

and gradually The surface of the ground then becomes irregular, but the land is of good quality. The timber fit for service, consists of maple, beech, black birch, spruce and fir. The land continues the same as far as the River Ste. Anne, which runs with some degree of rapidity over a bed of gravel. There are in the River several Islands of a certain extent, and the land is of a good quality. The valley along which the River winds, is about four or five arpents in width; at this distance a great bank on the south eastern side of the River Ste. Anne commences; this bank is not very high, and the land continues very good, to the distance of about two miles from the said River, after which there are several small Lakes, near which there are some small rocks, between which there are many patches of land fit for cultivation and of tolerable quality. Between these Lakes, and Lake St. Joseph, the ground rises regularly and the land is very good. The timber fit for service consists of maple, black birch, beech &c. I then descended to the Mill at Fossambault, and began to direct my course towards the north west near the Seigniorial line between Fossambault and Bourg Louis. Leaving the last settlements of the said Seignior of Fossambault, the ground is almost level as far as Lake Sergent, except that along the sides of the different Rivulets which wind through the said tract of country, there are small hollows in which the principal timber is cedar, spruce, fir, ash, and alder; on the level ground the timber is black birch, beech, maple, spruce and fir. The land is of good quality. The said Lake Sergent is bordered by low land, except on the north western side, where the land rises gradually for about a mile. It then falls towards the north west, and there is a small rock to be descended, at the foot of which is a large brook running towards the south west. After ascending the north western bank of this Brook the ground is almost level as far as the outlet of the Lake of the Seven Islands, which is the source of the principal branch of the River Portneuf. The said bank is rather high. Between the said Lake Sergent and the outlet of the Lake of the Seven Islands the land is of good quality. The timber on the higher grounds consists chiefly of maple, beech, black birch, spruce and fir. On the lower ground, spruce, cedar, ash, fir, and alder. Leaving the said Rivulet or River Portneuf the ground rises gradually for about three quarters of a mile; it then begins to fall towards the River Ste. Anne, and at a short distance there is a swamp to be crossed of about half a mile wide; the land is there level and of bad quality. Passing this swamp, the land again becomes good and continues so as far as the River Ste. Anne, falling gradually. The principal timber between the River Portneuf and the Ste. Anne is black birch, spruce, fir, and alder. The distance is about two miles. The said River Ste. Anne runs here over a bed of gravel, and is by no means rapid. There are several Islands in it of considerable extent, and consisting of very good land. The valley along which it winds is about five arpents wide; the main banks are by no means high, but that on the north western side is rather