

From this piece of History, no one will conceive, that the temporary huts, formed on the Island Saint Croix, were ^{even} reared on such regular & strong foundations, as those discovered there by the English researches, in the year 1797.

But if those were not erected by DeMonts and his company, it may be asked when were they built? Should the Agent for the United States attempt to answer the question, the observations used in the supplemental argument of his Majesty's agent will be repeated, that the answer is merely conjectural ^{but} and the offspring of a lively imagination.

Whilst on the other side, the fact, that the Islands in the Scoodiac are the place where DeMonts wintered is to be supported from the ruins there discovered, and the ruins there discovered are proved to be those of his buildings, because he wintered there. The proof of such averments, rests altogether in conjecture and fancy, unless the Agent for his Majesty will condescend to notice the testimony of the witnesses, whom he calls the wretched remnant of the Passequody Tribe. — If he calls that to his aid, the whole is to be taken together, & then the fact is proved, that altho' DeMonts wintered on the Scoodiac, yet the Magaquadarie was the Saint Croix of him, of L'Escarbot and Champlain.

La saison du printemps passée au voyage des Armouchiquois, le Sieur DeMonts attend à Saint Croix le temps qu'il avoit convenu: Le Sieur DeMonts eut bien désiré que l'habitation nouvelle eut été comme par les quarante degrés, scarfior a six degrés plus au midi que le lieu de Sainte Croix: mais apres avoir vu la côte jusques a Malebarre, & avec beaucoup de peines, sans trouver ce qu'il desirroit, on delibera d'aller au Port Royal faire la demeure attendant qu'il y eut moyen de faire plus ample decouvertte ainsi voila chacun embesigne a troufer son paquet: on demolit ce qu'on avoit bati avec mille travaux, hors mis le magazin &c L'Escarbot Chap. 8.

The Agent for the United States has pledged himself to furnish a reasonable account of the map of a regular city on the Island Saint Croix, without allowing that those things which are there represented, ever had an existence.

There were parties in France at that time who were, as is usual on all occasions of enterprise, opposed to the interest of DeMonts. L'Escarbot in his sixth book tells us that between the Fort & the Cannon, all was full of gardens, where the men willingly exercised themselves, that all autumn was passed in these works. and that it was proper for them to have lodged themselves, & to have manured the ground, before winter (where the manure came from is not known) because that there were Pamphlets published in France against DeMonts and his project. — We know from this & Champlain's history that DeMonts was ultimately ruined by the project, was cast out of place, and very soon died. (a) (b)

The voyager whom we are contemplating, had all the enemies, all the ambition, & all the disappointments incident to enterprises of the nature of that in which he had engaged himself. To support himself against these, he had recourse to a great many inventions. Champdore was sent back to the source of temptation, the mines; to what, from that project is now called Menis, to obtain metals, which when carried to France would tend to maintain the credit of the enterprise. (b)

The taste of the day was inclined to the search for golden mines, Jewels, Pearls, &c

(a) Demonts was a Protestant by his faith, and could not fail to have amongst vicious, abandoned, corrupted and wicked clergy, a great number of investors and powerful enemies.

In (a) a l'opposite du logis dudit Sieur DeMonts étoit une gallerie couverte pour l'exercice soit du jeu ou des ouvriers en temps de pluie. Et entre le dit fort, & la plateforme du canon, tout étoit rempli de jardins, a quoy, chacun s'exercoit de gaieté de cœur. Tout l'automne se passa a ceci: & ne fut pas mal alle de s'être logé & avoir défriché l'île avant l'hiver, tandis que par de ca on faisoit courir les livrets sous le nom de maître Guillaume, farcis de toutes sortes de nouvelles; par lequel entre autre chose ce prognostiquer disoit, que le Sieur DeMonts attachoit des épines en Canada. (L'Escarbot Chap. 6, page 161.)

(b) Comme on étoit apres a deserter l'île Champdore fut r'envoyé a La Baye Sainte Marie avec un maître de mines, qu'on y avoit mené pour tirer de la mine d'argent, & de fer; ce qu'ils firent. (page 147.)