

who was followed in 1534, by **Jacques Cartier**, the discoverer of the St. Lawrence River. The latter made three voyages, but nothing came of them. **Roberval**, the first Viceroy of New France, attempted to found a colony, but failed ; and for fifty years the French were so occupied with religious troubles at home, that Canada was forgotten.

CANADA UNDER FUR COMPANIES.

The first permanent settlements were made by **Champlain** "The Founder of Canada." He founded Quebec, in 1608, and explored much of the country to the west. He foolishly made enemies of the powerful Iroquois ; and for many years the French settlers had to suffer severely for his error.

Various companies, in succession, were given a **monopoly** of the fur-trade, on condition that they would bring out colonists and assist them to start in their new home. The companies, however, paid little attention to anything but the fur-trade, and so lost their charters. Even the **Company of One Hundred Associates**, which was formed in 1627, failed to keep its agreement, and so **Royal Government** was introduced in 1663, and this form of government continued until the French lost Canada in 1760.

CANADA UNDER ROYAL GOVERNMENT.

During this period of **Royal Government** the country was governed by a Governor, a Bishop and an Intendant, assisted by a Supreme Council. The **Governor** had charge of military affairs ; the