced their work among the sparsely settled hamlets at either end of Lake Ontario, in the vicinity of Kingston and Niagara. From these centres they gradually worked east and west and in the early part of the 18th ceutury the first Methcdist church in Canada was erected at Hay Bay and about the year 1809 the old Conger church, the now oldest Methodist church in the Dominion, was built at Hallowell Mills, some two or three miles from Picton. In 1793, however, Darius Dunham started a class iu Hallowell Village. Following this a frame edifice was erected in 1802, which building was from time to time improved upon until 1899, in which year the old structure was replaced by a magnificent stone edifice, costing in the neighborhood of thirty thousand dollars. This is one of the finest churches in Ontario and a strange feature of its history is that the class started by Darius Dunham in the year 1793, under the leadership of Mr. Samuel Johnston, is still the most important class in the church and its present leader, Mr. H. Johnston, is a grandson of the pioneer who first presided over the gathering.

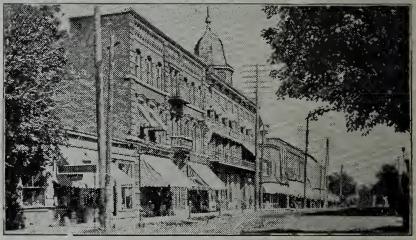
Situated almost in the centre of the town and in a square formed by the junction of several main thoroughfares stands this beautiful new edifice, which is known to the citizens as the Stone church, an everlasting tribute to the noble art of architecture as well as furnishing proof positive of the religious instincts of the good people of Picton. It is modelled on the most up-to-date church lines and from its towering dome down to the flight of steps leading to its ever-invitingly open entrances it is a credit not only to its able pastor, Rev. J. J. Rae, and his congregation but also to the citizens in general as a mark of their progressiveness. . In the dome of this structure a beautiful illuminated clock has been installed, and so central is the location that lovers seeking out solitary nooks wherein to hold hands, conjecture up bright scenes for the future and whisper sweet nothings, oftenfind his genial countenance beaming down upon them



House of Refuge.



C. O. R. Station.



Main Street, looking east from Royal Hotel.

and reminding the fair maiden that the hour is late and that ere long another day will break with all its joys and—no, not sorrows, for it does not seem possible that such could enter into the lives of those residing within this beautiful vale of flowers.

Besides these, other churches are the Baptist, Main street Methodist, the handsome new Roman Catholic and the fine Presbyterian church. Worthy of mention is the Parish House, which is a branch place of worship for the congregation of the English church and is frequently utilized for the holding of entertainments and sacred concerts.

Then, too, there is the Church of England, around which a great deal of interest centres. It is a masterpiece of architectural designing and is beautifully situated on a high eminence at the foot of Mountain Park. As has already been mentioned in these pages, its first rector was Rev. William Macaulay, the same who gave Picton its honored name.

### Educational Institutions.

In regards to education as in all other respects the town has made rapid progressive strides until her educational institutions promise to rank among the foremost of those of the province. At the commencement of the mid-summer holidays operations were started on the erection of the new Collegiate Institute, and for this pur-



#### Metropolitan Bank.

pose the sum of thirty-thousand dollars has been granted, the County and Town Councils setting aside fifteen-thousand dollars each. When complete this structure will rank well up among the Collegiate Institutes of the province. Under the able direction of Principal Dobson and his capable staff of teachers excellent results have been achieved in the past, notwithstanding the cramped condition they at all times found themselves, in the old High school building, but with the new and more modern evolprovements, especially in the ventilating and heating systems. Otherwise it is a most model institution and reflects great credit upon the town. In connection with the Public school there is a Model class, which occupies one of the nine rooms in the building and with this one exception the remaining rooms are taken up entirely with the tuition of children of all classes and grades.

Besides this there is also a ward school, which is used



#### Standard Bank.

to accommodate these children residing on the eastern portion of the town, and an excellent equipped kindergarten. There, too, is a Separate school, which has achieved much success also of late years under the able direction of Miss B. Shannon.

Under this heading it is also necessary to mention the Picton Business College. This occupies two flats of one of the finest business blocks in town, the rooms being cheerful, airy and attractive. At the time of its incept-



#### Interior Gilbert's Store.

ution in things appertaining to the higher branches of education even more satisfactory results may be looked for in the future.

