

The Commissioners have the satisfaction of stating, that the wharf has been finished and the *Gallots* cut down much to their satisfaction, that the *Trois Roches* have either been removed or blasted, but from the lateness of the season, and uncommon bad weather, all the fragments have not been removed, in consequence of which a sum equivalent to the work in their opinion to be done, has been stopt from the contractor, who is still held bound to finish the work.

The effects of what has already been done, the commissioners can with confidence say, surpasses their most sanguine expectations, and in their humble opinion, if the wharf is continued three hundred feet more in the line, pointed out on the plan now submitted, there will at all times be sufficient water in the rapids to answer every purpose of navigation for scows, boats or rafts, for which they conceive a sum not exceeding six to seven hundred pounds may be wanted.

Unexperienced as the Commissioners must be in works so new in this country, they cannot pledge themselves, but that a wharf may hereafter be necessary on the south side, but as far as their judgment goes they see no probability that such a thing will ever be wanted, the old habits and prejudices of the pilots they conceive more difficult to be got the better of than the natural impediments in the navigation.

The Commissioners beg leave to state, that, for the easier passage of loaded boats from *Montreal* to *La Prairie*, and that part of the Province contiguous to and above it, it may be necessary to cut down a reef of shelving rocks, but of no great extent, at Point *Saint Charles*, and that there are many places on the water communication between *Montreal* and *Coteau du Lac*, and from thence up to the Lake, *Susceptible* of great improvement by removing rocks, blasting of flats, deepning the channel, and making paths along the bank: from the nature of the work to be done it is impossible for the Commissioners to state what the expence may be, but they humbly conceive that a sum not exceeding five or six hundred pounds laid out towards the purposes above mentioned,