

*York* is in about 43 degrees and 35 minutes of north latitude, and is the present seat of government of Upper Canada. It is most beautifully situated within an excellent harbour of the same name, made by a long peninsula, which confines a bason of water, sufficiently large to contain a considerable fleet; on the extremity of the peninsula, which is called Gibraltar Point, are commodious stores and block-houses, which command the entrance to the harbour: on the main land, opposite to the point, is the garrison, situated in a fork made by the harbour and a small rivulet; the barracks being built on a knoll, are well situated for health, and command a delightful prospect of the lake to the west, and of the harbour to the east. The government house is about two miles from the east end of the town, at the entrance of the harbour, and the town is increasing rapidly; the river Don empties itself into the harbour a little above the town, running through a marsh, which when drained will afford most beautiful and fruitful meadows. This has already been commenced in a small degree, which will no doubt encourage farther 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 the bridge over the Don being finished, is 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,