

prison in Quebec, and joined his countrymen, the English, at Louisbourg, from whence he took ship again to meet Saunders' fleet at Quebec. The tourist next drives past Thornhill, Sir Francis Hinck's old home, when Premier to Lord Elgin; opposite appear the leafy glades of Spencer Wood, so grateful a summer retreat, that my Lord used to say, "There he not only loved to live, but would like to rest his bones." Next comes Spencer Grange, the seat of J. M. LeMoine, Esq.; then Woodfield, the homestead of the Hon. Wm. Sheppard* in 1847, now of Messrs. John L. and Jas. Gibb.† The eye next dwells on the rustic Church of St. Michael, embowered in evergreens; close to which looms out, at *Sous les Bois*, the stately convent of *Jesus-Marie*; then you meet with villas innumerable—one of the most conspicuous is Benmore, Col. Rhodes' country seat. Benmore is well worthy of a call, were it only to procure a *bouquet*. This is not merely the Eden of roses; Col. Rhodes has combined the farm with the garden. His underground rhubarb and mushroom cellars, his boundless asparagus beds and strawberry plantations, are a credit to Quebec.

Next come Clermont,‡ Beauvoir,||, Kilmarnock§, Cataraqui,** Kilgraston,†† Kirk-Ella,‡‡ Meadow Bank, Ravenswood,|||| until, after a nine miles' drive, Redclyffe closes the rural landscape—Redclyffe,§§ on the top of Cap Rouge promontory. There, many indications yet mark the spot where Roberval's ephemeral colony wintered as far back

* My old friend died in 1867—regretted as a scholar, an antiquarian and the type of the old English gentleman.

† This realm of fairy land, so rich in nature's graces, so profusely embellished by the late James Gibb, Esq., President of the Quebec Bank, was recently sold for a graveyard.

‡ The stately home of Thomas Beckett, Esq.

|| The picturesque villa of R. R. Dobell, Esq.

§ A mossy old hall founded by Mr. McNider in the beginning of the century; now occupied by the Braddon family.

** The gorgeous mansion of Chas. E. Levy, Esq.

†† The property of John Burstall, Esq.

‡‡ The highly cultivated farm and summer residence of And. Stewart, Esq.

|||| The beautiful home of W. Herring, Esq.

§§ Recently acquired by James Bowen, Esq..