

July 2nd.—Crossed by means of a Raft a considerable Stream which supplies Lake Onenwot; this is called in Huron “Kiooliya-tentiaon (*elles sont tombées*), and although the largest River between the Ste. Anne and Jacques Cartier, and having its rise beyond the North West extremity of the Townships, and connected with seven or eight Lakes; is totally omitted by Mr. McCarthy, who could not, we think, have surveyed this part of the Township. Our direction now lay about N. W., and as we advanced, the Land by no means improved in quality, but continued black timbered and very strong, with a high mountainous Country right and left of us. On the following morning descending a Mountain and scaling round its base, we crossed a small Stream which falls just below into the Ste. Anne between Ranges 14 and 15, near the Township line, and called in Huron “Kialoskitora” (ascent River); and soon afterwards arrived at the first, and most considerable Branch of the River Ste. Anne, in the Indian language named “Atourile” (*Le Bourreau*), where we encamped. The quality of all the Lands between Lake Thomas and the River Ste. Anne may be classed as of a similar character, namely, not absolutely incapable of subsisting the Settler, but as holding out few inducements to him to locate himself there. The Land is never better than middling, frequently bad; the whole tract is mountainous or swampy and very stony, and presenting great difficulties in the way of access. We have no hesitation, however, in giving it as our opinion, that at a future period, when the Lands will have been taken up and cultivated as far as the three Lakes, enterprising individuals will be found to extend the Settlement quite as far as Ste. Anne’s River. The same character, from information of the Chief Indian, may be applied left and right of our line of Route, viz. to the Township Line and some way to the Eastward; of the latter our report will shortly make mention. The black Birch which we had lost from Black Fly Lake again appears close on the borders of the Ste. Anne.

Continuing our progress towards the end of Stoneham, we, on the 4th of July, forded the River Ste. Anne which is here about one hundred and fifty feet wide and very shallow, and having crossed over a low Mountain which stretches longitudinally with the River, came to a very fair tract of Land, which we followed in a S. W. by W. direction for about a Mile where it terminated in an alder Swamp. Here we found a long narrow Lake called by