With Principal Tice at the head of the teaching staff of the Public school much has been achieved. This building, situated on Mary street, is able to undergo vast imion in January, 1903, it commenced work with but twentyfive pupils, while in the following March this number has grown to forty-six, at which time the inaugural or formal opening took place. The citizens watched with keen interest the developing of an educational institution which would make local facilities for learning complete. Its rise to prominence was rapid and the attendance of pupils increased seemingly with leaps and bounds, until now they number upwards of a hundred and twenty-five. The success of the institution from the very first was mainly due to the popularity of its principal, Mr. John R. Sayers. As an instructor his name had gone forth as a teacher of exceptional ability. His fine knowledge of mathematics and English and his aptitude for imparting the same were proven while yet a member of the High school staff and when he entered upon his new enterprise the confidence of the people still remained with him. Associated with Mr. Sayers are some of the ablest instructors to be found in the province and, if there is any truth in the old adage: "That the proof of the pudding is in the eating thereof," then indeed, has the success of the Picton Business College been phenomenal if results count for anything.

## Charitable Institutions.

What more glowing evidence of the charitable nature of the people of Picton could be pointed to than that of the institution whose noble works have long proven a blessing to the homeless children of the county, left to struggle o'er life's arduous pathway without the helpful, guiding hand of parent or friend? About two miles down the bay shore and under the management of the True Blues' Association this excellent institution, is is situated, its well-kept, spacious grounds affording the children a beautiful place of recreation as well as giving them an excellent opportunity to appreciate the better side of nature. At present in the neighborhood of forty children, are in various ways being educated there, the Government assisting the maintainance by a daily allowance of so much per head. Here, too, a large fete is held annually and in this and many other ways funds are found to carry on the noble work.

On the opposite shore of the bay, almost directly across from the orphanage, is to be found another truly noble institution. Here is located the recently constructed House of Refuge, wherein the poor of the county, becoming too feeble to longer bear the struggle for life, find at last a resting-place in which to eke out their remaining days in peace and quietude. Truly God-like are the workings of these institutions, whose bare existence is sufficient to demonstrate, in some measure at least, the unselfish, charitable instincts of the people of Picton and the county generally.

#### Retail Business Houses.

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Here, indeed, might the ablest pen falter in attempting to do justice to the admirable progressive business ability of the merchants of Picton. True it is that in not only one but many things have the citizens of the town demonstrated their ability to keep well abreast of the times, but her merchants have gone further, and in many respects can they justly claim the leadership among the "clan merchantmen" of the province. Seek where we may, amid places of twice and even thrice the size of Picton it would be impossible to find such a creditable collection of most modern, up-to-date places of business than those that grace the main street of the "Hub" of Prince Edward County.

The visitor to the town is at once struck with amazement at finding, so far from the main lines of the greater trunk railways, such well appointed, modern and highlyilluminated stores, while the "drummer," after a season among the "come-day-go-day" species of merchant along the main lines East of Toronto, gladly turns his face towards the thriving town of Picton, knowing full well that there he will find wide-awake business men, who are not "From Missouri" and who therefore do not require to be shown the whys and wherefores of latter day business methods.

Space, unfortunately, is too limited else nothing would please the writer more than a complimentary reference, individually, of the stores of Picton, but he is perforce compelled to confine himself to space allotment and in passing finds it possible to touch but lightly upon a few of the leading ones. Among the several dry goods stores three stand out so conspicuously as to make it utterly impossible to choose the leader. Therefore, they must be mentioned in a body. These establishments of A. Bristol & Son, G. M. Farrington and G. E. Fraser & Son would compare favourably with any to be found in the largest cities of Canada and are a glowing example of the progressiveness of their respective proprietors. Perhaps one reason for the great strides foreward which have marked the town's growth of recent years can, in some measure, be laid to the credit of its City Fathers. In the Council proceedings as in every thing else into which he has embarked Mr. G. M. Farrington-Picton's honored Mayor-has enthused that deep pride and enthusiasm among the citizens so essential in the life of every town seeking to keep to the fore as a business centre.

From these we would like to turn the attention of the reader for a time to one of the most palatial restaurant and candy stores that ever commanded the appreciation of all who admire things beautiful as well as artistic. The establishment of Mr. John Gilbert is the pride of every citizen of the place and proud, indeed, are they also of the rustling young man who has done so much to promote and beautify the business section of the town. May he, as well as the many other energetic business men of whom we have been unable to mention in these pages, long continue to reap the rich reward their progressiveness and ability deserves.

In the town are to be found six first class hotels, all modelled on the most up-to-date lines. The rates in every case are very moderate while the comfort and accommodation accorded to guests could not be excelled. From the station or wharfs the visitor is conveyed to either of the several hotels by the most commodious bus line which meets all boats and trains. All the hotels are situated in the central and main business portion of the town and are known as the Royal, Globe, Queen's, Quinte, Tecumseh and Picton House.

