

ROCKFORT

Rockfort, where the Long Mountain comes down almost sheer into the harbor, was the natural point which to block the eastern approaches to Kingston, and some kind of fortification was put up there as early as 1694. The present fort is believed to date from 1729. Previously, the main road into Kingston ran through the gateway of the Fort. The only original building now standing is the magazine just to the west of the 'captain's house' the latter has been destroyed but its foundations are visible just to the north of the present house. Also visible are the foundations of the soldiers' kitchen and storehouses and of the barracks for 200 men. Rock fort's walls were once washed by the water of the harbour.

