

This long by-road, 4½ miles in length, may now be used by wheeled vehicles for 124 arpents, leaving about eight to complete, which, however, are practicable for winter vehicles.

In the lowlands, the road has cost on the average \$300 per mile, and on the highlands about \$220 per mile.

Three bridges have been erected containing in the whole 102 feet of bridging, which have cost \$90.

This road presents great advantages for colonization. The settlers, who are numerous, have cleared considerable extents of land along that part of the road which is opened, and have even made clearings on the 6th and 7th ranges of Tremblay, in which the road is only traced.

At the distance of about two miles from the base line of the Township of Tremblay, are two lakes of considerable size which discharge into the river Valin. These lakes abound in fish; trout have been taken in them twenty inches in length.

The lands around these lakes and in their vicinity are of superior quality, and the persons who go there to fish say that they have seen no finer lands in the whole Saguenay territory. These fine lands extend to a considerable distance in rear of the Townships of Seward and Tremblay.

Mr. Gagnon gives the following information in his report. "A number of *habitans* forming part of a Colonization Society established at Beauport, came here this autumn; they took up a good many lots in Seward and Tremblay, and begun clearing. Some of them are located in the 8th and 9th ranges of Tremblay, in the hope that the Government will extend that road so far. Our settlers from Beauport are very well satisfied with the place and the quality of the soil, and say that a number of new settlers will come and join them next spring. Several of them have told me that before establishing themselves, they had examined several other localities, and that they had seen no better lands than those they were then on.

"There are three water powers in these two Townships; one on the River Caribou, another on the Riviere aux Vases, and the third in the 10th range of Tremblay.

"There is a fine limestone quarry extending a distance of three miles across the 3rd and 4th ranges of Seward and Tremblay, another, half a mile square, exists in the tenth range of Tremblay.

"The River Shepehat which passes nine miles in rear of these two Townships, flows for the distance of a mile through a bed of calcareous limestone, the fissure through which it passes being so narrow as to have the appearance of being cut by the hand of man."

Mr. Gagnon says that since this road has been commenced, the number of lots which have been taken up is very considerable, and that colonization is making rapid progress.

The population of these Townships has doubled during the last five years. The crops have been abundant, and have in no instance suffered from frost.

This road is verbalized.

Anse St. Jean Road.

Conductor—L. E. OTIS.

Balance of appropriation of 1860	-	-	-	\$7 60
Amount appropriated in 1861	-	-	-	300 00
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				\$307 60
Amount expended	-	-	-	300 00
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Balance	-	-	-	\$7 60

The fine Township of St. Jean, to which at the present time many settlers are directing their steps, is only accessible by water. The Anse St. Jean Road, when completed as far as the St. Agnes Road, will open a communication between that locality and the old settlements of the St. Lawrence and Upper Saguenay.

The extent of road completed in 1861 is one mile three arpents and six chains; four arpents more are almost completed. This added to the length completed last years, gives 2 miles twelve arpents and six chains as practicable for summer vehicles.