## Her Financial Institutions.

To a man of aesthetic tastes it is at all times a source of comfort to know that his money is kept in well-appointed walls. In this respect, also, is the residents of Picton well supplied. Her financial institutions bespeak for this town her well-known prosperity and are also a glowing evidence of the progressiveness of her citizens. At present there are three banks in town, all of which are doing well, and it is understood that the Empire Bank is to open a branch of their institution in Picton in the near future. These branches already established here are that of the Bank of Montreal, Standard and Metropolitan. Each and every one have palatial quarters, as cuts of the same elsewhere will sufficiently demonstrate.

#### THE BANK OF MONTREAL.

Although pre-eminently a Canadian Bank the policy of the management has been to establish agen-

of fruits and vegetables and, indeed, one can spend a very interesting half hour watching the different processes through which the fruit passes ere it becomes a canned, marketable goods.

Besides the above mentioned there are two evaporators, two fruit houses, foundry, two barrel factories, two grist mills, one saw mill, a cement factory, two brick yards and marine repair shop all of which are in constant operation. On the outskirts of the town there is also situated an ashery and soap factory. All told it is estimated that upwards of two thousand men are steadily employed in these industries, and rarely indeed is an idle man to be found in the town the whole year through.

## Shipping Industry.

From its central location it is but natural that Picton should be the main port of call in the Bay district. Daily palatial boats ply between the town and all ports within the inland waters, while all or nearly all the larger craft



#### In the Long Reach.

cies in centres outside of the Dominion, until at the present time it has about 100 Canadian branches, with agencies in London, New York, Chicago, Spokane, Newfoundland and Mexico. During its existence the Bank of Montreal has been one of the most effective agencies in promoting the development of Canada, and is perhaps entitled to the undisputed title of "Canada's National Bank."

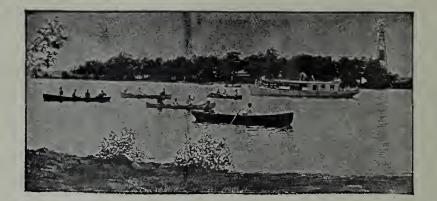
## What We Manufacture.

The town of Picton is a distinctly progressive one and her numerous factories reflects great credit upon the energy and business instincts of her most prominent and thrifty men. Here several of the largest canning factories in the province are situated, their number being augmented this year by the large up-to-date plant of the Wright Co. Here has been installed the very latest apparatus for the preparation and canning of all kinds

running between Hamilton, Toronto and St. Lawrence River ports load or unload at or outer or inner wharfs. Lying also at the terminus of the C. O. Railway much freight passes through her portals by rail also. During the excursion season many steamers touch at Picton, and the tourist making his headquarters here may sail early any day and enjoy the gorgeous scenery of the Bay of Quinte, St. Lawrence River and the Thousand Islands and be back at the place of starting early in the evening of the same day. At Kingston these boats connect with others bound for Ottawa and Montreal, thus giving the tourist an opportunity of visiting the political and merchantile capitals of the Dominion without the expenditure of excessive valuable time. Another pleasant vacation trip is that of across the lake to Rochester and throughout the entire season boats plying between here and that port find it almost impossible to handle the large crowds which daily seek accommodation. It is also a frequent occurence to see numerous large freighters tied

up at one or other of the many private wharfs from which immense cargoes of lumber and coal are unloaded to give place to large exports of local cheese and product of the numerous canning factories. to be found flying from the mastheads of craft competing at their annual regatta.

Another pastime which has a large following in Picton is trap shooting. The local gun club is a very strong one



#### On the Bay near Glen Island.

## Recreations.

With her noble, natural resources it is not to be wondered at that Picton is the centre of yachting circles for the Bay of Quinte District. And such is, indeed, the case. The Picton Yacht Club is one of the very strongest organizations of this nature to be found upon and their bi-monthly shoots have become very popular, both from a spectator's as well as a competitor's point of view. Many valuable prizes are competed for during the season and several matches 'are annually arranged with clubs from nearby towns. The club has very pleasant quarters in the Agricultural Park, where their traps are located.



the great lakes. It is officered by prominent business men whose sporting instincts have a tendency to favor aquatic lines, and the large regatta held under the auspices of this club annually at Glen Island, it is but a glowing evidence of the popularity of this sublime pastime throughout the entire bay section. So popular, indeed, has the club become that many foreign colors are now Baseball, wheeling and running always find large following among the local young men, and the time is not far distant ere Picton's runners will rank well up in leading athletic circles.

