

is become a fixed fact. While it may attempt competition with New London, we trust it will be friendly, and that the one will not depreciate and excite prejudice against the other, but that they will co-operate to their mutual advantage.

There are other towns below on the river that are flourishing, which are not necessary to allude to in this paper. Suffice it to say, they are monuments of peace and enterprise, and of themselves show to the traveler and stranger as he wends his way up the river, what stout hearts and ready hands can accomplish, in the work of planting peaceful and happy homes, busy workshops and whirling machinery, in the wilderness beneath the unpillared arch of heaven.

Hortonville

Is in Outagamie county, about six and a half miles east of New London, on the route of the plank-road projected between Appleton and Stevens' Point. It is a pleasant little inland hamlet, and is situated about two miles from the Wolf river, where the Hortonville creek enters it, and lies on the main route from New London to Oshkosh, Appleton, Neenah, Menasha, Winneconne and Omro. In the winter, or lumbering season, it is a busy place, presenting a lively appearance, from the hurrying to and from the great pinery and the southern towns. Its location is delightful, lying on undulating hills, on both sides of the Hortonville creek, skirted with pine and other valuable timber. Its growth has been slow, but healthful and substantial. It had a foundation some seven or eight years since, and was located by a Mr. Horton, whose name it bears, as well as the town, of which it is the principal point, and which is called Hortonville.

For some years it was isolated from other towns of importance, and was almost inaccessible, except in the winter season. During the same period, lumber was so low in price, that it was manufactured at but little profit. The water-power is excellent, on an average, for about half the year.