

with the Savages of my Acquaintance in Beavers and Skins. We therefore return'd all Thanks to the Gentlemen for their Kindness, and return'd again to *Catarockouy* with much less difficulty than we went. But all this had no other effect than to augment the Itching I had to discover remoter Countries.

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A Description of the Fort Catarockouy, call'd since Frontenac.

THIS Fort is situated a Hundred Leagues from *Quebec* (the Capital City of *Canada*) up the River *St. Laurence* Southwards. It is built near to the Place where the Lake *Ontario* (which is as much as to say, the pretty Lake) discharges it self. It was surrounded with a Rampart, great Stakes and Palifado's, and four Bastions, by the Order of Count *Frontenac*, Governour-General of *Canada*. They found it necessary to build this Fort for a Bulwark against the Excursions of the *Iroquois*, and to interrupt the Trade of Skins that these Savages maintain with the Inhabitants of *New-York*, and the *Hollanders*, who have form'd a New Colony there; for they furnish the Savages with Commodities at cheaper Rates than the *French* of *Canada*.

The *Iroquois* are an insolent and barbarous Nation, that has shed the Blood of more than Two millions of Souls in that vast-extended Country. They never cease from disturbing the

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