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It may be neceffary to observe, that Sorel or Richlieu River joins the St Lawrence 60 miles below its own fource, which is in Lake Champlain, 45 miles below -Montreal, and nine miles above Lake St Peter, of which mention has been already made. At the junction of the two rivers, on a fandy point of land, which commands the paffage both up and down the St Lawrence; ftands the village of Sorel, in a healthy and pleafant fituation. Afcending against the stream, which is almost every where rapid, and intermixed with rocks in many places, about 25 miles from Sorel. we come to a pretty confiderable town, called St Denis, which carries on fome trade with the Indians, and is fituated in a fertile Dd

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