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Sir or Madam

A gentleman has mentioned to me as probable that I could obtain from you some account of the Country that lies between the forks of the Northeast branch of the Penobscot and the head waters of the river St. Johns.

I will state my object. There is now considerable stir about a railroad to Quebec. It is my opinion the proposed improved connection between our Coast and Quebec ought to be by a railroad to Moosehead lake, thence through the lake by steam and a canal from the lake to the Chaudiere river, or from the forks of the Penobscot if it be practicable to pass steam boats into the Penobscot river and to make a slack water navigation to the forks, or has