

opened in Washington or New York. As I have already said, this is a season of international peace-offering and unifying forbearance between two of the greatest nations in the world, and the new international park at Quebec might be made a happily-conceived emblem of peace in its commemoration of the disasters of war."

This proposition should meet with the approval of all interested.

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November ye 1st. — Our Gun & Mortar Battery on this side was opened, consisting of four 12 Pounders & six Royals which together with the four Gun Battery on the East side kept up an incessant Fire on the Fort all Day, which did great Execution & knocked every Thing in the Fort to Shatters.—In the Evening General Montgomery sent a Flag to the Fort with a Letter to Major Preston by one of the Prisoners taken by Colonel Warner informing him of Carleton's Defeat & that he had now no longer Reason to flatter himself with Relief from that Quarter, & that therefore to prevent the further Effusion of Blood which a needless & obstinate Defence would cause, especially as we had