

CITY, PENINSULA, ISLAND, MOUNTAIN, &C.

## LESSON III.—CONTINENTAL FEATURES.

12. What is a Mountain?—A Mountain is a great elevation of land. Ex.: Mount Royal.

13. What is meant by the altitude of a mountain?—The Altitude of a mountain is its height above the sea or a river

14. What is meant by a Mountain Chain, or Range?—A Mountain Chain or Range is many mountains joined together. Ex.: Notre Dame Mountains, in Rimouski County, P. Q.

15. What is a Ilill?—A Hill is a small mountain. Ex.: The western part of Mount Royal.

16. What is a Volcano?—A Volcano is a mountain which emits burning matter. Ex.: Mount Vesuvius, in Italy.

17. What is a Plain?—A Plain is a flat tract of country, or apparently of the same level. Ex.: The Plain of Chambly.

18. What is a Plateau Table-Land?—A Plateau or Table-Land is an elevated plain. Ex.: the Plains of Abraham, at Quebec, are a plateau.

19. What is a Valley?—A Valley is a plain between mountains or hills, ordinarily crossed by a river. Ex.: the Valley of the St-Maurice.

20. What is a Desert?—A Desert is an uninhabited and barren tract of country. Ex.: the northern part of the North West Territory.

## LESSON IV.—NATURAL DIVISIONS OF WATER.

21. What are the Natural Divisions of water?— The Natural Divisions of water are oceans, seas, gulfs, straits, havens, streams, rivers, lakes, etc.

22. What is an Ocean?—An Ocean is the largest body of salt water separating continents Ex.: the Atlantic Ocean, east of America.

23. What is a Sea?—A Sea is part of an ocean. Ex.: the Mediterranean Sea.

24. What is a Gulf?—A Gulf or Bay is a part of the sea which stretches inland. Ex.: the Gulf of St-Lawrence; the Bay of Fundy.

25. What is a Strait?—A Strait is a narrow passage of water which unites two larger portions. Ex.: the Strait of Belle Isle, between Labrador and Newfoundland.

26. What is a Haven?—A **Haven** is a portion of water which extends inland and affords security for ships.

27. What is a Reef?—A Reef is a chain of rocks lying near the surface of the water on which ships are sometimes wrecked.

28. What is a Current?—A Current is a part of the sea in which the water flows as in a river.