

vertheless, I only completed at Montreal, from whence I transmitted the whole for the information of His Majesty's Executive Government.

The next course naturally presenting itself in order was the ascent of the Ottawa River, and the visit and examination of the country in the vicinity of that important communication. Leaving Montreal, therefore, on the 24th August, I traversed the Island of that name, and Isle Jesus, passing by the Chemin des Neiges and St. Laurent, to the village of St. Eustache, viewing with much satisfaction the picturesque scenery which presents itself on looking back towards the Montreal Mountain. The numerous orchards, the elegant and tasteful country seats, the interesting little village of St. Laurent, composed of 15 or 20 houses, and various other objects, united to convey many pleasing sensations, and to bespeak the fertility of the soil, the affluence of one class of the inhabitants, and the rural peace and comfort of the agriculturist.

Departure  
for the Ottawa.

The village of St. Eustache is advantageously situated at the estuary of the river Du Chêne, in the midst of a populous country, and on the Stage route to the Ottawa. It contains about 150 houses, many of which are kept by shop-keepers, tradesmen, and hostlers—the population may be estimated at 800 souls. Upon leaving this handsome

St. Eustache.