

SIR JOSEPH BANKS AGAIN :

QUEEN CHARLOTTE, AND SOME CAN-
ADIAN LOCAL NAMES; A
SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE.

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A few years ago I printed in pamphlet form a letter addressed to Sir Joseph Banks, President of the Royal Society of Great Britain from 1777 to 1820, by Lieut.-Gov. Simcoe, prior to his leaving England for the as yet non-existent Province of Upper Canada; in which letter the Governor lays before the learned President, confidentially, his views of the principles and practices which should give character to the new territory about to be organized by him. As detailed in my preliminary remarks, I obtained possession of a manuscript copy of this letter, made by the hand of a member of the Simcoe family, and it seemed all the more important in consequence of the fact that it is not to be found in the manuscript series of the Simcoe papers, preserved in the Parliamentary library at Ottawa. Many persons, as I have reason to know, have been interested in this reprint, which bears the date of 1890. When the papers of Sir Joseph Banks were offered for sale by the eminent London dealer, Mr. John Waller, the original of this identical letter was in the collection, and I did my best to get possession of it, but failed. I secured, however, from among Sir Joseph's papers, an original manuscript document, which is curious, as showing the friendly and even intimate relations subsisting between Sir Joseph and