

These travel all Canada o'er ;  
They had on beast's tails with men's features,  
I ne'er saw their equal before.

I thought that it might be that devil  
That John in his visions did see ;  
I resolved in my heart to be civil,  
Least chance it might happen on me

I saw this Beast practice and prosper,  
I wonder'd, indeed, at the sight,  
To see such a monster usurper  
Destroying its victims outright.

I spoke to my august companion,  
Being griev'd by the monster I saw ;  
I ask'd his advice and opinion,  
His answer was serfdom and law.

He said it " had been o'er the ocean  
Some thousands of years or more,  
But now it had taken a notion  
To visit this Western Shore.

" It's a friend to all despots, in training  
Their serfs to submit to the yoke,  
And all that its rule are disdainig,  
Will surely soon meet with a stroke.

" So take my advice, and bend to it,  
'Twill give you a nod of its head ;