

JOHN CABOT'S LANDFALL
AND THE
SITE OF NORUMBEGA.

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President of the American Geographical Society.

DEAR SIR,— I desire to place in your hands a summary statement in regard to the results of some geographical studies in which I have been engaged.

The time when my completed paper, with the accompanying sketches and maps, will be ready for publication depends upon two or three considerations which I cannot control. Meanwhile, it seems proper that I should deposit with you a brief record of the discoveries I have made.

They are —

1. The site of the landfall of John Cabot in 1497.
2. The site of the Fort Norumbega of the French, on the banks of the river bearing the same name; and of the Indian settlement near the fort,— the Agency of Thevet; and near it the Norumbega of Allefonsce, visited in 1569