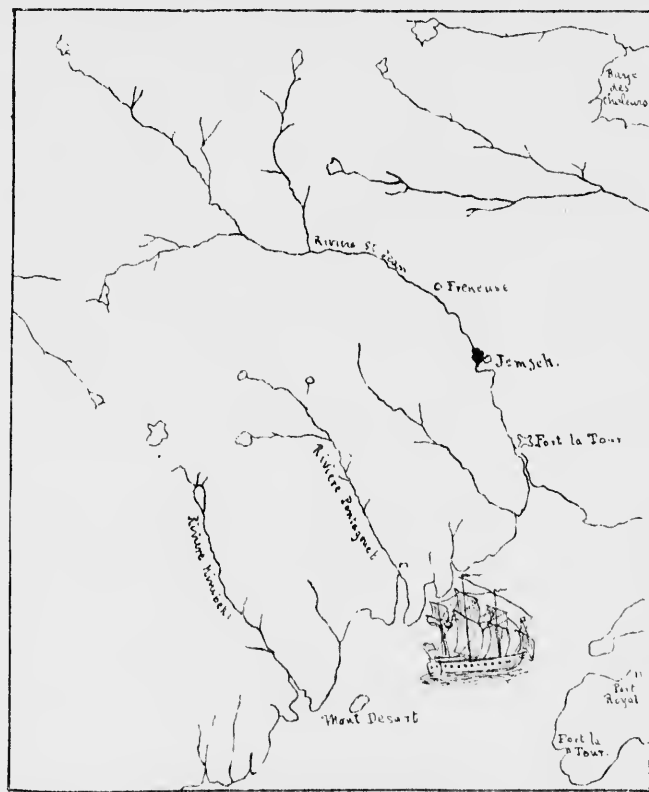


fort at the mouth of the River St. John is on the east side. This map was made in Paris, where its author presumably had access to the most reliable materials. This was in 1677—long before Villebon or any other French general had rebuilt either of the forts at St. John. There are earlier editions of this map in the French Archives—of 1664, and even earlier, but we do not know whether they show the fort.¹

MAP No. 2.—Our second map is most important. It is a portion of a manuscript sketch contained in Vol. II, p. 11, of the "Documents collected in France," now preserved



No. 2.—Massachusetts Archives, 1680.

in the Massachusetts Archives in the State House at Boston. It is really a map of New England, but shows a portion of Acadia. It bears date of 1680 and shows every evidence

¹ As this paper passes through the press, I have received from M. Henry Vignaud of Paris (to whom I owe much other material of historical value) a letter in which he tells me that the two earlier editions of this map—of 1653 and 1664—both have it on the *west* side. The only answer I can give to this unexpected fact is that the maker of the 1677 edition saw good cause to change the fort from the west to the east side; but what that evidence was we can only conjecture.