Recently Received Titles


On each occasion that the British colonies in North America were threatened by a military conflict, the Natives residing in the Province of Québec, and from 1791, Lower Canada, defended the interests of the Crown. Their support of the British cause during the War of 1812, the last North American conflict in which the native peoples participated as allies of Britain, was, on occasion, decisive.

In Des braves et des guerriers, Jean-Pierre Sawaya delivers a comprehensive history of this conflict from the native perspective, based on Canadian and American archival holdings. Unique in its detailed content, the author presents many interesting perspectives of the often overlooked yet crucial role of the participation of Aboriginal people in Quebec War of 1812.

A contrived telling of the British attack on Wareham, Massachusetts by HMS *Nimrod* on 13 June 1814, during which the town was wrecked, 12 commercial vessels destroyed and a shipyard set afire, while the British force escaped unscathed.
Michael T. Lucas and Julie M. Schablitsky, eds. *Archaeology and the War of 1812*. Walnut Creek, CA: Left Wing Press, 2014. 337 pages, maps, tables, illustrations, index. Cloth, $79.00 US.

A collection of 15 essays by American and Canadian archaeologists that highlight recent archaeological studies at Fort York, Toronto; Plattsburgh, NY; Nottingham, MD; the Chesapeake Bay, Bladensburg MD; the Battle of the White House (Potomac), Cauk’s Field, MD; Fort McHenry, MD; Credit Island, Forts Osage and Sibley’s Fort, MO; Point Peter, GA; and New Orleans, including an historical introduction providing a brief overview of the War of 1812 and context for the sites examined in each chapter.


Published to coincide with the bicentenary of the penning of the poem that eventually became the American national anthem, this detailed study examines the story of the means by which the “Star Spangled Banner” rose to national prominence and of the changing rituals surrounding its performance.

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