



SECRETS OF THE RESTIGOUCHE [10-98]

**The secrets of the Restigouche
Are known to only me.
The first to hike this river trail
Along the IAT.**

**All through these mountains there is cut,
A canyon long and deep.
And to its flank rush joyful brooks,
From gulches rough and steep.**

**And o'er this all the trail is laid,
Not for the faint at heart.
Built by a chap they call Maurice,
A classic work of art.**

**If in you there's some mountain goat,
Will serve you well, indeed.
Surefootedness on mountain walls,
A skill that you will need.**

**'twill take you days to hike this through,
The miles you need not rush.
For it will take the strongest man,
And turn his limbs to mush.**

**So, if you've got the yearn and bent,
I'd recommend to you.
To come and see what I have seen,
And plan to tough it through.**

**And now I bid thee, Restigouche,
Enchanted land, farewell!
If you would know its secrets...come.
For I will never tell.**