

desire. in consequence of an act of Parliament which has long been passed but only lately put in force, no Tea can be brought into the Province from the States. this has raised the price of it very much and it is charged me, (that is Single) $5\frac{1}{4}$ Hf^x lbs. in Montreal which is more than it used to be sold for here last Spring, by retail. Thirty thousand chests are said to be consumed annually in the Provinces most of which comes through the States, therefore if smuggling can be prevented it will save [a] great deal of money in the Country which goes out every year for that article. The East India Company in consequence of this law being put in force have given permission to the N.W.C^o to send a Vessel to the East Indian loaded with furs and to bring home Tea and other E. I. goods, Sugers are much lower this year than they were last. Muscovado, is 40/Cw^t and loaf 1/ Hf^x lbs all other goods are very low for Cash. the scarcity of money is so great that bills are at 20 p^r C^t discount.

Before this you have no doubt heard that Lieut. Governor Gore had got leave to go Home, and that he and his family had left York, as also that General Brock⁸² succeeds him in the Administration of the Government as President. I am told the Gover^r and his Lady seemed to regret going, particularly the latter who went the day before the[y] left York to see all those she was acquainted with, and was much affected at parting with them & when she embarked cried like a child. probably they thought as many do here, that they would never return to the Country again. General Brock is much liked here and will be so wherever he is known. he came over on Saturday last and yesterday held a Levee at which I with a number of others attended. I inclose you the address presented him by the magistrates & Inhabitants of this District & his answer. to day he

82. Sir Isaac Brock was born on the Island of Guernsey, Oct. 6, 1769. He purchased a commission in the Eighth Regiment in 1785, and in 1797 became lieutenant colonel of the Forty-ninth Regiment, with which he was sent to Canada in 1802. He became colonel in 1805, and major general in 1811. Upon Governor Gore's return to England in the latter year, Brock was entrusted with the civil administration of Upper Canada, thereby uniting the civil and the military administrations upon the eve of war with the United States. His administration of its affairs in the opening months of the war won him the undying affection of the Canadian people. He was killed during the Battle of Queenston, Oct. 13, 1813. An imposing monument now adorns the brow of the hill, a short distance from the spot where he fell. See Wallace, *op. cit.*