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Every where between Lake St Peter and Montreal, the country is composed of fine plains, which are but little cultivated, except immediately near the fhores and banks of the river. The reft of the lands are covered with wcods, the nobleft that imagination can conceive, and altogether of the most useful kinds, of which they have fent off confiderable quantities as lumber, and for building.

Montreal is a handfome well built city, about two thirds of the fize of Quebec, abounding with all the conveniencies of life, and exceedingly well fituated for carrying on a general trade with the Indian nations that inhabit the countries to the weftward *. Its citizens, among whom are many British families, are diffinguished for their humanity and politeness, and that phi-

* Montreal has fent home this year, 1786, the greateft quantity of furs that have been imported into England from thence fince the Americans took it in 1776.