

whirlpool some feet below us. Advancing near this place, the Indian in the stern with a smile, pointing to the shore, expressed that he wished we were on it—The smile was returned to animate him: He gave the sign, that no motion of the body must take place. Laying aside his hat, and crossing himself, he spoke to his companion in the bow; both redoubled their exertions, and in a moment we passed all danger, and found ourselves gliding down with the current.—Curiosity led us to land and view the dangerous place, where we had passed unhurt.

Part of the British army perished at this place, by following the pilot's boat in front, which from his skill went safe, where wind, compass, and deep water, are not all the requisites for successful navigation. A lock and canal convey boats now, without risking the dangers of the rapids.

The Isles of Montreal and Orleans, are the most noted. The first has been described, and is made remarkable, by its mountain, which in English, is the Royal Mountain. The second is near Quebec:—It contains several villages, and is under high cultivation.