In racing circles Picton has long held a creditable position. Here some of the finest strains of thoroughbred trotting and pacing steeds in the world are to be found, representatives from her numerous racing stables having won many notable events on the turf both in Canada and the United States. Picton is the home of such wellknown horses as Sidney Pointer, the Medium family and Wilkes strain, all of which have remarkable fast marks. Interest in this class of sport is and has for many years

## A Passing Remark.

There are two newspapers in town weekly and twicea-week publications and 'ere moving on to newer subjects we would like to pay a passing tribute to the Messrs. Conger Bros., publishers of The Gazette. Many years



been very keen and the local driving club is one of the strongest racing organizations in the province, their numerous meets being largely attended by the sporting fraternity of the entire surrounding country. Their palatial plant is situated in Picton and o'er their fast track many famous horses have performed.

In winter hockey is indulged in by almost everybody. From the tiny "tootseewootsee" with stick towering inches above his little curly head, to the reverent, whiteheaded grandpa, all are lovers of the game and the town is rarely without a representative team in the O. H. A. have rolled by since they first embarked into newspaper business, though apparently the finger of time has touched but lightly on these grand examples of pioneer journalism and it is to be hoped that they will long continue to follow the journalistic pathway, upon whose everelevating crest they have so long been wayfarers.

CAP. COLLYER.

In conclusion we beg to state that the shortness of time taken to prepare this sketch, has rendered it more or less



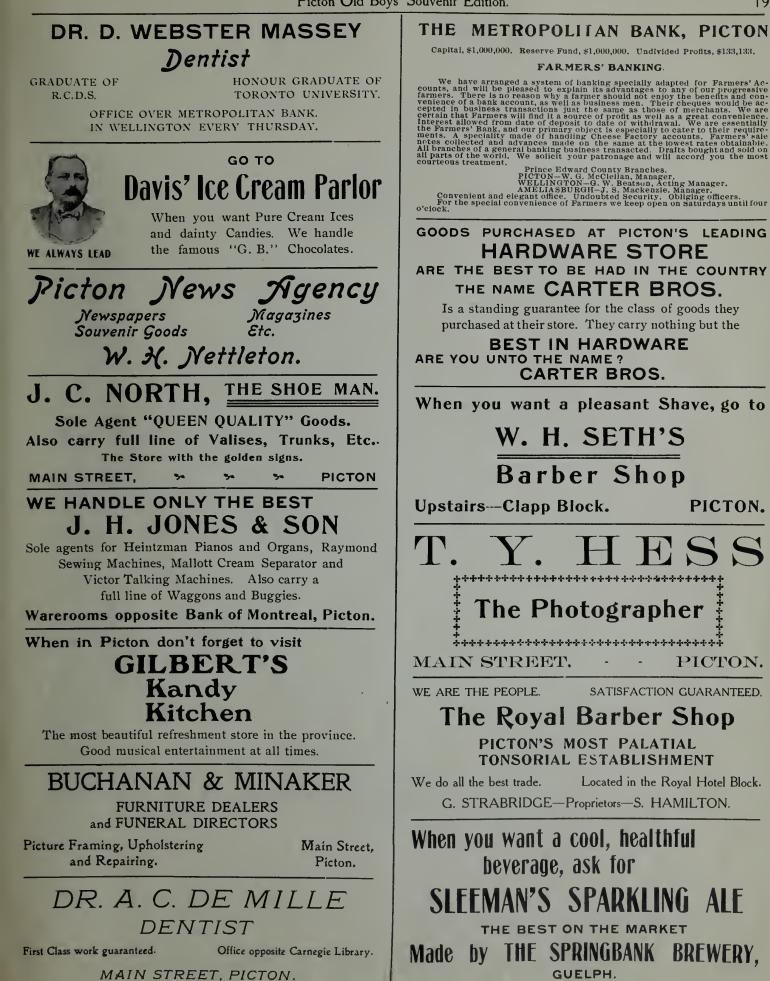
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series, of one class or another. The outlook for an exceptionally fast team this year is at present very bright, and with the new material now at hand it is safe to say there will be things doing in hockey circles the coming winter. incomplete. However, we hope as its pages are perused by the sons and daughters of Prince Edward in their distant homes, familiar scenes and fond recollections of childhood hours may again be freshened in the memories of the past.



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