

substance of which has twice appeared in print.* The Loyalists who sailed in this fleet were divided into seventeen companies commanded respectively by Sylvanus Whitney, Joseph Goreham, Henry Thomas, John Forrester, Thomas Elms, John Cock, Joseph Clarke, James Hoyt, Christopher Benson, Joseph Forrester, Thomas Welch, Oliver Bourdet, Asher Dunham, Abiather Camp, Peter Berton, Richard Hill and Moses Pitcher. The names of nearly all of these are to be found among the original grantees of Parr Town.

The people embarked at various points, some at Huntington and other points on Long Island (where many of the Connecticut Loyalists had fled for refuge), others at Staten Island, and many at New York. In some instances embarkation had taken place as much as three weeks before the vessels sailed from Sandy Hook. The delay in sailing was caused by the difficulties attending the embarkation and the getting together of the fleet and providing a ship of war to act as escort or convoy.

Mrs. Frost in her journal only mentions the names of two vessels of the fleet, the ships "Two Sisters," Capt. Brown, in which sailed about 250 people, and the Bridgewater, Capt. Adnet. The names of all the vessels, however, appear in the following notice in an old New York newspaper:

"NOTICE TO REFUGEES.

The following Transports, viz: Two Sisters, Hopewell, Symetry, Generous Friends, Bridgewater, Thames, Amity's Production, Tartar, Duchess of Gordon, Littledale, William and Mary, and Free Briton . . . will certainly fall down on Monday morning; it will therefore be absolutely necessary for the people who are appointed to go in these companies to be all on board to-morrow evening.

New York, June 7th, 1783.

The number of Loyalists who came in the June fleet was in the neighborhood of 2,000 souls.

*See Appendix to Kingston and the Loyalists of 1783, by Rev. W. O. Raymond, and Ripples of the St. John River, by Mrs. W. W. Turnbull.