

3. The first Explorer of Canada was JACQUES CARTIER, a Frenchman. He left ST. MALO 1534, with the idea of discovering a NORTH WEST PASSAGE to India and China. He shortly afterwards entered the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and took possession of the coast for France.

4. In 1535 CARTIER made a second voyage westward. He sailed up the St. Lawrence to the Indian Capitol STADACONA where he was kindly received by the natives. He left his ship in the harbour of ST. CROIX, the mouth of the present St. Charles, and proceeded in boats up the river to HOCHELAGA which was situated on the site of the present city of MONTREAL. Here he found signs of civilization, houses built and land cultivated. He returned and passed the winter in St. Croix, when his men were attacked with scurvy and many of them died, being ill adapted to the severe climate.

5. In 1540, the king of France appointed ROBERVAL Viceroy of NEW FRANCE—the name given to the country from North Carolina northward—with power to settle it. Being unable to go himself he sent Cartier with a number of settlers in five vessels. He was not so well received by the Indians as before, on account of having carried off a number of them to France on his previous voyage, where they all died. He built a fort at Cape Rouge which he called Charlesburg. He again visited Hochelaga in boats, and