

Roads, where I counted six Jersey vessels taking in cargoes of dried cod. At all these places the fishing was but indifferent; at Newport, it was better, they said.

On the 10th, in the afternoon, having finished my business at Paspébiac, and the wind coming round to the north-east we set sail, and being favored by a fine breeze, we found ourselves next morning at Carleton, where I went on shore for some hours, and the same evening we anchored up the River Ristigouche, opposite Mission Point.

There, I remarked with pain, that some salmon fishers, belonging to New Brunswick, had not yet removed from the River Ristigouche the stakes they had used in making their fisheries, which obstructed the course of the river.

Next day there was a north-easterly storm with rain and hail. On the 13th, in the afternoon, the wind coming round to west-north-west, we left Mission Point, and in the evening we anchored off Carleton, which we left next morning for Maria, and came and anchored the same evening at New Richmond.

At Maria, I met Mr. F. Cook, and at New Richmond, Mr. M. Dimock, both of whom told me that no contravention of the law had taken place since the last visit of *La Canadienne*, that the salmon fishing had been much better than usual, and that our rivers had been visited by a great number of salmon during the spawning season.

I could not leave on the 15th, having to arrest a man at New Richmond, but on the 16th, in the morning, we set sail, and in the afternoon I landed at Grand Bonaventure, where I found the fishing pretty good, some boats having brought in that day from 400 to 500 codfish.

The fishermen baited their hooks with smelts, which they found in great quantity at the mouth of the river.

The same evening we anchored at Paspébiac, which we were prevented by a calm from leaving until the day but one after.

At ten o'clock in the morning of the 18th, we were in the Harbor of Caraquette, and I sent a boat at once under the command of the chief pilot to the oyster-beds, and the same evening the oysters intended to be planted at Bic, were on board.

Next morning, we left Caraquette, and on the 20th, at eight o'clock in the morning, I landed at Percé, where the fishing continued bad, and where, apart from that, there was nothing new.

In the afternoon we sailed for Gaspé Basin, where we anchored the next morning.

I found at that place 9 vessels loading with dried cod for the Brazilian and European markets.

I remained at Gaspé Basin till the 23rd, and during that time I settled accounts with the different merchants there, took in provisions, dragged for oysters, and unfortunately ascertained that they had not been able to live in the waters of the Basin, and gave assistance to George Dumaresq, Esq., J. P., who, during my stay in this port, had had several difficulties to settle, among others a case of theft on board of a schooner loaded with goods from the wrecked vessel *Ardentee*.

I arrested the accused, and in the afternoon, after Mr. Dumaresq had concluded the examination, I left Gaspé Basin with the prisoner and lodged him the same evening in the Gaol at Percé. I left again next morning, the 24th. In the afternoon I anchored at Malbaie, which I visited, as well as Point Peters, where I found the fishing indifferent.

The next morning, at the *Barachois*, I arrested a man accused of having fired at an ox. After the examination, which took place the same day, the wind being from the north-east, we left Malbaie; but it was not till the 26th that we anchored at Fox River, where I remained until the 28th. The autumn fishing was very poor there also.

I had gone to Fox River for the purpose of affording armed support, if necessary, to Charles Fox, Esq., of the Customs at Gaspé who had been sent there by the Collector at that port to see to the landing and storing of goods from the wrecked vessel *Ardentee*. But all was going on well then, and I was desirous of going, as soon as possible, to Magdalen River and *Ste. Anne des Monts*, at which place I was wanted, and as Mr. Fox said he could dispense with my services, I left Fox River on the 28th, in the morning.

I have since learned that, immediately after my departure, people from different places on the coast, no longer fearing a visit from *La Canadienne*, flocked to the scene of the shipwreck, and, in spite of express prohibitions from the owners of the vessel, who were there at the time, took possession of a number of things, and even that one of them