

squatter, from Peacock's Point, Lake Erie, and a man named Dunham, were suspected, courtmartialed and hung on the gallows erected on the Heights.

1812. When Gen Brock first heard of the invasion of the Province by Gen. Hull and his forces, he determined to proceed westward in person and call for volunteers to accompany him to Amherstburg. The following is an extract from a letter written by him to the Governor General, Sir George Prevost: "That the Provinces cannot be maintained by the present force of regulars is very obvious, and unless the enemy is driven from Sandwich it will be impossible, much longer, to arrest the impending ruin of the country." In answer to Gen. Brock's proclamation five hundred young men, chiefly the sons of United Empire Loyalists, offered themselves as his body guard. With two hundred and fifty of these, on the 6th of August, he left York by boat, heading for Burlington Heights, where he found awaiting him, upon his arrival here, another nucleus of the army of Upper Canadian Militia under Captains Hull, Durand, Chisholm and Hatt. These flank companies made up a very important part of the body of true and faithful men to whom Gen. Brock gave his dying command on fatal Queenston Heights, when he cried, "Push on the brave York Volunteers."

From the hour when Brock stepped on this threshold of the war, the Heights, during all the fluctuating fortunes of the times, became a "City of Refuge" to the Province. Here were brought the sick and wounded. After the defeat of Proctor at Moraviantown and the death of Tecumseh, western Indians, to the number of two thousand, with their families, like sheep without a shepherd, instinctively flew to their old national shelter. Women and children and the aged, the sick and the wounded, after the burning of "Old Niagara" by the Americans, were brought over fearful roads here for protection and care. Precious relics were buried in the grounds of Dundurn for safe keeping and live stock driven from every direction for safety from bands of predatory marauders.

Brock, Prevost, Vincent, Proctor, Harvey, Yeo, DeRottenburg, Bishopp, and many other distinguished personages of the war, with regiments, companies of regiments, and, as in the case of the 41st regiment after the siege of Fort George, "all