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**Order Book**  
OF  
CAPT. LEONARD BLEEKER,  
*MAJOR OF BRIGADE*  
IN THE EARLY PART OF THE  
**EXPEDITION UNDER GEN. JAMES CLINTON,**  
AGAINST THE  
*Indian Settlements of Western New York,*  
IN THE  
CAMPAIGN OF 1779.



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INTRODUCTION

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## INTRODUCTION.

**T**HE Atrocities perpetrated by the Indian Tribes of Western New York, upon the Frontiers of New York and Pennsylvania, and especially the Massacres of Cherry Valley and Wyoming, in 1778, led to a Determination upon an Invasion of the Indian Country, and the utter Devastation and Ruin of their Villages and Improvements, with the View of disabling them from further Hostilities, and of compelling them to sue for Peace, by forcing them to experience in its full Severity, the Miseries of War.

These energetic Measures, although attended with Circumstances of present Hardship and Suffering, were dictated by an enlightened Humanity, and the Result justified the Wisdom and Benevolence

lence of the Enterprife. Although Instances of individual Murders by lurking Savages, and their more brutal Allies the Tories, afterwards occurred, and Expeditions for Purposes of Plunder and Destruction were sent out by the Enemy, there were no more wanton and general Maffacres upon our Frontiers.

The Commander-in-Chief having determined upon the Expedition, first offered its Command to Gen. Gates, who declined the Service, in Terms which Gen. Washington considered rude and discourteous.<sup>1</sup> The Expedition was finally entrusted to Maj. Gen. John Sullivan, and was made to consist of the Brigades of Generals Clinton, Maxwell, Poor, and Hand, with a Detachment of Troops from Ulster County, under Col. Pawling. Gen. Clinton was directed to pass up the Mohawk, to Canajoharie, and from thence transport his Boats and Supplies by Land to Otsego Lake, from whence, upon receiving Orders, he was to descend the Susquehannah, and form a Junction with the Main Army under Gen. Sullivan, at Tioga Point, and proceed with him up the Chemung River into the Indian Country.

General

<sup>1</sup> Sparks's *Life and Writings of Washington*.



Gen. Sullivan, marched with three Brigades from Easton to Wyoming, and from thence, after a long and most harrassing Delay, attributed by him to the Dishonesty of Contractors and other Causes, he marched on the last Day of July, with very inadequate Supplies, and these of inferior Quality. And on the 11th of August, reached Tioga Point. A Detachment was sent forward to Chemung, twelve Miles distant, the next Day, who dispersed a Body of Indians, with the Loss of seven of their Number, burned a Village and returned to the Army. In a Bend of the River, he erected a defensive Work called Fort Sullivan, and awaited Gen. Clinton, who arrived on the 22d of that Month.

Gen. James Clinton, was at the Time when the Expedition was planned, in Command of the Northern Department, and stationed at Albany. The Brigade under his Command, in the Service assigned him in this Expedition, was made up of Detachments of the Third, Fourth, and Fifth New York, Fourth Pennsylvania, and Sixth Massachusetts Continental Battalions, with a Company of Artillery and of Riflemen, consisting in all of about fifteen hundred Men.

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By Resolutions of Congress, passed in February, 1779, a Plan for the Department of Inspector General was established, in which it was provided that an Officer of the Line, should be detailed from each Brigade, to perform Duties analogous to those of Assistant Adjutant General as now defined. The Office thus created, was that of Major of Brigade, and Capt. Leonard Bleeker of Col. Gansevoort's Regiment (Third New York Line), was selected by Gen. Clinton for this Duty.

The General Order Book which Capt. Bleeker was required to keep, in the Discharge of his Duties in this Office, forms the Text of this Volume. It contains the Orders and Details which related to this Branch of the Expedition, during the earlier Part of its Progress. It ends abruptly on the 23d of August, soon after the Junction of Gen. Clinton with the main Army under Gen. Sullivan. On that date, Maj. Nicholas Fish succeeded Capt. Bleeker, in the Office of Major of Brigade, and the Record passed into another Hand and another Book.

The Volume, therefore, contains Nothing relative to the Battle of Newtown, which was fought on the 29th of August, or of the subsequent Operations of the Army, as it lingered five Weeks in the  
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Enemy's Country, ravaging and destroying every Vestige of Property or Provisions that could be found.

In all, eighteen Villages, one hundred and sixty thousand Bushels of Corn, and immense Quantities of Beans and other Provisions were destroyed. The Army returned to Easton, Pa., with a loss of only about forty Men.

The Result of this Expedition, was highly satisfactory, and on the 14th of October, 1779, Congress passed the following Resolutions:

*Resolved*, That the Thanks of Congress be given to His Excellency General Washington, for directing, and to Major General Sullivan and the brave Officers and Soldiers under his Command, for effectually executing an important Expedition against such of the Indian Nations, as encouraged by the Councils and conducted by the Officers of His Britannic Majesty, had perfidiously waged an unprovoked and cruel War against these United States, laid waste many of their defenceless Towns, and with savage Barbarity slaughtered the Inhabitants thereof.

*Resolved*, That it will be proper to set apart the  
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second Thursday in December next, as a day of General Thanksgiving in these United States, and that a Committee be appointed to prepare a Recommendation to the said States for this Purpose.”

This Volume will be found chiefly interesting as a Contribution to the Local History of the Mohawk Valley and Otsego County, and as a Record of Army Regulations and Usages in the Revolutionary War. It will correct or confirm the local Traditions relative to the Progress of the Army, and the Incidents which attended its Movements. As a Record of the Practice of military Camps, its Value will be recognized by every Student of the History of Tactics, and of the progressive Development of the Science of Arms. A Knowledge of these Details is essential to a full Understanding of History. Thus, by its reflecting Light upon the Subject, rather than as History itself, may this Volume be claimed as a Contribution to our American Annals, and as a further Illustration of the Revolutionary Period.

