

Oxford; and there's few men that have got as much learning now-a-days. What an army that was! Every man was dressed in superfine broad cloth, with gold knee buckles. And, besides, though I am almost ashamed to say it, I am connected by marriage with General Arnold's family. He was a good soldier, though, at Sarritoaag, and some said he got the victory there. Why don't you sing the old songs oftener, boys?

That the great Mount Defiance
They soon would fortify:—
We found that we must quit our lines,
Or ev'ry man must die.

Which soon we did in haste perform,
And went to Sarritoaag,
A burning all the buildings
We found along the road.

'Twas then the generous thought inspir'd
The noble Gates's mind,
For to send out Gin'ral Arnold,
To see if he could find

A passage through the inimy,
Wherever he might be;
Which soon he did accomplish,
And set the country free."

I made a passage to Crown Point one pleasant afternoon and evening, in a small lake schooner, built of boards, laid in several courses, without timber, on Annesley's plan. Its masts also were made so as to be easily struck; and the dimensions and fixtures being those of a canal-boat, it had taken a cargo through the Erie Canal, I believe to New-York, and was now on its return to the lower part of Lake Champlain. The crew, consisting of only two men and a boy, were full of fresh water wit and anecdotes, and incidents by canal, lake, and river, and at once skilful and obliging. As they were telling a long eel story, the neighbouring eminences on the left, and the distant ridges of the Green Mountains on the east, especially the Camel's Hump, made a magnificent appearance in the declining sun, while we passed near enough to the scattered dwellings to feel