

the damp, cool forest exhaled the most balmy and fragrant odours as we passed through it, and, being void of dust, looked particularly fresh and radiant. A beautiful *savane*, too, which we observed close to the road, was very attractive from the multitudes of the rich, rose-coloured blossoms of the great willow-herb (*Epilobium angustifolium*), which it presented. These charming flower-beds of nature abound in the North American woods, and afford most exquisite breaks in the forest scenery—relieving the monotony of the constant green, and gaining in loveliness themselves by the contrast.

The day throughout was overcast, and some rain fell during the afternoon, but, on the whole, we could not complain of the weather, for it was fresh and very pleasant, in spite of the dark sky and threatening nimbus clouds.

The land, in the immediate neighbourhood of Point Levi, is exceedingly good, and the scenery very beautiful—two or three ravines which we crossed being of surpassing loveliness, especially at this season of the year, when the grass is brilliantly green, and the landscape, generally, has donned its summer robe. The town appears to be chiefly inhabited by French Canadians, and, throughout the seigniories of Joliet and Lauzon, the country is settled almost exclusively by these people—the townships of Standon and Frampton, on the otherhand, being occupied, for the most part, by Irish emigrants.

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FRIDAY 3RD JUNE, QUEBEC 10 A M.

We took a *calèche* this morning, and drove out to the Indian village of Lorette, which is nine miles distant from the city.