

further attempts. The long beach or peninsula, which affords a most delightful ride, is considered so healthy by the Indians, that they resort to it whenever indisposed ; and so soon as the bridge over the Don is finished, it will of course be most generally resorted to, not only for pleasure, but as the most convenient road to the heights of Scarborough. The ground, which has been prepared for the government-house, is situated between the town and the river Don, on a most beautiful spot, the vicinity of which is well suited for gardens and a park. The oaks are in general large ; the soil is excellent, and well watered with creeks, one of which, by means of a short dam, may be thrown into all the streets of the town. Vessels of all sizes may be conveniently built here, and a kind of terrace or second bank, in front of the town, affords an excellent situation for a rope walk. The remains of the old French fort Toronto stand a little to the westward of the present garrison, and the river Humber discharges itself into lake Ontario, about two miles and a half west