

NOTES

In the following notes, contractions will be employed as follows:

"Dent." The story of the Upper Canadian Rebellion by John Charles Dent, Toronto, 1885. This work is more than usually accurate in the account of the "Caroline" episode. I have not referred to "The Cutting out of the 'Caroline' and other Reminiscences of 1837-38" by Robert Stuart Woods, Q.C., (afterwards Judge Woods), Chatham, Ont., 1885—everything of value in that work has been utilized by Dent.

"Head." A Narrative by Sir Francis B. Head, Bart. 2nd Edn., London, 1839. I have not quoted Head's "Emigrant"—it does not afford any useful material.

"Leg. Ass." Journal of the House of Assembly, Upper Canada, Session 1837-8, Toronto, 1838 (Official).

"G. T. D." The Burning of the "Caroline," by G. T. D. (George Taylor Denison, Sr., father of the Police Magistrate of Toronto, of the same name). The Canadian Monthly and National Review, Vol. 3, 289 (April 1873). The head note reads "The following narrative is by a Canadian officer who served against the rebels and their American sympathisers." It does not appear that Denison took part in the cutting out.

"Trial." Gould's Stenographic Reporter, Vol. II, Washington, D.C., 1841. This contains a full stenographic account of the trial at Utica, N.Y., October, 1841, of Alexander McLeod, charged with the murder of Amos Durfee at Schlosser, at the cutting out of the "Caroline." It was satisfactorily proved that McLeod was not in the expedition at all, although both he and his friends had claimed that he was.

"Kingsford." The History of Canada, by William Kingsford, LL.D., F.R.S. Can., Toronto, and London, 1898, Vol. X.

"Lindsey." The Life and Times of Wm. Lyon Mackenzie, by Charles Lindsey, two volumes, Toronto, 1862.

¹ Probably Col. Kenneth Cameron, formerly of the 79th Highlanders and at that time Assistant Adjutant General.

² Possession was taken by the "Patriots" of Navy Island, December 13th, 1837.

³ Colonel (afterwards Sir) Allan Napier MacNab arrived at Chippewa, December 20th. His name is found spelled in many ways: McNab, McNabb, M'Nab, M'Nabb, Macnab, Macnabb. He was placed in command on this frontier and was afterwards knighted for his services.

⁴ Lieutenant Governor Francis Bond Head as early as December 13th, 1837, had sent a remonstrance to Governor Marcy, of the State of New York, concerning the agitation at Buffalo to procure countenance and support for the disaffected in Upper Canada. Head, 332; Leg. Ass., 97—the Governor, December 19, issued a Proclamation against attempts to set on foot military expeditions or enterprises in violation of the laws of the land, and the relations of amity between the United States and the United Kingdom, Leg. Ass., 98—this was almost a dead letter and practically nothing was done for weeks to check the movement. On Navy Island being occupied, Head, December 23, sent Archibald McLean, Speaker of the House, to Washington with a full account for the British Ambassador, Henry S. Fox. Head, 335; Leg. Ass., 98.

⁵ I have not seen this "experiment" of the Magistrates noted by any other writer.

⁶ Richard Arnold's account is as follows (Dent, Vol. 2, p. 215):

"The next day (*i.e.* December 26, 1837) I and several other volunteers accompanied Captain Drew on a reconnoitering expedition. We set out from Chippewa Creek in a small boat and proceeded to circumnavigate Navy Island, where we