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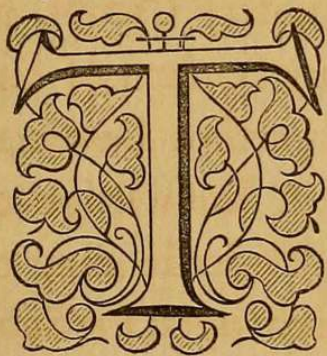


# ORDER BOOK.

*In Congress, Feb<sup>y</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> 1779.*

PLAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF INSPECTOR  
GENERAL.<sup>1</sup>

*Resolved:*



HAT there be an Inspector Gen<sup>l</sup> to the Armies of the United States, with the Rank of Major Gen<sup>l</sup>, who in all future Appointments, shall be taken from the Line of Major Generals.

That the Duty of the Inspector Gen<sup>l</sup> shall principally consist in forming a System of Regulations for the Exercise of the Troops in the Manuel Evolutions and Manœuvres, for the Service of Guards and Detachments and for Camps and Garrison Duty.

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<sup>1</sup> The Committee that reported this Plan for the Department of Inspector General, consisted of Mr. M. Smith, Mr. Ellery, Mr. Ellsworth, Mr. Paca, and Mr. T. Adams. The first Incumbent of the Office of Inspector General was the Baron Steuben.

That the Inspector Gen<sup>l</sup> and his Assistants, shall exercise the Troops at such Times and Places, and receive such Returns for that Purpose as the Commander-in-Chief, or Commanding Officer in a Department shall Direct; at which Reviews, he or they shall inspect the Number and Condition of the Men, their Discipline and Exercise, and the State of their Arms, Accoutrements, and Clothing; observing what of these Articles have been lost or spoiled since last Review, and as near as possible by what Means; reporting the Same; with the Difference and Neglect to the Commander-in-Chief, or the Commanding Officer of a Department, or to the Board of War.

That all new Manœuvres shall be introduced by the Inspector General, and all old Ones performed according to the established Principals under his Superintendency; but he shall not introduce or practice any Regulations relative to the Objects of his Department, save such as are made and established in the Manner following: All Regulations whatsoever to be finally approved and established by Congress. But the Exigence of the Service requiring it, temporary Ones may from Time to Time be introduced by the Inspector Gen<sup>l</sup>, with the Approbation of the Commander-in-Chief. These Regulations to be communicated to the Army through the Adj<sup>t</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup>, and to be transmitted to the Board of War with all convenient Dispatch, that being examined and reported by them to Congress,

Congress, they may be rejected, altered, amended, or confirm'd, as Congress shall deem proper.

That there be as many Sub-Inspectors, as the Commander-in-Chief, or commanding in a Department, shall, on Consideration of the Strength and Situation of the Army, from Time to Time, deem necessary; to be taken from the Line of Lieut Colonels, and to receive their Instruction relative to the Department from the Inspector Gen<sup>l</sup>.

That there be one Brigade Inspector to each Brigade, who shall be one the Majors of the Brigade, and that the Office of Brigade Inspector, shall in future be annexed to that of Major of Brigade. He shall accordingly keep a Roster of the Battalions of his Brigade, regulate the Details, and take care of the Formation and March of the Guards, Detachment, &c., from the Brigade; he is to receive the Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders, and communicate them to the Commanding Officer of the Brigade and Regiments, and through the Adjutants, to all the Officers of Brigade. He is as far as concerns his Brigade, to Inspect the Police of the Camp, the Description and Order of the Service. In Time of Action, he is to assist in executing the necessary Manœuvres of the Brigade, according to the Orders of the Brigadier or the Officer commanding; he is to do no Duty in the Line.

That all the Officers of Inspectorship, having Appointments in the Line, shall retain their Right  
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of Command, Succession, and Promotion, in the same Manner as if they had not assumed the Office. But as the Duties of this Department are sufficient to employ their whole Time, they are to suspend the Exercise of their respective Commands, except on particular Occasions, when the Commander-in-Chief, or the Commanding Officer in a Department may deem it necessary to invest them with Command, they are to be exempted from all common Camp and Garrison Duty, that they may attend more carefully of those of the Inspection, and in time of Action, they are to be employ'd in the Execution of Field Manœuvres.

That the Inspector Gen<sup>l</sup>, so far as it relates to the Inspection of the Army, be subject to the Orders of Congress, the Board of War, and the Commander-in-Chief; but the Sub-Inspector shall also be subject to the Officers commanding Divisions, and Brigades to which they are attached, on the Principles herein established.

That there shall be allowed to the Inspector Gen<sup>l</sup>, in consideration of the extraordinary Expence which attend the Execution of his Office, 84 Dollars per Month, in addition of the Pay and Rations of a Maj<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> heretofore provided.

Extract from the Minutes.

CHARLES THOMSON, *Sec<sup>y</sup>*

The Honorable, the Congress, having been pleased by a Resolve of the 29<sup>th</sup> of March last, to establish



establish a System of Regulations for the Order and Discipline of the Troops of the United States. The Commander-in-Chief flatters himself that all Officers impressed with Importance of a Regular System of Manœuvres and Discipline, will zealously employ themselves to become thoroughly acquainted with these Regulations, and with all possible Punctuality and Dispatch, to put them in Practice within the Limits of their respective Commands. To forward this desirable Purpose the Inspector Gen<sup>l</sup> will immediately, enter upon the Exercise of his Office as established by Congress, and the Gen<sup>l</sup> relying upon his Zeal and Intelligence, of which he has already given Proofs, and the laudable Spirit of Emulation which prevails throughout the Army doubts not, that we shall with Success equal to our warmest Wishes.

The Inspector Gen<sup>l</sup> will take Care that Copies of the Regulations are distributed to all the Regiments, one for each Officer (if possible), who is to be Answerable for the Copy he receives, and in Case of his quitting the Regiment, is to Deliver it up to the commanding Officer. He will also give the necessary Instructions to the Sub-Inspectors and Majors of Brigades, relative to the Duties they are to perform. He will see that an uniform Formation take Place forthwith in the several Regiments; and whenever he perceive a Regiments so reduced as not to be able to turn out under Arms, the Number prescribed for forming a Ba<sup>ln</sup>, he is to  
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report the same to the Commander-in-Chief, that the necessary Arrangement may be made accordingly. For the Present, the B<sup>als</sup> are to be divided into eight Companys, from which the Company of Light Infantry will hereafter be drawn.

