

several small rivers, some of which are navigable to a considerable distance. The River St Laurence passes through the midst of the lake, which is the only part navigable for large vessels in their way to and from Montreal, and is divided into several channels, where it enters the lake, forming a number of beautiful islands, which, as well as the neighbouring continent, are covered with lofty woods, fit for ship-building, and every other commercial purpose.

From hence it is 45 miles to *Montreal*, the second town of Canada, in point of trade and eminence, seated in a fertile plain, upon an island formed by the River St Laurence, and every where surrounded by a beautiful and well watered country, wholly unincumbered with rocks or mountains, producing excellent fruits, and large crops of wheat, of which they have exported an immense quantity to the West Indies, and the southern states of Europe, this year.

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