

The remaining six were led by Samachet. At the close of the day of preparation, our march commenced along the banks of the Erie ; and long before dawn, the increasing thunder of the Niagara announced its termination. We raised some wigwams with the boughs of trees and covered them with rushes ; and having seen that the implements of the chase, together with a canoe and some fishing tackle were safely deposited, lay down and reposed till sun-rise.

Samachet was up when I awoke, and had walked with Timoeë to take a nearer view of the falls :—thither I followed them. The astounding bellow with which the river, (9) half a mile in width, fell from a ledge twice the height of our tallest pines, and dashed with dreadful force upon a bed of rocks beneath, whence arose a pillar of foam often displaying the most brilliant colours, at once alarmed and gratified the tender female, who instinctively grasped the arm of Samachet as he approached the