He will visit by Turns the different Regiments at the Hours of Exercise, and see that everything is conducted in strict Conformity to the Regulations. He will at all Times pay particular Attention, that the Service of the Guards be performed with the greatest Exactness. He must as speedily as possible, review, himself, or cause to be review'd by his Sub-Inspectors, the several Regiments on the Ground, in which Review he will cause the following Returns to be made, viz:

1<sup>st</sup>. The Number of Officers non-commissioned and Men present, and those that are absent, with Place where, and on what Account they are Absent, together with the Number of Officers and Men wanting to compleat the Arrangement of March, 1778.

2<sup>ndly</sup>. The Number and Condition of the Arms, Ammunition, and Accoutrements.

3<sup>dly</sup>. The State of the Mens Clothing and Necessaries, the Qualification of the non-commissioned Officers, particularly the One who is proposed for the first Serjeant of the Company, to be particularly examin'd.

The Sub-Inspectors are to consider themselves at all Times, subject to the Orders of the commanding

manding Officers of Divisions, to which they are respectively attached. They are to receive their Instructions from the Inspector Gen<sup>l</sup>, and are to see that the new Regulations are carried strictly into Execution.

They will take the Gen<sup>l</sup> Order daily from the Adj<sup>t</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup>, and communicate them their Major Gen<sup>l</sup> or Officer commanding the Division. They are also to receive all Division Orders, and communicate them to the Major of Brigade, where the Division to which they belong is Detached, they are to perform the Duties of Adj<sup>t</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup>, regulating the Details, on a March they remain with the Gen<sup>l</sup> commanding, and assist in the execution of Manœuvres he may direct. In Camp or Garrison, they are to see the established Duties thereof regularly performed, &c., and are particularly to attend to the Formation, and above all the Service of the Guards.

The Communication of Orders being of the greatest Importance in an Army, the Sub-Inspectors are to take care that all the Orders are communicated with the greatest Precision and Despatch, and must therefore see that all Majors of Brigades themselves takes the Orders regularly from the Adj<sup>t</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup>. And in case a Major of Brigade by Sickness or other Cause, is rendered unfit to take the Orders, that duty must be performed by some other Major of the Brigade, or the eldest Captain.

The Sub-Inspectors are also to see that the  
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Majors of Brigade keep their Rosters and Details in exact Orders; that no Regiment may furnish more than its Proportion for the Service.

In Camp the Sub-Inspector will have daily two Orderly Serjeants from their Divisions, to carry Orders, and where in Detachment, if the Officer commanding has Cavallery with him, he will assign as many Horsemen as he thinks necessary for the same Duty.

The great Importance of the Duties of Majors of Brigades, rendering it Necessary that those Posts should at all Times be filled up with old experienced Officers, the Honorable, the Continental Congress did on the 18th Feby last resolve that the Majors of Brigade should be chosen by the Commander-in-Chief from among the Majors of Line, and that the Duties of Brigade Inspector should also be annexed to that Office.

They are to consider themselves at all Times under the Orders of the Officers commanding the Brigade to which they are respectively attached, and are to receive their Instructions relative to the Department, from the Inspector General or Sub-Inspector of Divisions.

They are to remain in all Occasions with their Brigades, either on a March, in Camp, or in Quarters, and not with their Brigadier, as was formerly practiced.

They are to keep the Details of their respective Brigades, and see that everything prescribed in the

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new Regulations is carried into Execution with the greatest Exactness.

They are to be present in the Formation of all Guards and Detachment sent from their Brigade, to see that they are formed agreeable to the Rules established.

They are to receive the General Orders from the Adjutant Gen<sup>l</sup> and those of the Division, from the Sub-Inspector, both which they are to communicate to the Brigadier General, and having added those he may issue to the Brigade, communicate the whole, through the Adjutants, to the several Regiments in their respective Brigades. They must pay particular Attention that all Orders are distributed with the greatest Exactness and Dispatch, and if from Sickness or any other Causes a Major of Brigade is prevented from attending for Orders, he must cause the Brigade Gen<sup>l</sup> to be informed thereof, that another Major or the eldest Captain may be ordered to perform that Duty. In Camp, the Majors of Brigade will have an Orderly Serj<sup>t</sup> from their Brigades to communicate their Orders. If any Extraordinary Orders should issue, the Adjutant General will send a Copy to the nearest Brigade Major, noting in the Order the Hour he sent it, and the Course it is to take. The Major of Brigade, who receives it, having taken a Copy, will immediately dispatch it to the next Brigade, first noting the Hour he received it, and sent it forward, and signing his Name, and so throughout the different Brigades as noted in the Order. The last Brigade Major returning it immediately

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mediately to the Adjutant Gen<sup>l</sup>. Those Orders are to be immediately communicated to the commanding Officers of Brigades and Regiments in the same Manner as the Daily Orders, and by one of the Brigade Majors in turn to the Sub-Inspector, who will communicate it immediately to the Gen<sup>l</sup> commanding the Division.

Whenever a Major of Brigade leave his Brigade, either to go for Orders or for any other Purpose, he must leave an Adjutant of the Brigade to perform his Duty, in case any Orders should come during his Absence.

The Majors of Brigade must every Day regulate their Watches by that of Adjutant Gen<sup>l</sup>, that the Different Beats may begin and the Guard turned out at the same Minute.

A Brigade Major of the Day, will attend the Formation of all Guards and Detachments in Camp. In Action the Major of Brigade will assist the Commanding Officer of the Brigade in Formation and Manœuvres of the Brigade.

*Head-Quarters, Middle Brook, }  
May 4, 1779. }*

Each commanding Officer of a Brigade is desired to nominate one of the Majors in the Brigade, to do the Office of Brigade Inspector and Brigade Major, and report his Name to the Adjutant General without delay.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Alexander Scammel was at this time Adjutant General of the Army.

The first part of the Regulations for the Exercise and Discipline of the Troops, being already communicated to the different Brigades, each Officer must immediately furnish himself with a Copy of the Chapter of the Instructions of Recruits; and the commanding Officers of Regiments must immediately begin to carry the same into Execution in their respective Regim<sup>ts</sup>.

