

With the European constitution and the Governor Brown and most of his attendants, became ill. Mr. Gibbs however continued his walks, forcing after his way through thickets with Negroes in advances by the axe and cutlass so clear his path: on a road so opened, his prospects must have been very confined. It was travelling on the banks, or (where shallow) in the beds of the river; and more particularly of that disemboguing into Carapure, now Queen 's Bay and the Great River flowing to 'Gras Cochon' that Mr. Gibbs seems delighted with the objects of Nature and he describes Cascades breaking over our rocks viewed through areas of the richest foliage, bending over and shading the river with the enthusiasm of a painter.

Discoveries made since Mr. Gibbs wrote: will more fully display the characteristic scenery of this beautiful Island, and I reserve the descriptive account, for a distinct and appropriate chapter of this work.

Having made this desultory excursion amongst the charails we will attend Mr. Gibbs on his return to Gov. Brown resident on board-the Melville Schomen, at anchor in 'Petit Cochon' on Kings' Bay.

Mr. Simpson had for some weeks previous to the arrival of Governor Brown been employed in the survey of the windward country; and desiring the signal fires, the Melville immediately proceeded in course to pay his respects to the Governor.

The first object of official conversation and enquiry was respecting the proper situation for the seat of government and establishments of a principal town, which might be the most advantageous as a stadium and for intercourse: -the requisites were fresh water, good air, an area sufficient for buildings and gardens; and a accommodating harbour; for the accommodation of Residents; and for the General Resort on business- a central situation, and the means of terracing roads of easy communication inland or by the coast. The country bordering on 'Petit Cochen' was in every respect ill suited to the purpose;- there was scarcely level ground for even a small town; the approaches to it were rugged, mountainous and difficult in the entrance it was at the very bastion extremity of the island and its bay however sheltered, deep and the anchorage so good had the disadvantage of the prevalent winds and currents setting on the entrance, and preventing the departure of