

lands. The width of the road has been made, wherever practicable, 24 ft. wide. 40 bridges of various sizes and substantial workmanship have been constructed on this road. The total expense amounted to about £.450. The soil of the country through which the road passes is generally good and fit for cultivation, with the exception of certain hills or mountains hereafter specified, viz., a high rocky hill at the beginning of the third concession, at which the road commences and over which it passes; a high hill facing the south, at the distance of 94 arpents from the beginning of the road, at the foot of which the Bras Riche crosses the road; and another hill, at the distance of 111 arpents from the beginning of the road, lying south of the Bras de Nord Est, and rising gradually towards the s. e.

*Title.*—"Concession du 16me Avril, 1687, faite par Jacques de Briqay, Gouverneur, et Jean Bochart, Intendant, au Sieur Villeneuve, de la quantité de soixante et quatorze arpents de front sur le fleuve St. Laurent, du côté du Sud, sur deux lieues de profondeur, en cas qu'elle ne soit concédée à d'autres. Les dits soixante et quatorze arpents tenant d'un côté aux terres des Dames Religieuses d'Osilines, et d'autre côté à la veuve Duquet."—*Cahiers d'Intendance*, 2 à 9, folio 295.

BONSECOURS, seignior, in the co. of Lotbinière, between Desplaines and Ste. Croix, is bounded in the rear by the former and contains about 1½ l. in breadth by 2 in depth. Granted July 1st, 1677, to François Bellanger. The banks of the n. St. Lawrence are here high but the rise is gradual.—This S. is abundantly supplied with timber of good quality, and large quantities are annually felled for firewood and sent to the Quebec market.—There is scarcely any water.—The S. forms part of the parish of St. Antoine.

*Title.*—"Concession du 1er Juiller, 1677, faite par Jacques Duchesneau, Intendant, au Sieur François Bellanger, des terres qui sont le long du fleuve St. Laurent, du côté Sud, entre celle qui appartient à la Demoiselle Géliveau Couillard, en remontant le dit fleuve, jusqu'à celle de la Demoiselle veuve Amiot; contenant le tout une lieue et demie, ou environ, de front, avec deux lieues de profondeur."—*Insinuations du Conseil Supérieur lettre, B, folio 88.*

BONSECOURS, seignior, in the co. of Richelieu, lies between the S. of Sorel and the river Yamaska, having the S. of Yamaska for its s. e. boundary. Granted, August 8, 1702, to Sieur Charon and is now possessed by Mrs. Barrow. The same kind of land prevails generally through this and the adjoining seignior, of which but a small

part can be deemed of superior quality. Much the largest proportion of this grant remains covered with natural wood; but little good timber can be found, though the inferior kinds are abundant enough.

*Title.*—"Concession du 8me Août, 1702, faite au Sieur Charon, par Hector de Colière, Gouverneur, et Jean Bochart, Intendant, de deux lieues de terre ou environ de front, sur parcelle profonde, le long de la rivière Yamaska, lelle compris à prendre vis-à-vis celle accordée au Sieur René Fézéret, bourgeois de Montréal, tirant d'un côté à la Seigneurie du Sieur Petit, et de l'autre aux héritiers du feu Sieur Bourchemin, avec les isles, islets, prairies et battures adjacentes."—*Régistre d'Intendance*, No. 5, folio 55.

BOUCHARDS, isles, lie in front of the SS. of Vercheres and Contrecoeur, in the St. Lawrence. —Granted, Nov. 3, 1672, to Sieur Fortel.—The largest is about 5 m. long and ½ m. broad. The land, excepting some good meadow and pasture, is covered with wood and produces some very fine timber. The soil is excellent. These isles are in the p. of St. Sulpice.

*Title.*—"Concession du 3me Novembre, 1672, faite par Jean Talon, Intendant, au Sieur Fortel, des isles contenues dans la carte figurative que le Sieur de Beauvoir a donnée et qui sont cotées A, réservant de disposer en faveur de qui il plaira au Roi de celles cotées B."—*Régistre d'Intendance*, No. 1, folio 23.

BOUCHERVILLE (F.), v. STE. MARGUERITE, S.

BOUCHERVILLE, seignior, on the s. side of the St. Lawrence, is in the co. of Chambly; bounded w. by the fief Tremblay, e. by the S. of Verennes and by Montarville in the rear. 114 arpents in front by two leagues in depth. Granted, 3d Nov. 1672, to Sieur Boucher and now belongs to Madame Boucherville.—The quality of the land, if not of the first class, is far above mediocrity, being for the most part a lightish mould inclining towards sand, and, with careful husbandry, by no means deficient in fertility. Nearly the whole is under cultivation, and generally produces very good average crops of all sorts.—The wood remaining is inconsiderable in quantity and only of inferior kinds.—Two small rivulets that fall into the St. Lawrence partially water this S. towards the front, one of which works the seigniorial mill. There is no stream in the lower part. —A main road leads from the village of Boucherville to the Richelieu and thence to Chambly; several other roads, well kept up, pass through all the settled parts of the S.—All the lands in this S. were conceded prior to 1759, and have been subdivided among a great number of inheritors,