The General hopes and expects that the commanding Officers of Corps being convinced of the Necessity of this Exercise, which our Circumstances has hitherto obliged us to neglect will more redouble their Zeal in carrying it into Execution; and as a single Man who is ignorant of the first Principle, will often cause Disorder in a Platoon, or sometimes in a Battalion. No Waiters or other Soldiers must be exempt from the Exercises.

As some Companies may not have a Sufficiency of Officers to instruct their Men, the commanding Officers of Regiments (as equally as possible, will divide them among the different Companies according to their Strength. The Exercise to begin at seven O'Clock, and continue till nine in the Morning. At five O'Clock in the Afternoon, the commanding Officers of Regiments must assemble their Officers and instruct them in the different Steps, how to Dress, keep their Distances, and wheel with Precision. The Major or eldest Captain, will at the same Time, instruct the Non-Commissioned Officers. This Exercise to continue from five to six in the Afternoon, when the  
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Regiment is to assemble and perform the Exercise as in the Morning.

The above Exercise, without Arms, to continue till further Orders.

The Inspector General, and the Officers of his Department, will visit the several Brigades in turns and must be answerable that the different Regiments do not swerve in the smallest Point from the Principles laid down and established in the Regulations.

*Head-Quarters, Albany, }  
June 6<sup>th</sup> 1779.<sup>1</sup> }*

General Orders.

Parole.

Counterfign.

Guards as usual.

The third New York Regiment,<sup>2</sup> will parade tomorrow Morning, at 7 O'Clock, in Front of the Camp, to be instructed by the Inspector of this Department,

<sup>1</sup> Congress on the 25th of February, 1779, directed Measures to be taken for chastising the Western Indians. Gen. Clinton received his Orders from Gen. Sullivan on the 2d of June; but in Anticipation of these, active Preparations had been making some Time previous. Gen. Schuyler advised that the Expedition should proceed up to Fort Schuyler, and thence by the Northern Route into the Genesee Country. And the particular Route, was for some Time undecided. And a sufficient Supply of Provisions was placed in Fort Schuyler to meet any Emergency that might arise in the Course of the Expedition. Gen. Washington apparently preferred the more northern Route, but left the decision to the Officer in command.

<sup>2</sup> Col. Peter Gansevoort's Regiment.



Department, relative to the new Regulations established by the Honourable, the Continental Congress, and ordered to be uniformly practised through the Army of the United States, and it is expected the Officers will cheerfully attend to that Duty.

*Head-Quarters, Albany, }  
June 7, 1779. }*

General Orders. Parole.  
Counterfign.

Guards as usual.

*Head-Quarters, Albany, }  
June 8, 1779. }*

*Resolved*, That the Thanks of Congress be presented to Col. Van Skaick, and the Officers and Soldiers under his Command, for their Activity and good Conduct in the late Expedition against the Onondagas.

[A Copy.] Extract from the minutes,  
CHARLES THOMSON, *Secretary*.

*Head-Quarters, Middle Brook, }  
Saturday, May 8, 1779. }*

The Commander-in-Chief has the Pleasure to inform the Army that a Detachment of Troops under the Command of Col. Van Schaick, marched from Fort Schuyler the 19<sup>th</sup> of last Month towards Onondaga, a considerable Indian Settlement on the Waters of Lake Ontario, which was entirely destroyed, with a large Quantity of Grain, Cattle, Horses, Arms, and Ammunition, except such Part as could be conveniently brought off. Twelve of  
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the Savages, mostly Warriors, were killed, and four and thirty made Prisoners, the rest saved themselves by a precipitate Flight into the Woods.

This Expedition was performed in about five Days and a half, the Distance going and returning, one hundred and eighty Miles, without the loss of a Man.

The good Conduct, Secrecy, Spirit, and Dispatch, with which this Enterprize was executed, does the highest Honour to Col. Van Schaick, and the Officers and Men under his Command, and merits the Thanks of the Commander-in-Chief.<sup>1</sup>

Extract from Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders,

[A Copy.]                      ALEX. SCAMMEL, *Adj<sup>t</sup> Gen.<sup>l</sup>*

*Albany,*

<sup>1</sup> In February, 1779, Gen. Clinton having learned the Intentions of the Enemy of invading the Mohawk Settlements, marched from Albany to Schenectady, with Col. Van Schaick's Regiment (the Fifth New York Line), and ordered the Latter up to Caughnawaga. The threatened Inroad was averted, but the Duplicity of the Onondagas seemed to require a summary Course by way of Punishment and Example. And in April, a Party of five hundred Men, detailed from the Regiments of Cols. Van Schaick and Gansevoort, was sent under the former to surprize the Onondaga Settlements, and utterly destroy their Villages and Property. He was accompanied by Lieut. Col. Willett and Major Cochran.

His Orders were received on the 9th of April, and on the 19th he left Fort Schuyler, having on the evening previous, passed his Batteaux and Stores across the Portage, into Wood Creek. His whole Force numbered 558 Officers and Men. On the Afternoon of the 20th, they reached the Outlet of Oneida Lake, where leaving their Boats under Guard, they marched as rapidly as possible towards Onondaga, which they nearly reached before their Approach was discovered. The Alarm was given a little too soon for a complete Surprise, yet although the larger Number escaped, their Flight was so precipi-

Albany, June 8, 1779.

Colonel Gansevoorts Regiment<sup>1</sup> will hold themselves in readiness to March next Thursday Morning,

tate, that they took Nothing away. Thirty-three were taken Prisoners, and Twelve killed. Three Villages containing about fifty Houses were burned, a large Quantity of Beans and Corn was destroyed, nearly a hundred Muskets, several Rifles, and a considerable Amount of Ammunition were captured, their Swivel at the Council House was rendered useless, and their Cattle and Horses were killed. The Expedition returned to Fort Schuyler on the 24th.

The close Alliance between the Oneidas and the Onondagas suggested the Policy of diverting the Former from any Participation in or Knowledge of the intended Movement, and they were accordingly sent under Lieuts. McClellan and Hardenburgh, on an Expedition through the Black River Country to Oswegatchie, on the St. Lawrence. They approached that Post but were discovered in Time to prevent Success, and returned to Fort Schuyler on the 30th of April.—*Stone's Life of Brant*, i, 404. *Simms's Schoharie Co.*, 574.

