

going. This is well chosen for defence, overlooking the surrounding country to a great distance, the embankment is in the shape of a moccasined foot, the heel pointing to the south and the toes north, enclosing about three and a half acres of ground ; some parts of the embankment are from two to three feet high. Some pieces of pottery were obtained here, also pieces of clay pipes, one of them richly ornamented, an entire pipe, a piece of a human skull polished, and with several notches in the edge. The "terra cotta" found here is elaborate in its workmanship, and is as hard as the stoneware of the present day. A few rounded pieces of pottery in the shape of coin, about the size of a quarter of a dollar and less were also found; together with a beautifully polished bone needle, and a piece of ivory in the shape of a knife. Humboldt says that in Canada he had seen lines of defences and entrenchments of extraordinary length, the work of some people belonging to the early ages, and that amidst the extensive plains of Upper Canada, dykes of a considerable length, weapons of brass, and sculptured stones are found, which are the indications that it was formerly inhabited by industrious nations. Vestiges of a proud and once powerful race are traceable in various parts of Canada, and are worthy of patient and thorough investigation. It is by the careful collection and preservation of facts, similar to those contained in this paper, minute though they may be in detail, that a sufficiency of data can be gathered from which some future historian may do justice to the earlier inhabitants of this country, and trace a history of Primitive Canada.