

OBSERVATIONS ON CANADA.

THE object in bringing these few pages before the public is to make them acquainted with one of England's most important Colonies, and to place within the reach of the most humble of those who wish to seek a new home in a foreign land, such information with regard to climate, labour, &c. as I have been able to collect during my residence in that, as yet, undeveloped but promising country.

There has certainly been much dispute as to which of our Colonies is the most suitable for the merchant or artisan; this is a question which I cannot well answer, but I will certainly vouch for what I may state here as being correct, and leave it to the consideration of my readers.

I took my passage by screw steamer in the early part of summer, and arrived at Quebec in fourteen days. Quebec is situated on the north shore of the River St. Lawrence, it is the second city in British America, its population being at present about 50,000 souls. The form of the city is nearly triangular, the plains of Abraham forming the base, and the rivers St. Lawrence and St. Charles, the sides; it is naturally and artificially divided into two parts, known as the upper and lower towns, the former of which is strongly fortified, and includes within its limits the citadel of Cape Diamond, the most formidable fortress in America, built on the summit of the magnificent rock of that name.*

* Those parties who are desirous of seeing this should make application to the Town Major, at the main guard house, from whom tickets of admission can always be obtained.