

found a most civilized circle graced by several fair ladies. At daylight struck our tents and went by steamer to Queenston, marched to the Falls. Thermometer 120° Rich foliage of solemn forests, luxuriant crops of grain. Soon after Lord Durham, family and suite arrived. I suppose Niagara Falls never saw such a convocation of cocked hats as was on 17th July. His Excellency was met by Lord Colborne and Sir George Arthur with their staffs. A grand review and two hundred persons to dinner. Immense concourse chiefly Americans. One regiment Light Infantry 600 strong, one squad 1st Dragoon Guards, two guns three companies of 2<sup>nd</sup> Regiment. A troop of Niagara Lancers, a most excellent and efficient corps."

Sir Jas. Alexander in L'Acadie, 1841—An officer in ———, "visited Col. Talbot, Niagara, took part in a Court Martial at Niagara on an old officer who had left his post at Fort Mississauga for Buffalo with a woman of loose character, found guilty and had to leave the service. Visited Fort Niagara, American officers very friendly, four canoes over and dined at Lieut. Moody's R. E."

Sir Richard Bonnycastle 1845,—Describes the ice jam at Queenston, ice piled thirty feet high and the wharf injured. A flag at Fort Mississauga on Sundays and holidays. At the races were many blacklegs and drunken vagabonds. Stopped at Howard's Hotel where coach started, monument of Brock rent from top to bottom.

De Vaux Guide, Buffalo, 1845—Brock was first interred at Fort George with a 24lb. American cannon captured at Detroit at his head. The monument on 17th April, 1840, partially destroyed, the circular stairs within were torn to pieces, stones thrown out of the wall and it was rent from top to bottom, a part fell in 1841.

W. H. Smith Gazetteer, 1848—"At Niagara the Gaol and Court House one mile southwest of the Town. A Harbor and Dock Co. employs from 150 to 350 hands. Vessels built here between 1832 and 1839, Steamboats, Traveller, Experiment, Queen, Gore. Schooners, Jesse Woods, Princess, Fanny, Toronto, Sovereign. Between 1839 and 1845, City of Toronto, Princess Royal, American, Chief Justice Robinson, Admiral, Eclipse, Minos, Emerald, London, Dart, Oak, Gem, Shamrock, Ann, Propellers Adventure, Beagle, Traveller. Schooners, Wm. Cayley, Shannon, Clyde, Shamrock, and eighteen barges. There are 3 physicians, 9 lawyers, 22 stores, 3 booksellers, 2 chemists, 4 bakers, U. Canada Bank. The best taverns are Moffatt's and Howard's. Five Churches. Engines and machinery of very perfect description, a marine railway for hauling up vessels of first class."