

neighboring lands are exceeding good and proper for culture. We found several sorts of trees, with a prodigious number of foxes, martens, hares, partridges, which conceal themselves under ground. The rivers abound in fish, and are bordered with pasture lands that produce exceeding good grass. I confess there is no plenty of it, yet the quantity might be improved by carrying those meadows up to the rising grounds, which are well adapted for this purpose. The inhabitants came over here from Acadia during the last war and are about eight and forty in number.

We set out from the harbour of Fortune, directing our course towards the east point, and after doubling the point of Matieu, we proceeded somewhat to the offward of the harbour of De la Souris. The latter runs northward a league and a half into the country, and extends an area towards the eastward. The entrance is a practicable one for small boats, of the burden of three or four cords of wood.

From thence we proceeded to two small creeks, distant from each other a league and a half; one of these runs west, and the other northwest; you cannot get thither but in a shallop or a canoe. There is very little grass upon this spot; but the rising grounds seem to be very proper for cultivation. They are covered with all sorts of trees proper for building.

Within two leagues of these small harbours, we came to that of L'Escoussier, the entrance of which seems to be north and south. It is of a middling breadth and divides itself into two branches, which run east and west. The entrance of that to the right is a league in length, and a quarter in breadth, that to the left is three quarters of a league. This harbour is capable only of receiving small boats, but its banks are adorned with beautiful meadows. It was formerly no more than a creek, but the winds and high tides have raised the downs which part it from the