

among others who had refused to take the oath of allegiance to the king of England, I obtained a passport for my native land.

Since the 16th of April, 1813, three large editions of my View of Upper Canada, have been printed and distributed by persons to whom I gave that liberty, and the work has been read (as far as I have been informed) with general satisfaction; however, I found that it was too small to gratify all the enquiries of the public relative to British North America, I therefore felt it my duty to present to the public a larger volume, that should embrace every species of information that could be obtained on the subject. I owed it as an acknowledgment for the ready reception of my small work.

Secondly, from the above remarks it may be seen that one of my reasons for publishing this work is, to gratify (and perhaps benefit) the public; and my other reason is, for the benefit of myself, for I am needy enough, having lost all the property I had (chiefly land) in Upper Canada, rather than remain there and be obliged to fight against my own country.