

Major Addison, my military secretary, will have the honour of delivering this dispatch. He has been with me during the whole of these operations, and is well enabled to afford your Lordship any further information you may require. I have entrusted the colours and standard taken from the enemy to Major Addison, who will receive your Lordship's commands respecting the further disposal of them, and I take the liberty of recommending him as a deserving officer to your Lordship's protection.

I have, &c.
(Signed) J. C. SHERBROOKE.

N. B. The returns of killed, wounded, and missing, and of artillery and ordnance stores taken, are inclosed.

Sept. 13.

P. S. The Martin sloop of war, which Rear-Admiral Griffith is about to send to England, having been delayed, affords me an opportunity of informing your Lordship, that I have received a private communication from Lieutenant-Colonel Pilkington, acquainting me that he had landed at some distance from Macchias on the evening of the 10th instant, and after a very difficult night march, that he had taken possession of the fort, without loss, early the next morning.

Twenty-four pieces of cannon, of different calibres, fell into our hands on this occasion, more than half of which the enemy had rendered unserviceable.

Brigadier-General Brewer, who commanded the militia in this district, and some other respectable persons, had sent a letter addressed to Lieutenant-Pilkington and Captain Parker, of which the enclosed, No. 4, is a copy, and the next day was appointed to receive these gentlemen, for the purpose of accepting the terms therein offered. Lieutenant-Colonel Pilkington says, that as soon as this is done he shall transmit me his official report, which I will forward to your Lordship by the first opportunity. The Lieutenant-Colonel further mentions the great assistance he received from Capt. Parker, of the Royal Navy, and the naval forces employed under him; and says, that the conduct of the troops is deserving of great praise.

I have great pleasure in congratulating your Lordship upon the whole of the country between Penobscot River and Passamaquaddy Bay being now in our possession.

(Signed) J. C. SHERBROOKE.

(Inclosure No. 1.)

Bangor, on the Penobscot River,
September 3, 1814.

SIR,

IN compliance with your Excellency's orders of the 1st instant, I sailed from Castine with the detachment of royal artillery, the flank companies of the 29th, 62d, and 98th regiments, and one rifle company of the 7th battalion 60th regiment, which composed the force your Excellency did me the honour to place under my command, for the purpose of co-operating with Captain Barrie, of the royal navy, in an expedition up this river.

On the morning of the 2d, having proceeded

above the town of Frankfort; we discovered some of the enemy on their march towards Hamden, by the eastern shore, which induced me to order Brevet Major Crosdale, with a detachment of the 98th, and some riflemen of the 60th regiment, under Lieutenant Wallace, to land and intercept them, which was accomplished, and that detachment of the enemy (as I have since learned) were prevented from joining the main body assembled at Hamden. On this occasion the enemy had one man killed, and some wounded. Major Crosdale re-embarked without any loss. We arrived off Bald Head Cove, three miles distant from Hamden, about five o'clock that evening, when Captain Barrie agreed with me in determining to land the troops immediately. Having discovered that the enemy's picquets were advantageously posted on the north side of the Cove, I directed Brevet Major Riddle, with the grenadiers of the 62d, and Captain Ward, with the rifle company of the 60th, to dislodge them, and take up that ground, which duty was performed under Major Riddle's directions, in a most complete and satisfactory manner, by about seven o'clock; and before ten at night, the whole of the troops, including eighty marines under Captain Carter, (whom Captain Barrie had done me the honour to attach to my command,) were landed and bivouacked for the night, during which it rained incessantly. We got under arms at five o'clock this morning, the rifle company forming the advance under Captain Ward; Brevet-Major Keith with the light company of the 62d, bringing up the rear, and the detachment of marines under Captain Carter moving upon my flanks, while Captain Barrie, with the ships and gun-boats under his command, advanced at the same time up the river; on my right, towards Hamden. In addition to the detachment of royal artillery under Lieutenant Garston, Captain Barrie had landed one six-pounder, a six and half-inch howitzer, and a rocket apparatus, with a detachment of sailors under Lieutenants Symonds, Botely and Slade, and Mr. Sparling, master of His Majesty's ship Bulwark.

The fog was so thick, it was impossible to form a correct idea of the features of the country, or to reconnoitre the enemy, whose number were reported to be fourteen-hundred, under the command of Brigadier-General Blake. Between seven and eight o'clock, our skirmishers in advance were so sharply engaged with the enemy, as to induce me to send forward one half of the light company of the 29th regiment, under Captain Coaker, for their support. The column had not advanced much further, before I discovered the enemy drawn out in line, occupying a very strong and advantageous position in front of the town of Hamden, his left flanked by a high hill commanding the road and river, on which were mounted several heavy pieces of cannon; his right extending considerably beyond our left, resting upon a strong point d'appui, with an eighteen pounder and some light field pieces in advance of his centre, so pointed as completely to rake the road, and a narrow bridge at the foot of a hill, by which we were obliged to advance upon his position. As soon as he perceived our column approaching he opened a very heavy and continued fire of grape and musquetry upon us; we however soon crossed the bridge, deployed, and charged up