



Publisher's Note

A FEW days before his death, which occurred on January 12, 1910, Dr. Hannay handed me the manuscript of the life story of Lady LaTour, with the request that it be published in pamphlet form. The main details of the story had already appeared in his *History of Acadia*, published in 1878, and has been frequently quoted by writers on early history of St. John. LaTour, the husband of Frances Marie Jacqueline, was practically the "first settler" on the River St. John, and an important figure in French Acadia for over half a century. At the end of a tempestous career he was laid to rest somewhere on the banks of the river he loved so well, where also is the resting place of his heroic wife, the Heroine of Acadia.

James Hannay, D.C.L., F.R.S.C., the author of this brochure, was a native of New Brunswick, having been born at Richibucto on April 22, 1842. With the exception of a few years spent in Montreal and New York, Dr. Hannay's whole life was lived in New Brunswick. At an early