

the hill to get possession of his guns, one of which we found had already fallen into the hands of Captain Ward's riflemen in advance. The enemy's fire now began to slacken, and we pushed on rapidly, and succeeded in driving him at all points from his position; while Captain Coaker, with the light company of the 29th, had gained possession of the hill on his left, from whence it was discovered that the Adams frigate was on fire, and that the enemy had deserted the battery which defended her.

We were now in complete possession of the enemy's position above, and Captain Barrie with the gun-boats had secured that below the hill. Upon this occasion twenty pieces of cannon fell into our hands, of the naval and military force, the return of which I enclose; after which Captain Barrie and myself determined on pursuing the enemy towards Bangor, which place we reached without opposition; and here two brass three-pounders, and three stand of colours, fell into our possession. Brigadier-General Blake, also in this town, surrendered himself prisoner, and with other prisoners, to the amount of one hundred and twenty-one, were admitted to their parols. Eighty prisoners taken at Hamden are in our custody. The loss sustained by the enemy I have not had it in my power correctly to ascertain; report states it to be from thirty to forty in killed, wounded, and missing.

Our own loss, I am happy to add, is but small, viz. one rank and file killed; one captain, seven rank and file, wounded; one rank and file missing. Captain Gell, of the 29th, was wounded when leading the column, which deprived me of his active and useful assistance; but, I am happy to add, he is recovering.

I cannot close this dispatch without mentioning in the highest terms all the troops placed under my command. They have merited my highest praise for their zeal and gallantry, which were conspicuous in the extreme. I feel most particularly indebted to Brevet-Major Riddle, of the 62d regiment, second in command; to Brevet-Major Keith, of the same regiment; Brevet-Major Croasdale and Captain M'Pherson, of the 98th; Captains Gell and Coaker, of the 29th; and Captain Ward, of the 7th battalion, 60th regiment. The royal artillery was directed in the most judicious manner by Lieutenant Garston, from whom I derived the ablest support. I cannot speak too highly of Captain Carter and the officers and marines under his directions. He moved them in the ablest manner to the annoyance of the enemy, and so as to meet my fullest approval.

Nothing could exceed the zeal and perseverance of Lieutenants Symonds, Botely, and Slade, and Mr. Sparling, of the royal navy, with the detachment of seamen under their command.

From Captain Barrie I have received the ablest assistance and support, and it is to his masterly arrangement of the plan that I feel indebted for its success. Nothing could be more cordial than the co-operation of the naval and military forces on this service in every instance.

Captain Carnegie, of the royal navy, who most handsomely volunteered his services with this expedition, was in action with the troops at Hamden,

and I feel most particularly indebted to him for his exertions and the assistance he afforded me on this occasion.

I am also greatly indebted to Lieutenant Du Chatelet, of the 7th battalion 60th regiment, who acted as Major of Brigade to the troops, in which capacity he rendered me very essential service.

I have, &c.

(Signed) HENRY JOHN, Lieut. Col.

(Inclosure No. 2.)

Return of Ordnance and Stores taken.

Castine, September 10, 1814.

Guns.

4 iron twenty-four-pounders, 27 iron (ship) eighteen-pounders, 4 twelve-pounders, 4 brass three-pounders.

Carriages.

4 traversing twenty-four-pounders, 8 standing eighteen-pounders, 2 travelling twelve-pounders with limbers, 4 travelling three-pounders with limbers.

Sponges.

8 twenty-four-pounders, 20 eighteen-pounders, 2 twelve-pounders, 4 three-pounders.

Ladles.

2 twenty-four-pounders, 3 twelve-pounders, 1 three-pounder.

Wadhooks.

2 twenty-four-pounders, 3 twelve-pounders, 1 three-pounder.

Shot.

236 round twenty-four-pounders, 500 round eighteen-pounders.

1 ammunition waggon, 1 ammunition cart.

12 common handspikes.

40 barrels of powder.

Wads.

20 twenty-four-pounders, 70 eighteen-pounders.

N. B. The magazine in Fort Castine was blown up by the enemy.

The vessel, on board of which the powder was, ran on shore, and the whole destroyed.

Eleven of the eighteen-pounders were destroyed by order of Lieutenant-Colonel John, not having time to bring them off.

(Signed) GEO. CRAWFORD, Major,
Cong. Royal Artillery.

To Lieut. Gen. Sir John C. Sherbrooke.

(Inclosure No. 3.)

Return of Killed, Wounded, and Missing, in the Affair at Hamden, on the 3d September 1814, with the Force under the Command of Lieutenant-Colonel John, 60th Regiment.

Killed.

29th Regiment—1 rank and file.

Wounded.

29th Regiment—1 captain, 2 rank and file.

62d Regiment—1 rank and file.

98th Regiment—4 rank and file.