Col. Gozen Van Schaick, younger Son of Sybrant G. Van Schaick, a former Mayor of Albany, served as a Major in the French War, under Col. Johnson, and was at the Battle of Ticonderoga. Upon the breaking out of the Revolution, he was appointed a Colonel, and during most of the War, he commanded the First New York Continental Battalion. His Services on the northern Frontier, in the Mohawk Valley, upon the Hudson, and in the New Jersey Campaigns, fill an honourable page in our Revolutionary Annals. His Expedition to lay waste the Onondaga Settlements in April, 1779, are more particularly noticed in this Volume, in an Order of the Commander-in-Chief, congratulating him and his Command for its Success. He remained to guard the Valley, after the departure of Gen. Clinton's Army.

Col. Van Schaick served till the Close of the War. On the 10th of October, 1783, he was appointed Brigadier General by brevet. His Death occurred July 4th, 1789, at Albany, where he had resided through Life.

<sup>1</sup> Third New York Regiment.

ing, the Q<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> General will provide them with Wagons to transport their Baggage to Schenectady.<sup>1</sup>

The Col<sup>o</sup> will appoint one Captain, 1 Sub., and thirty Privates to continue in Town, who are to be composed of those Persons who are unfit to march, or who have Families in Town. The Captain will receive further Orders at Head-Quarters. The Artillery will also hold themselves in readiness to march at the shortest Notice.

The Brigade Q<sup>r</sup> Master will see that all the Clothing for the use of the marching Regiments are properly packed up and ready to move at the same Time. M<sup>r</sup> Rensselaer will appoint a Sub-Conductor of Artillery Stores in his Department, ready to move at the same Time.

*Head-Quarters, Albany, }  
June, 9<sup>th</sup> 1779. }*

General Orders.

Parole.

Counterfign.

Captain Gregg<sup>2</sup> of the 3d New York Regiment is appointed to stay in Town with the Party under him, to take care of the Stores and is to apply

<sup>1</sup> The Distance is sixteen Miles.

<sup>2</sup> On the 26th of June, 1777, Capt. J. Gregg, then stationed at Fort Schuyler, went out from the Fort with Corporal Madison without leave, to hunt, and was shot through the back, tomahawked and scalped. His Companion was killed, and he lay more than a Day before being found. He finally recovered, served till the end of the War, and died many Years after.—*Stone's Life of Brant*, i, 226.

ply to Head-Quarters for Instructions this Afternoon.

*Head-Quarters, Albany, }  
June 10, 1779. }*

General Orders.

Parole.

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Guards as usual.

*Schenectady, June 11<sup>th</sup> 1779.*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

Parole.

Counterfign.

Tomorrow Morning Col. Gansevoort's Regiment will proceed to load the Batteaux now in the River, taking the Direction from Mr Henry Glenn,<sup>1</sup> A. D. Q. General, with all possible Dispatch. The commanding Officer of the Regiment, will direct the Officers to see that they are sufficiently manned. They will be divided in Squads, each under the Direction of an Officer, who will see that those under his Care are kept together, as he will be answerable for the Cargo, untill it is delivered at Cannajohary. Commissary Pratt, will proceed with the Stores and Provisions, to Canojohary to receive it from the Batteaux.

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<sup>1</sup> Mr. Glen resided in Schenectady. He was previously a Delegate in the New York Provincial Congress and afterwards served three Years in the Assembly, and eight years in Congress. His Death occurred at Schenectady, January 6, 1814, at the Age of 74 Years.

Lieu<sup>t</sup> Col<sup>o</sup> Regnier,<sup>1</sup> will proceed and lay out the Ground which the Troops will encamp, as soon as they arrive. When the Detachment under Lieu<sup>t</sup> Col. Butler<sup>2</sup> arrives in Town, they will proceed to load the Remainder of the Boats in the same Manner.

Mr. Glenn will take care that the Boats, now in his immediate Service, are loaded as soon as they arrive. The Q<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> will spare no Pains in collecting all the Teams they possibly can, as a great Number will be wanted.

Those Teams which may be collected in the Vicinity of Schenectady or Albany, will be loaded with the Provisions and Stores, which may remain after all the Boats are loaded.

In Consequence of the very rapid Depreciency of our Currency, within these few Weeks, and the extravagant Prices of every necessary of Life, the General is induced to order that those Officers who

<sup>1</sup> Lieut. Col. Pierre Regnier, commanded the Fourth New York Battalion from the date of its Organization, until he resigned March 30, 1780. He was soon after succeeded by Robert Cochran. He is represented as having been a large and well proportioned Man, who understood the English Language but imperfectly, but was well versed in the Science of Arms. The Captains present in his Company in May, 1779, were Sacket, Davis, Walker, Smith, Titus, Norton, and Fowler. Col. Regnier removed to New Orleans after the War, and was employed by the Mayor as a Police Officer, in which Office he continued till his Death, which occurred in the Summer of 1810. Among his Papers were found many honorable Testimonials of faithful Services.

<sup>2</sup> Lt. Col. William Butler, lately stationed at Schoharie. The total Number of Boats prepared for the Expedition was two hundred.

who were stationed in Albany and Schenectady, during the last Winter, receive double the Sum which is allowed in former Orders.<sup>1</sup>

*Head-*

<sup>1</sup> The Scale of Depreciation of Continental Bills of Credit, at Intervals of two Weeks from the date when they were at par, till they had fell to two and a half Cents on a Dollar, was specified in an Act of the New York Legislature for the Recovery of Debts, and the Settlement of Accounts, passed March 30, 1781, as follows:

1777, Sept.	1, 100	Dec.	15, 679
	15, 104	1779, Jan.	1, 742
Oct.	1, 109		15, 796
	15, 115	Feb.	1, 868
Nov.	1, 121		15, 932
	15, 127	Mar.	1, 1000
Dec.	1, 133		15, 1048
	15, 139	April	1, 1104
1778, Jan.	1, 146		15, 1156
	15, 152	May	1, 1219
Feb.	1, 160		15, 1272
	15, 167	June	1, 1344
Mar.	1, 175		15, 1404
	15, 186	July	1, 1436
April	1, 203		15, 1548
	15, 214	Aug.	1, 1631
May	1, 230		15, 1709
	15, 245	Sept.	1, 1800
June	1, 265		15, 1908
	15, 281	Oct.	1, 2032
July	1, 303		15, 2151
	15, 332	Nov.	1, 2340
Aug.	1, 348		15, 2433
	15, 370	Dec.	1, 2597
Sept.	1, 400		15, 2741
	15, 429	1780, Jan.	1, 2932
Oct.	1, 464		15, 3115
	15, 500	Feb.	1, 3333
Nov.	1, 545		15, 3533
	15, 584	Mar.	1, 3732
Dec.	1, 634		15, 4000

*Head-Quarters, Schenectady, }  
June 12, 1779. }*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders. Parole.  
Counterfign.

