

Mrs. Highbury grew sober and began to wipe her eyes.

"You don't mean Roxy Adams?"

"Yes, I do."

Mrs. Highbury shut her pretty mouth tight. She didn't know whether she approved or disapproved of Roxy Adams. How could she tell what she thought until she heard Mr. Highbury's opinion. For Mrs. Highbury's role was that of echo. It might be that Roxy Adams would make a good Presbyterian. It might be that she would corrupt the church. She would wait until her husband spoke. Then she would give him back his own opinions with emphasis, and tell her friends that she had "told Mr. Highbury so." People were certain that the little Mrs. H. had great influence with the big Mr. H. Turned him round her little finger.

(To be continued.)

FRAGMENTS OF THE WAR OF 1812.

LOYALTY AND DISLOYALTY—TREASON—DESERTION—THE JOHNSONS—
COLONEL WILLIAM JOHNSON—JAMES JOHNSON AND HIS SONS—
"BILL" JOHNSON—ANDREW JOHNSON—THOMAS S. WOOD—LOCK-
WOOD.

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WE have in a former paper spoken of the want of loyalty and disaffection which, to a certain extent, existed in Canada at the outbreak of the war. Of this Gen. Brock was well aware. He knew also that there were some weak-hearted ones who believed that it would be impossible to resist the invading foe. His stirring speech at the opening of the legislature in the beginning of Feb. 1812 was intended to counteract these adverse influences, and in a great measure it had that effect. In a letter to Col. Boynes, the Adj.-General, dated 12th Feb., he says: "The assurance which I gave, in my speech, of England co-operating in the defence of this Province, has infused the utmost confidence; and I have reason at this moment to look for the acquiescence of the two houses to every measure I may think necessary to recommend for the peace and defence of the country. A spirit has manifested itself, little expected by those who conceived themselves the best qualified to judge of the disposition of the members of the House of Assembly. The most powerful opponents to Governor Gore's administration take the lead on the present occasion. I, of course, do not think it expedient to damp the ardour displayed by these once doubtful characters. Some opposed Mr. Gore evidently from personal motives, but never forfeited the right of being numbered among the most loyal. Their character will very soon be put to a severe test. The measures which I intend to propose are: 1 A Militia Supplementary Act: 2 The suspension of the Habeas Corpus: 3 An Alien Law: 4 The offer of a reward for the better apprehension of deserters. If I succeed in all this, I shall claim some proviso, but I am not without my fears." Again, we find in a letter to Sir George Prevost written not long after, "I had