

should be in accepting second-hand information without verification.

The worked flints at Powell's Bay, like those met with at similar places lower down the lake, have been derived from the Trenton formation at the Chaudière. They are strewn along the river side of a long narrow rocky and sandy point that reaches down the river and shelters the mouth of a low marshy creek, which runs into the bay. This point, which is of Laurentian formation, is still a resort for trappers and fishermen.

The north shore of the Ottawa, at the entrance to Squaw Bay, is a bold outcrop of limestone which rises 15 or 20 feet perpendicularly from, and in places overhangs, the swift current of the river, a short distance below the Little Chaudière Rapids. The bay, which forms an indentation in this cliff of about 100 yards in width, extends northward, a distance of 800 feet, to the southern end of Mountain street, or the foot of the declivity which slopes downward from the Hull Electric Railway tracks. The banks of both sides of the bay are bold and rocky, but not so abrupt as the main shore-line of the river. From the upper end of the bay right out to the rocky point which forms its southern extremity, the western shore is strewn more or less, throughout its entire length, with fragments of worked flint, just as we meet with them at similar places on Lake Deschênes higher up the river.

So far, I have only made a casual examination of this camping site, for the purpose of ascertaining its extent and general features, rather than for the discovery of such details as might throw some light upon its origin and subsequent history.

To all appearance, it seems as if this spot had been a landing place at the foot of an old Indian carrying-path, which led up to the head of that break in the canoe route of the Ottawa River caused by the Little Chaudière Rapids.

There is no doubt that, in pre-historic times, there were periods of tribal inactivity, during which an Indian community may have lived in such peace and comparative security, at Squaw Bay, as to have led even its younger members to indulge in the contemplation of making old bones; but the situation of the dwelling sites of these palæolithic people bear indubitable evidence that no dream of lasting peace ever found them off their guard