

gation: it is situated on the River Richelieu. Although a place of no particular attraction to strangers, those who delight in military reminiscences may feel some pleasure in visiting the fort and barracks; for this in the time of war was a post of considerable importance. Henry explored them with delight; his father at the same time recounting to him many interesting military achievements which had formerly distinguished the place. They also visited the French and English churches; and from a wooden bridge, of about half a mile in length across the Richelieu, they had a fine view of the rapids, and of the canal which is now forming from St. John's to Chambly, and will doubtless prove an infinite advantage to the commerce of the place. The principal hotel is kept by Mr. Mott, where stages are always in readiness to convey passengers on their route: it is an exceedingly good house, remarkable for its neatness and comfort; mine host is an American, a very civil and obliging man. The table is well supplied, quite in the United States style: for dinner at the *table d'hôte* the charge is half a dollar; for breakfast and tea, a quarter dollar each. The roads from St. John's to La Prairie, a distance of eighteen miles, are notoriously bad; a rail-road, however, is in agitation; and for the sake of the good