

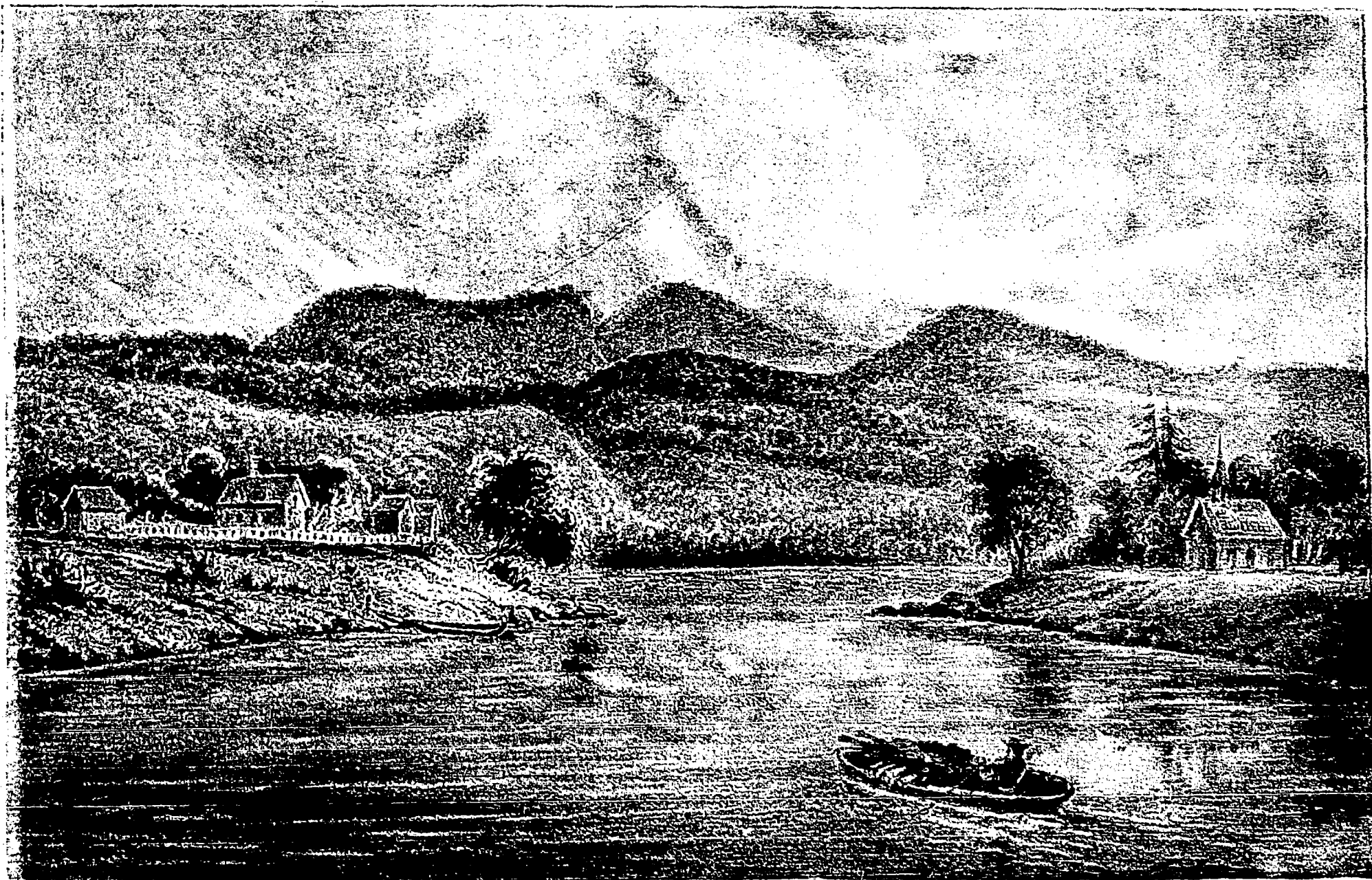
TOWN OF WINNIPEG.

22nd, and it is expected that a conclusion will then be come to. On the French side the Secretary, Mr. Riel, was the principal speaker, and on the English side Mr. James Ross. It is said that Mr. Ross' argument had great weight with some of the opposite side, and it is thought, although this was not admitted by them during the sederunt, it will have its effect in the divisions which may take place on the 22nd. From one of the English delegates I hear that it is not unlikely representatives from English parishes will be allowed to address meetings of the French in their own parishes. The English contend that their French friends are not fully or

truly aware of the facts of the case, and that if allowed to address them in their own parishes, much might be done to allay the irritation which they feel, by convincing them that their information and news are erroneous.

The Quarterly Court was held as usual by Judge Black, but the Court House was fully guarded by a detachment from Fort Garry. As this may be the last court held under the government of the Hudson Bay Company, it may not be uninteresting to mention something of its proceedings. The law is administered according to English practice, and the officers of the Court, besides the Judge, are a Sheriff, Clerk of

the Court, interpreter and crier. The Clerk of the Court is also public prosecutor. There were but two cases before the Court—one of infanticide and one of aggravated assault. The prisoner for infanticide, was an English half-breed. The prosecutor made no address to the jury, as the woman had no counsel; but the judge made up for her want in that way by charging very strongly in her favour, and the result was that instead of being committed for child-murder, the lesser verdict of concealment of pregnancy was brought in. The aggravated assault was made upon Mr. J. A. Snow, Superintendent of the Board, by four men in his employment. Two were acquitted,



FORT METABETCHOUAN ON LAKE ST. JOHN, UPPER SAGUENAY. From a Sketch by A. J. Russell, Esq.