

rally found to be the case on spots so much elevated. The Lake itself is surrounded by a belt of black timber, but the Land is good. In Huron it is called *Oyahensque* (*se bouille*), from the appearance given to its surface by the leaping of fish which here swarm. Encamping some distance beyond the Lake, on the following morning all the party started with empty stomachs for the Settlement in the front Ranges. The Route lay along an Indian Path and over gentle eminences covered in general with noble Sugar Maples and other valuable Trees; the Soil excellent and remarkably free from underbrush. This lasted for about four Miles; along the remaining two (for Lake Hibou is about two leagues in a straight line from the Settlement,) we discovered a magnificent growth of Pine and Spruce Firs, much mixed, to the Settlement with hard Timber. About eleven reached Scott's clearings, where great hospitality was shewn to all the party; and the same evening, the 18th July, returned to Quebec, twenty seven days having been occupied in the prosecution of this business.

General summary from the foregoing operations :

1. It is ascertained that a tract of Land fit for Settlement borders and extends thirteen Miles along the River Jacques Cartier, commencing at Lot No. 9, in the seventh Range of Stoneham, and ending about Lot No. 30, in the sixteenth Range of Tewkesbury, and that a good Road only five Miles long might easily be continued to the former point from where the present Horse Road ends at Craig's Clearing.

2. That another fine belt or tract of Country commencing about three Miles beyond Lot No. 9, 7th Range of Stoneham, in a N. W. direction, coasts along three large Lakes full of fish, and extends N. N. E. about eight Miles with one Mile of interruption intersecting the former tract on the Jacques Cartier about the twelfth Range in Tewkesbury, and to which Lakes a Road of three Miles might be continued from the above mentioned Lot No. 9, in Stoneham, but over a steep Hill. The Jacques Cartier, where the Road would cross it, is well adapted for a Ferry.

3. That the Country lying in Stoneham W. N. W. of the three large Lakes and extending to the first branch of the River Ste. Anne, though not absolutely bad, is not of that quality to be likely to induce immediate Settlements, though in our opinion such Settlement will be likely to take place at a future period.