

begun by the French during the Campaign in 1759, but not completed 'till the retreat of their Army after the action of the 13th September. This post served them as a frontier all that ensuing winter, commands the River Jacques Cartier, towards which from the situation of the Ground, it is extremely strong, but is not capable of the least resistance, if attacked on the other side.—It is of no use to us at present, as it no where commands y^e main River.

Deschambeaux

About four leagues above the Jacques Cartier, is the point Des Chambeaux.—This place may be fortified to very good advantage, and in my opinion, is the strongest and most important post in the Country. It naturally divides the whole into two parts, is the only road or avenue from lower to upper Canada, on this side of the S^t Lawrence, and commands the rapids of Richelieu; by erecting batteries on the small island of that name, and some fortifications on the South shore the passes by Land and by Water may be rendered equally difficult, which is better explained by the survey and (a) plan of the fortifications hereto annexed.

STATE OF THE GOVERNMENT UNDER THE FRENCH
ADMINISTRATION

The Governor General was Chief in all Military, and the Intendant in all Civil, affairs; The latter superintended the justice, police and finances of the Government, he