

Supplement

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The patrons of the Niagara Reporter will not be surprised at not having received their regular files, when they learn that it is for one of the very best reasons that could be assigned, viz. the Proprietor, Editor, and all hands, being absent from home and under Arms in defence of their Country. much has heretofore been said about mock Loyalty, but I think a very few specimens of such Loyalty as exhibited by the Proprietor, Editor, and all the men engaged in this office will forever establish that purity and patriotic zeal which was so fully and clearly developed on Thursday last, by their shouldering their muskets and marching off with a quick step and cheerful countenance which is always characteristic of a true Brittan—scarcely having time to say to the family, good by—to smith take care of my office—take the Editorial chair and do the best you can,—I am going to Fort Erie

MACKENZIE after being disarmed by the authorities in Buffalo and not unlike the heathenish ancient Vulcan after being kicked out of heaven, is setting up his fortress on Navey Island, a few miles above Chippeway on the British side of the channel directly opposite the lower end of Grand Island, a place we are informed possessing many war like advantages, his forces are reported to be about two hundred strong with two field peices, this island was once fortified by the French and next by the British in the last war with the United States, access to it would be very difficult except from the lower end of Grand Island which belongs to the United States, the channel running directly between the two, we would also state and we believe from good authority that he Mackenzie is assisted or accompanied by the son of General Van Renssler and nephew to Stephen Van Renssler, member of the United States Senate, the family a very respectable and very extensively wealthy, this we say from our own personal knowledge, but he will not stay with him long unless he has lost his

sences—money he does not want and honor he cannot get but, vice versa, with a tenfold vengeance if he is ever caught on this side of the line.

N. B. Since writing the above we are informed by a gentleman direct from Chippewa in whom we can place confidence, confirming the above statement with this addition, that he intends crossing at Navy Island, Gravelly bay, or landing at the mouth of Grand river, and to accomplish his object is preparing a steamer at Buffalo

Report says that, Colonel Mc Nab has defeated the Rebels at or near Bradford under the command of Doctor Duncanson, the particulars we have not learned.

From The Courier and Enquirer.

Canadian affairs.—We understand that depositions were yesterday made in this city, that agents of the insurgents in Canada, were openly recruiting in Burlington and other places in Vermont, and sending into Canada, men and munitions of war, for the use of those in arms against Government. These depositions were forwarded to England, by yesterday's Packet, and to the British Minister at Washington, and will doubtless be the cause of an immediate demand upon our Executive to put an end to such proceedings in future.

☞ If there had remained the least doubt in the mind of any foreigner, by standard, or visiting Traveler, of the Bravery & Loyalty of the People of Upper Canada, it would have been effectually removed on seeing the GOVERNOR & all the high officials, in every part of the province at a moment's warning seize upon their arms, rallying even their own clerks and forming them into their own respective divisions, and boldly lead them on to the defence of their insulted rights and liberties; here never was, or ever will be, nor ever can be, a more patriotic display of true Loyalty and decided heroism that has within these few days past been set down to the everlasting Credit of those valiant and zealous defenders of, Queen and country, it is an honor to them at home and abroad, and a terror to evil doers, and may God have mercy on those poor mortals whose wicked and over heated ambition has driven them within the walls of a sulsome prison

LOWER CANADA

Nothing of importance since our last: the rebel army has ceased to exist from the wounds given by Colonel Gore and the war apparently at an end. Lord Gosford has issued a merciful proclamation, calling on the people to return to their homes promising them their pardon.—From the Albion.

WE hope that Mr Sewell and the worthy Editor of the Reporter as well as others who may chance to read the above will excuse all typical & grammatical errors that may appear in this our first undertaking we confess it would much more become us to be repairing old guns, but in a time of Rebellion we will not refuse to do a little of both, especially when requested to do so.