

This plan was prepared for the British Government and sent to the Secretary of State on the 8th of October 1759, by Brigadier Townshend.

It is the most complete engraved plan that we possess and contains over seventy references which are embodied in a small quarto journal of sixteen pages.

The difficulty and expense of reproducing this plan with its second plate overlying the first, are probably among the reasons why it has not been included in later works, if it is not due to the fact that it is still comparatively unknown.

The journal and plan are considered by competent authorities to be amongst the most scarce works relating to the siege and it is seldom that a copy is offered for sale. There does not appear to be an example of the plan and journal in the British Museum nor is it to be found in the Library of Congress at Washington.

The late Abbé Verreau, an eminent authority on Canadian history, after having carefully examined the journal and plan in the possession of the authors, pronounced it to be a work of exceptional value, and quite unknown to him. Mr. Phileas Gagnon, of Quebec, whose opinion on such matters is of the highest value, stated that he was not aware of the existence of such a plan. It is therefore of particular interest to students of Canadian history.

The most perfect manuscript plan of the operations of the Siege is undoubtedly the "King's Map" preserved in the British Museum. It is superbly executed in colours and measures 14 ft. x 5.

Mr. Hyatt, after having examined the plan, estimated that thirty printings would be required to ensure a faithful reproduction.

The plan, however, is too large to be included in a work of the present form.

A fac-simile in colours for the purpose of reference was made of that portion of Quebec which lies between the walls of the city and Sillery, and also a photograph of a part of the plan which shows the actual battlefield.

Several details are found on this plan which are not to be obtained elsewhere. The place where Wolfe fell is clearly marked, and the exact number of men in the line of battle is also given.

Another fine manuscript plan of the Siege in colours, 5 ft. 10 x 2 ft. 4, is preserved in the British Museum. It is the work of three engineers of Wolfe's army. As the plan had not hitherto been copied, a reduction