

Not far from the memorial of Fort Rouille, the decaying blockhouses and ruinous abattis of the "Old Fort," recall an incident of the invasion of 1812. On the heights overlooking the city was fought the first skirmish in Upper Canada of the short-lived, but not unfruitful, rebellion of 1837.

As a monument, both of earlier and later times, stand the antiquated Parliament Buildings, still occupying, though abandoned, the site originally allotted for public purposes, by Governor Simcoe, on the plan of the town. They were the scene of some of the most interesting and critical debates, in the long struggle for the rights of colonial self-government, preceding the constitution of 1840.

With some fitness, therefore, may an invitation be extended to hold an Intercolonial Historical Exhibition, in honor of the discoverer of Canada, in Toronto, the prehistoric 'meeting place of nations.'

While disclaiming any desire to attempt a World's Fair in Toronto, it does not seem that it would be too great an effort for the Directors of our annual Industrial Fair to expand it for the occasion into a general industrial exhibition for the Dominion, perhaps participated in by all the colonies of the Empire, as a demonstration of some of the material results of that course of maritime discovery and exploration, of which Cabot's expedition was the forerunner.

