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There are few towns in Canada ; but the banks of the river present an uninterrupted prospect of one unbroken chain of villages and churches, for near 400 miles. The *Isle of Orleans*, which lies a little below Quebec, is the first place deserving mention, for the excellent wheat it produces, and the happy state of the peasants, of whom there are several parishes. It is 20 miles long, and 7 broad, and has opposite to it, on the north side, the famous falls of Montmorenci, where General Wolfe first attempted to land his army, but was repulsed. Their noise is distinctly heard at Quebec, though nine miles distant.

Quebec, the capital of Canada, and once the glory of the French empire in America, from its elevated situation, is distinctly seen, at a considerable distance, on the river. It is built on a point of land, formed by the St Laurence on one side, and a small river, called St Charles, on the other ; while a strong wall, mounted with heavy cannon,