

"Words and Places" there is a map showing the Danish and Saxon names in Normandy, and their rarity in Brittany. The name "Briquebec," according to Taylor, means the "birch-fringed brook," and has, he says, its equivalent in the Birkbeck of Westmoreland. Caudebec, Houlbec, Foulbec, *i.e.*, Coldstream, Lowstream, Muddy Creek, are other examples of Norse names in Normandy. Dr. Douglas thinks that some recollection of Briquebec, near Cherbourg, may have confirmed the French sailors in their adoption of the name which they heard the Algonquin Indians giving to the spot which, in Cartier's time, the Iroquis had called Stadacona. The question continues, however, to be involved in obscurity.—(*Old and New—Montreal Gazette*, April, 1901.)

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NELSON AT QUEBEC.

To the Editor of *Notes and Queries* :

Sir,—In what year was Lord Nelson in Quebec?

Montreal.

BEAVER.

"In Robert Southey's pleasing "Life of Lord Nelson" the following passage occurs :—"At Quebec, Nelson became acquainted with Alexander Davidson, by whose interference he was prevented from making what would have been called an imprudent marriage. The *Albemarle* was about to leave the station, her captain had taken leave of his friends, and was gone down the river to the place of anchorage; when the next morning, as Davidson was walking on the beach, to his surprise he saw Nelson coming back in his boat. Upon inquiring the cause of his reappearance, Nelson took his arm to walk towards the town, and told him he found it utterly impossible to leave Quebec without again seeing the woman whose society contributed so much to his happiness, and then and there offering her his hand. 'If you do,' said his friend, 'your utter ruin must inevitably follow.' 'Then let it follow,' cried Nelson, 'for I am resolved to do it.' 'And I,' replied Davidson, 'am resolved you shall not.' Nelson, however, on this occasion was less resolved than his friend, and suffered himself to be led back to the boat."

At p. 198 of my friend, Sir James McPherson LeMoine's "Chronicles of the St. Lawrence" (1878) the following passage may be found :—"Here (Island of Orleans), anchored, it would seem, Nelson's sloop-of-war, the *Albemarle*, in 1782, when the love-sick Horatio returned to Quebec for a last farewell from