

the River which bears its Name, where the Bank is elevated above 60 Feet above the Water's Level. The Fort is Stone-work, laid out in the Form of a Square with four Bastions, and mounted with 40 Cannon. The Ramparts are of Earth, defended with large Stocks of Timber towards the Fosse. There is a Battery that commands the River, and no Danger is apprehended on this Side from any Attack by Ship Guns, since the Tide is so strong as to hinder them from mooring at a proper Distance from the Bank to do Execution. But towards the Land it stands on a Level with the Champaigne Country, and therefore is more expos'd on that Side, and might easily fir'd by Bombs from any Part, as all the Barracks and Magazines are of Wood, except that for Powder, which likewise, tho' built with Stone, is scarcely Bomb Proof.

The River extends itself in a very straight Course East, almost as far as to *Minas*, and is navigable by large Ships 30 Miles into the Country, which is inhabited on each Side by the *French*, who are settled in several pleasant Villages among the Meadows that lie on its Banks. There are reckoned to be about 300 Families of them, who are all aw'd' by the Neighbourhood of the Garrison into good Manners, and a peaceful Behaviour, not daring to shew that ungovernable and refractory Spirit which possesses the rest of their Countrymen in these Parts.