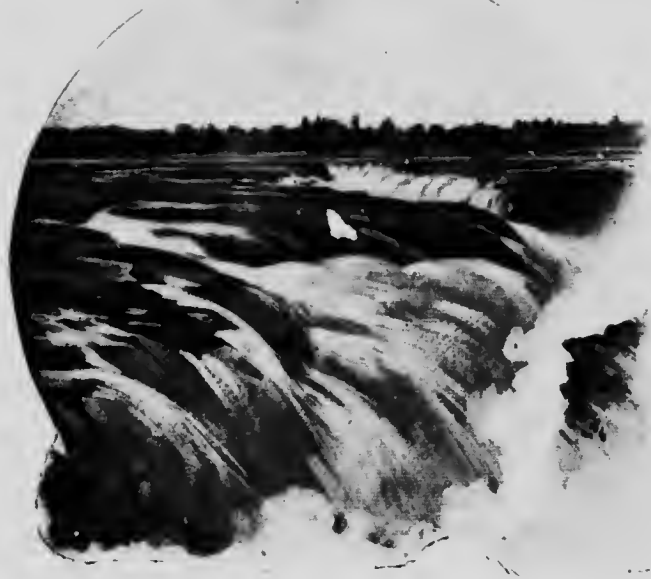




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tribes, when bringing their furs from the North West to trade with the early settlers of Montreal, and the hardy French *Voyageurs* had many thrilling experiences when canoeing through its solitudes in those early days. By the Indians it was called

superiority in grandeur of situation and surroundings, commercial advantages and future possibilities." Then, referring to the view from the Suspension Bridge, as one takes in, on the one hand, "the Chaudière Falls, with their headlong tumble of mighty waters over the precipice, with their drenching cloud of spray," and, on the other hand, "the lofty turrets and spires of the Dominion Buildings, whose massive walls tower above the lofty bluff as it there juts out and overhangs the dark rushing river," he asks, in view of the imposing Capitol and the beauty of its environs "whether Washington or any other city of America can show so grand a *coup d'oeil*."

There was a halo of romance surrounding the Ottawa river in the olden times. It was the great highway, during the 17th century, for the Indian