War Claims Index Summary

For the War of 1812 Settlers in Niagara-on-the-Lake, Niagara Township and East Grantham Township including Queenston, St. David's, Virgil and McNab/Homer

| Location | Abbrev. | Claims | Houses | Houses / Claims | Claims with Other Bldgs. | Other Bldgs. / Claims |
|------------------|---------|--------|--------|-----------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| | | | | | | |
| NOTL | N | 54 | 57 | 106% | 28 | 52% |
| NOTL (probable) | [N] | 39 | 13 | 33% | 10 | 26% |
| St. David's | D | 38 | 16 | 42% | 8 | 21% |
| Queenston | Q | 25 | 20 | 80% | 12 | 48% |
| Virgil | V | 10 | 1 | 10% | 1 | 10% |
| Niagara Township | Т | 74 | 17 | 23% | 12 | 16% |
| East Grantham | G | 50 | 1 | 2% | 11 | 22% |
| Unknown | n/a | 19 | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| Total | All | 309 | 125 | 40% | 82 | 27% |

Assumptions and/or Conclusions:

NOTL and Queenston were probably the most severely devastated by fire and damage;

St. David's village centre probably accounts for most of the devastated houses there;

We may yet have to identify another 23% of devastated houses in NOTL (i.e., [57+13]/57]);

Some people (e.g., servants) may have lived in barns and other outhouses;

Some people may have left the area after the devastation and not claimed;

Warehouses, etc. were particularly devastated in NOTL and Queenston;

The data herewith is taken solely from the war claims texts and lot ownership maps;

Note: Claim may be for more than one house, or other building.

Source:

War of 1812 Claims, Microfilms, Niagara-on-the-Lake Public Library

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