



GENERAL VIEW OF NIAGARA FALLS.

Between Lake Erie and Lake Ontario is a river distance of thirty-six miles and a fall of three hundred and thirty-six feet, which is made up as follows: To the Rapids above the Falls, fifteen feet; in the Rapids, fifty-five feet; over the Falls, one hundred and sixty-one feet; from the Falls to Lewiston, through the gorge, ninety-eight feet; from Lewiston to Lake Ontario, seven feet. The imaginary line of boundary between the United States and Canada is drawn through the centre of the Great Lakes and through the deepest channels of their connecting rivers. By this means over three-fourths of all the islands in the Niagara River, including all those upon the verge of the cataract, belong to the United States, and, as the deepest part of the river immediately above the Falls is in the heart of the Horseshoe Fall, America has the greater share of the famous cataract. Adjoining the cataract upon the American side is the city of Niagara Falls, New York State, with a resident population of fifteen thousand souls. A short distance down the gorge, at the terminus of the two railroad bridges, lies the American village of Suspension Bridge, corresponding to Clinton in Canada upon the other side of the gorge. Canada has no settlement of size upon its shore, the land being occupied by the International Park.