*Head-Quarters, Schenectady, }  
June 13, 1779. }*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders. Parole.  
Counterfign.

*Head-Quarters, June 14, 1779, }  
Canojobary Creek. }*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders. Parole.  
C. Sign.

*Head-Quarters, Canajohary Creek, }  
June 15, 1779.<sup>1</sup> }*

General Orders. Parole.  
C. Sign.

*Head-*

<sup>1</sup> General Clinton was at this Time at Albany. On this Date he wrote to his Brother, Governor George Clinton, relating to his Movements as follows :

*“ Albany, June 15, 1779.*

*“ DEAR BROTHER :*

*“ Yesterday I received a Letter from Gen. Sullivan, dated the 11th Instant, and One from his Excellency [Gen. Washington], dated the 10th, the former of which points out my Route from hence, until I join the Army under him, the latter only refers me to any Orders I may receive from Gen<sup>l</sup> Sullivan. I have ordered one hundred Boats to be loaded at Schenectady, and transported up the River by the 3d N. Y. Regiment, and*



*Head-Quarters, Canajohary Creek, }  
June 16, 1779. }*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

Parole.

C. Sign.

*Camp,*

the Detachment under Col. Butler, both which Fleets have already failed. I have ordered one hundred more Boats to be had in Readiness immediately, as the Gen<sup>l</sup> has ordered me to embark all the Troops and take no P. Horses. I have ordered three or four hundred Wagons to be collected at Canajoharie, to transport the Boats and Stores across the Carrying Place to Lake Otsego, the Place of Embarkation, where I shall wait further Orders to proceed. I am informed that you are to march with a Detachment up the Popactunk Branch of the Delaware. I shall be happy to meet you, and have requested Gen<sup>l</sup> Sullivan to inform you of the Time I am to leave Lake Otsego Landing, as I could not do it so expeditiously as may be Necessary.

I have left two Companies of Butler's Detachment at Schoharie, who are to rejoin me on the shortest Notice, I am sorry to inform you that out of all the nine Months Men, we have received only one hundred and fifty.\* I shall be also under the necessity of evacuating Cherry Valley, as we have no Troops to garrison it, for altho' Gen<sup>l</sup> Ten Broeck hath ordered out one-fourth of his Brigade, few or none have made their Appearance.

I have ordered Col. V. Schaick to repair to this place to take the Command, in order to prevent the difficulties which may arise in this Particular during my Absence. This I

\* An Act was passed March 13, 1779, for raising one thousand Men for the Defence of the western and northern Frontiers of the State of New York: to continue in Service till the first Day of January following, and to be allowed the same Pay and Rations, as in the Army of the United States. They were to consist of five distinct Corps of five hundred Men each. These were each to be commanded by a Lieut. Colonel, a Major, and five sets of line Officers, and were allowed a Surgeon, Adjutant, and Quarter Master.

These Troops, were to be raised by Draft from the Militia, and were subject to the same Rules in the Service, as prescribed in the Continental Articles of War. The Governor was authorized to Draft from the Levies thus raised, to fill the five Continental Battalions of Continental Troops, which had been assigned by Congress as the Quota of New York.

*Camp, Canajohary Creek, }  
June 17, 1779. }*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.      Parole, Albany.  
C. Sign, Paris.

Major Whiting will proceed with that part of his Regiment which is at Cherry Valley<sup>1</sup> to Springfield Landing on the north End of Otsego Lake.<sup>2</sup> He will apply to the Q<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> for Wagons to transport his Troops and Baggage, when the Troops arrive at the Landing, he will throw up such Intrenchments as he may deem necessary, to prevent a Surprise. He will exert himself in repairing the Roads<sup>3</sup> from the Lake downward.

was more inclined to do, as Capt. John Graham is appointed Major of said Regiment.

I should be glad to hear from you by every Opportunity, as there is a Post established from Wyoming to Fort Schuyler, thro' Esopus and Albany.

I am with great Respect,  
Your very humble Serv<sup>t</sup>,  
JAMES CLINTON.

P. S. I shall set off this Day for Canajoharie. Enclosed are two letters from Co<sup>l</sup> V. Schaicks.

<sup>1</sup> The Regiment referred to was a Body of Pennsylvania Troops that had been stationed at Schoharie through the Winter, under Lieut. Col. William Butler.

<sup>2</sup> Otsego Lake is eight Miles long and one wide, elevated 1,193 feet above Tide, and surrounded by Hills, from four to five hundred Feet in Height. Its Outlet forms the principal head Branch of the Susquehanna.

<sup>3</sup> The Road opened through the Woods by Gen. Clinton's Army to Otsego Lake, was long known as the Old Continental Road. Its Length was about twenty Miles, and Portions of it are still used.

downward. The Quarter Master General on Application, will provide him with Impliments for that Purpose. As soon as Capt. Dow arrives he will proceed to join his Regiment, by the Springfield Road, which he will repair as he goes on. When the Road is rendered passable, and the first Bateaux arrived at the Landing, Major Whiting will dispatch a Party of Men to the Outlet of the Lake, and erect a Dam,<sup>1</sup> he leave a Subaltern's Guard at the

<sup>1</sup> The Plan adopted for floating the Boats down the Susquehanna, was to build a Dam across the Outlet, until a sufficient Amount of Water had been accumulated, and then to break away the Dam and float down on the Flood. His Boats had been previously passed through, and the Channel cleared. This Measure proved entirely successful, and the flotilla descended with comparative ease. The Occurrence of a Flood in Mid-Summer, and without Rains, was regarded by the superstitious Indians, who were ignorant of the Cause, as an Omen of Evil, and a Prefage of the Disasters which followed the Invasion of their Country. Much Damage was occasioned to the growing Crops on the Susquehannah, by the Flood.

