

and also Grand Master of the Masonic Order in Upper Canada. He came on the transport which brought the Second Rangers. At that time there was not a legal grant of lands, but the settlers held their lands by letters of occupation to be made out upon his arrival. The Secretary of Lower Canada had been doing this work for years without fee or reward. In this division of the Provinces all the emoluments fell to Mr. Jarvis. From twelve to twenty thousand people were to pay Mr. Jarvis a guinea each. Mr. Jarvis called it a "petty thing." One of his New England relatives thought it a handsome salary. The voyage to Canada is not necessary to describe. They arrived safely, landing at Sorel, and welcomed on all sides, with unbounded hospitality, during their progress from Sorel to Kingston. They afterwards went to Niagara, where he said everyone had fever and ague.

POSTAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Postal communication was entirely disarranged during the war. When peace came the postage was so high that every one improved the opportunity to send by private hands. Many letters never reached their destination. Postage on a two-ounce letter for England was one dollar. It took over a month for a letter from Kingston to York in 1815, and Kingston only one hundred and forty miles from York.