

shown by a resolution adopted at a general meeting held May 1st, 1815, when it was decided "that the silver medals received from Lieut.-Gov. Gore be reserved for non-commissioned officers, and to order 500 bronze medals of uniform size for privates, and that 50 gold medals be ordered for the present for general and field officers, of the value of three guineas each, also 12 gold medals of the value of five guineas each."

It would appear from this resolution, that a second die had been ordered, as it is quite evident that a gold medal  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inches in diameter could not be procured for 3 or even 5 guineas. I have not been able to procure any particulars respecting the gold medals, nor of the lot first received, and subsequently rejected, by the Society. If any person can furnish information on these points, I shall feel greatly obliged. The bronze and silver medals are but seldom met with, and the existence of the medal was unknown to a majority of collectors, until a recent date, when a specimen was sold in New York for a very large amount.

I learn that a number of these medals are still to be found in possession of persons residing on the Niagara frontier, and in other parts of Ontario, and that they are looked upon with great reverence, nothing short of actual want being likely to induce their owners to part with these records of their ancestors' loyalty and courage.

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"There is nothing so obscure of which time may not reveal some use; there is nothing so insignificant or so trifling, that may not ultimately prove of paramount importance."

"Here's Nestor,—

Instructed in the antiquary times;

He must, he is, he cannot but be wise."—*Shakspeare*.