The Traditions of the Country relate, that as a Means of further increasing the Flow of Water in the Lake, a Party was sent two or three Days before, to break away a Beaver Dam, which held the Waters of Schuyler Lake, a Tributary to the Otsego. This Invasion of private Rights, under a Plea of Public Necessity, was resented by the Beavers, who as soon as the Party had gone set themselves at Work to repair the Dam in the Night, and before Morning, had restored it complete. A Guard was then stationed to protect the Point against further Molestation.

The last of the Logs of the Dam built by Gen. Clinton's Brigade was removed on the 26th of October, 1825, in the Ceremony of beginning the Susquehannah Canal, then contemplated. The Occasion was made one of Fun and Frolick, and the Day selected was that on which the Completion of the Erie Canal was celebrated.

A large Iron Swivel was found many Years ago, buried near

the Fort, to take care of the Stores and Sick till further Orders. When the Waggon's arrive and are ready to proceed, Lieu<sup>t</sup> Col<sup>o</sup> Willet who has offered his Service, will apply to Lieu<sup>t</sup> Col<sup>o</sup> Reginier for such a Number of Men as he thinks proper, who will issue a Detail for that Purpose.

The Quarter Masters will exert themselves in every Particular to expedite the Transportation of the Stores with all possible Dispatch, and afford L<sup>t</sup> Col. Willet<sup>1</sup> every Assistance in their Power. On the Arrival of Lieu<sup>t</sup> Col. Wizenfelts<sup>2</sup> Regiment, he will apply to the Quarter M<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> for Tools, and immediately proceed to repair the Roads from this Place along the Cherry Valley Road, till he comes to the Springfield Road, where he will take  
Post

the Lake, where it had been left as Unserviceable for the Expedition. It was long used on Fourth of July, and other Celebrations.—*Livermore's Cooper's History of Cooperstown*, p. 17.

<sup>1</sup> Marinus Willet was long identified with the Military Operations of the Mohawk Valley, and its local History is intimately associated with his Memory. He commanded at St. Johns in 1775 and 1776, and at Fort Constitution in 1777. In the same Year he was stationed at Fort Schuyler, and assisted in its gallant Defence against a powerful Force of Indian and Tory Savages, under Colonel St. Leger. He was in the Battle of Monmouth in 1778, with the Sullivan Expedition in 1779, and in the Mohawk Valley in 1780, 1781, and 1782.

Col. Willet was subsequently honored with various civil Offices, among which was that of Mayor of the City of New York. He died in August, 1830, aged ninety Years.

<sup>2</sup> Lieut. Col. Frederick Weisenfels was a Prussian. He served through the War, and died May 14, 1806. At the Time referred to in the Text, he was commanding the 4th New York Battalion, numbering about 250 Men.

Post, untill further Orders, he will be carefull to keep out Guards and Scouts as are necessary for his own Security, as to afford every Assistance in his Power to the Waggon as they proceed. The Camp Guard for the Present is to be considered as the General Camp and Quarter Guard, it will consist of a Subaltern, two Serjeants, four Corporals, and forty-four Privates. They will encamp in the Rear of the Generals Marque. The Quartermaster Gen<sup>l</sup> will furnish Tents for that Purpose. The Officer will apply to Lieu<sup>t</sup> Col. Regnier for particular Orders.

The General cannot help expressing his Approbation at the Conduct of the Troops under his Command, and the Alacrity with which they brought up the Batteaux and Stores from Schenectady to this Place, he thinks it is unnecessary to point to them the Necessity of preserving the same Line of Conduct, every Exertion will be Necessary to effect this present Undertaking, and if properly applied, cannot fail under Heaven of being a glorious One. He therefore calls on every Officer and Soldier for a strenuous and diligent Discharge of their Duty, which from the present Appearance, he has not the least Reason to doubt of. An Orderly Serj<sup>t</sup> from every Regiment on the Ground is to attend at the General's Marque every Day, to be relieved at Guard Mounting the next Day. One Orderly Serj<sup>t</sup> is to attend likewise upon Lt Col<sup>o</sup> Regnier, to be relieved in the same Time. The Adjutants on the Ground will attend for Orders at Lieu<sup>t</sup> Col. Regniers Q<sup>rs</sup> every Day at

12 O'Clock. No Waggoners who comes upon the Ground are to be dismissed upon any Pretence except by an Order from Head-Quarters.

*Camp, Canajohary Creek, }  
June 18, 1779. }*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

Parole.

C. Sign.

The Detachment under the Command of Lieu<sup>t</sup> Col. Butler, will march tomorrow Morning at Sunrife.<sup>1</sup> The Q. M. Gen<sup>l</sup> will supply them with Waggon's sufficient to transport their Baggage and Stores to Springfield, they will exert themselves in forwarding on the Waggon's and repairing the Roads wherever they require it. The Q. M. Gen<sup>l</sup> will supply them with Tools on Application for that Purpose. The Rifle Corps will be employed in scouting the Woods and keeping up the Communication between the different Posts. Mr Dow the Assistant Q<sup>r</sup> Mr will proceed immediately to Otsego Lake with the Carpenters, and repair the Boats as they arrive, in the best Order possible, without Loss of Time. Commissary Woodman will for the Future supply or issue Provisions to the late Aldens Regiment,<sup>1</sup> and Col<sup>o</sup> Butler's

<sup>1</sup> Lieut. Col. William Butler had lately been stationed at Schoharie, with a Detachment of Pennsylvania Troops, consisting of the 4th Pennsylvania Line. In this Expedition he also commanded the Rifle Corps. He was first appointed Captain, January 5th, 1776, and was promoted October 7, 1776.

<sup>1</sup> Col. Ichabod Alden, commanding an Eastern Regiment, was killed at Cherry Valley, in November, 1778.

