

with extreme rapidity. The banks of the river from hence are no longer steep and craggy, but open on every side into a beautiful champain country, whose woods, as we advance, become more lofty, and are every where intersected with villages and churches.

*Trois Rivieres, or Three Rivers,* is the third town of any note in Canada, and stands upon the north side of the River St Laurence, a little way below, where it communicates with Lake St Peter. It contains 6 or 700 houses, and several churches, together with some English families. A small trade for furs is carried on here with those Indians who inhabit between Quebec and Montreal.

*Lake St Peter* begins three miles above the town of Three Rivers, in a flat low country, abounding with excellent timber, and extends 30 miles south-east, and is about 22 in breadth, receiving the waters of several