

by the name of *Carleton*, and that the principal town on the River St. John be called *Guy*. Surely no man has so effectually contributed to the settlement of that country as Sir Guy Carleton.

The name of Carleton was given to the town on the west side of St. John harbor in honor of Sir Guy—not, as is commonly supposed, in honor of Col. Thos. Carleton, the first Governor of the Province. Respecting the suggestion of Judge Upham, that the principal city of New Brunswick should bear the name of “Guy,” we can only be devoutly thankful that wiser counsels prevailed. It was at one time seriously proposed to call our good city of St. John “Clinton,” after Sir Henry Clinton, the former commander-in-chief of the forces in America.

When Nova Scotia was about to be divided there was some speculation and many suggestions with respect to the name that should be given the new province. Col. Edward Fanning (afterwards Governor of Prince Edward Island) wrote to Lord Sidney suggesting that it should be called “Pittsylvania,” in honor of Lord Chatham, whose character he and all other Loyalists regarded with enthusiasm. Quite early in the year 1784 the British government had practically decided on the division of Nova Scotia, and it was understood the name of the province to be created should be “New Ireland;” but some political complications caused the matter to be delayed, and when Governor Thomas Carleton came out in the autumn, it had been agreed that the name should be New Brunswick.

4.—OLD NAMES THAT ARE DISUSED.

The province was divided into counties and parishes shortly after the arrival of Governor Carleton, and in some instances old historic names were supplanted by new ones. In certain localities the old name persisted for years, and only gradually gave place to the new. This was the case at Fredericton, where the old name of St. Ann was common until after the removal thither of the seat of government in 1787. At Woodstock the old Indian name *Meductic* was at first employed by the people to designate their settlement. Within the last few years it has been revived as the name of a flourishing village at the mouth of Eel River. Other names, once familiar, have disappeared from the map altogether, and few to-day know the location of Aukpaque, Freneuse and Cleoncore, or of New Warrington, Amesbury, Conway and Morrisania. Respecting these, and other equally interesting names, there is a mine of information in Dr. W. F. Ganong’s “Place Nomenclature of New Brunswick.”