

L'ACADIE.

CHAPTER I.

Sail for America in a Transport—Life on board—Icebergs—Fish on the banks—A narrow escape—Danger of intoxication at sea—A ship badly found—A magnificent Aurora Borealis—Enter the great river, St. Lawrence—Nearly run on the rocks—Pass Quebec and Montreal—Steam up the Ottawa—Reach Kingstown by the Rideau Canal—The first session of the United Canadas.

TOWARDS the end of April, 1841, the transport 'Albion,' Captain Smith, sailed from the Cove of Cork, carrying detachments of H.M.'s 14th, 23rd, and 68th Regiments, destined for Canada. Major Holmes, 23rd, was the