

Lient.-General Hunter, who commanded the troops in both provinces, and was then in York, expressed his displeasure to the colonel for his so rashly venturing in an open boat, which was never known to have crossed the lake before.

Soon after this event, Major Wulff, of the Royal Artillery, now General Wulff, was quartered at Niagara. His servant, returning across the common from Fort George to his master's quarters in the town, met a soldier of the 49th, Fitzpatrick by name, running towards the fort, and was stopped and asked by him the hour of the day. On being told, Fitzpatrick exclaimed: "Thank God, I will not be too late for the roll call at dinner, for if I were, that tyrant, ———, would send me to knapsack drill for a week. But, by God!"—and he muttered something of a threatening character, too indistinct, however, for the servant to understand, as he ran off again towards the fort. The soldier's remark and manner made such an impression on the servant's mind, that he at once reported the circumstance to his master, who immediately went over to the fort, distant about half a mile, and repeated to Colonel Sheaffe what his servant had told him. Fitzpatrick was instantly sent for; and, on being interrogated, shewed such symptoms of guilt, although he confessed nothing, that he was ordered to be put in irons, and shut up in one of the cells attached to the garrison guard-house. His confinement, and in irons, of course became quickly known in the garrison; and thereupon a soldier of the regiment, named Daly, a servant of Captain Dennis, confessed to his master that he was one of the conspirators, having become such through the persuasion of Sergeant Clarke. Now, Daly had been enlisted by this sergeant in Ireland the previous year, and had joined the regiment with him