Butler's when they join together; and Commissary Post will issue to the New York Regiment<sup>s</sup>. Lieut Col<sup>o</sup> Willet will issue for Fatigue, Rum for all those who may be employed under his immediate Direction.

For the Future the Assistant Q. M. Gen<sup>l</sup> or any of his Deputies will attend for Orders at Lieut Col. Regniers Quarters.

For the Future, untill further Orders, one Drummer will be for Duty from each Regiment, and the daily Beats shall be as follows: The different daily Beats shall begin on the Right of the Camp, and be instantly followed by the whole Army, to facilitate which, the Drummers call shall be beat by the Drummer then on Duty of each Regiment, a Quarter of an Hour before the Time of Beating, when the Drummers will assemble before the Colours of their respective Reg<sup>ts</sup>, and as soon as the Beat begins on the Right, it shall be instantly taken up by the whole Army. The Drummers beating along the Front of their respective Regiments, from the Centre to the Right, from thence to the Left, and back again to the Centre, where they finish.

The different Beats and Signals are to be as follows: The General is to beat only when the whole is to march, and is the Signal to strike the Tents and prepare for the March. The Assembly is the Signal to repair to the Colours. The March, for the Whole to move. The Revellee, is beat at Day break, and is the Signal for the Soldiers to rise, and the Centries to leave off Challenging.

The

The Troop, assembles the Soldiers together for the Purpose of calling the Roll and inspecting the Men for Duty, it will begin Tomorrow at half after seven in the Morning; and the Men Ordered for Duty, to be on the Grand Parade at 8 O'Clock.

The Retreat is beat at Sunset for calling the Roll, warning the Men for Duty, and reading the Orders of the Day. The Tattoo, is for the Soldiers to repair to their Tents, where they must remain till Reveille beating the next Morning, unless ordered otherwise. To Arms, is a Signal for getting under Arms in Case of an Alarm. The Parley is to desire a Conference with the Enemy.

#### THE SIGNALS.

Adjutants Call, The first Part of the Troop.

First Serjeant's or Orderly Call, One Roll and three Flamms.

All Non-Commissioned Officers Call, Two Rolls and five Flamms.

To go for Wood, Pioneers Stroke and Ten Stroke Roll.

For Water, Two Strokes and a Flam.

For Provision, Roast Beef.

Front to Halt, Two Flams from Left to Right and full Drag with the Right, a left Hand Flam, and a right Hand full Drag.

For the Front to advance quicker, The long March; to march slower, The Tapps.

For the Drummers, The Drummers Call.

For the Church Call, The Parley.

The



The Drummers will Practice a hundred Paces in Front of the Battalion, and the Hours fix'd by the Adjutant General will be from nine to ten O'Clock in the Morning, and any Drummer found beating at any other Time, except ordered, shall be punished. The Guards for Tomorrow to be furnished from Col. Gansevoorts Reg<sup>t</sup> as to Day, and the Adj<sup>t</sup> will name an Officer of the Day.

Field Returns to be made daily, and the Officer of the Day then relieved to Deliver it up to the Brigade Major of the Day, or Adjutant Gen<sup>l</sup>. Orderly Serj<sup>ts</sup> as usual.

*Camp, Canajohary Creek, }  
June 19<sup>th</sup> 1779. }*

General Orders. Parole, Clinton.  
Cambridge.  
Counterfign, Campden.

Guards for Tomorrow from Col. Gansevoorts Regiment as usual. The Captain of the Day, and Orderly Serjeant to be named from the Same, by Adjutant Hutton<sup>†</sup> Lieut Col. Wisenfelt will furnish the Waggon with an Escort, from his Detachment, 'till they arrive at the Post occupied by Lieut Col<sup>o</sup> Butler, who will continue an Escort with them from his Regiment, 'till they come to the Lake, where they will be received by the late Aldens Regiment. The returning Waggon will be

<sup>†</sup> Adjutant Hutton belonged to the 3d New York Battalion, under Col. Gansevoort.

be escorted by the late Aldens Reg<sup>t</sup> to Lieut Col. Butler's Station, who will escort them 'till they arrive at Lieut Col. Wyzenfelt's Post, and Lieut Col<sup>o</sup> Wyzenfelt will guard them to the Mohawk River.

The General requests the commanding Officers, at the different [posts] in the most pointed Terms, to forward on the Waggon with all possible Dispatch, sending them back when they are loaded.

*June 19, 1779.*

After Orders.

Captain John Graham<sup>1</sup> of the First New York Regiment is appointed Major in said Regiment, and is to be obey'd and respected as such. Also Captain Leonard Bleeker of the Third New York is appointed Major of Brigade<sup>2</sup> 'till further Orders, and is to be obey'd and respected accordingly.

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<sup>1</sup> Capt. Graham had formerly commanded at Fort Schuyler. He led the Advance Guard of Col. Van Schaick's Expedition into the Onondaga Country, in the early Part of 1779. He subsequently became Major, and died May 7, 1832.

<sup>2</sup> The Duties of Major of Brigade are minutely defined on Page 13 of this Volume, the Text of which is from a Book kept by Capt. Leonard Bleeker.

Capt. Bleeker was born in 1755, and was a Descendant of Jan Jansen Bleeker, who emigrated in 1668, and settled at Albany. On the 28th of June, 1775, Mr. Bleeker was appointed Second Lieutenant in Capt. Willet's Company, in the First New York Regiment, commanded by Col. Alexander McDougall, and in August, joined the Expedition preparing for a Descent upon St. Johns. He participated in the Battle of Long Island, and in the Retreat from thence to New York and Westchester County. After being stationed for a Time at

*In Congress, June 5<sup>th</sup> 1779.*

*Resolved,*

The Honourable, the Congress have been pleased to pass the following Act, viz :

Ordered,

Peekskill, he crossed at Kings Ferry, and from thence across New Jersey, under Circumstances of great Privation and Hardship, which disabled four Captains of the Regiment, and left him with the Duties of that Office. In that Capacity, he fought in the Battles of Trenton and Princeton.

On the Reorganization of the Army, early in 1777, he became First Lieutenant in the Fourth New York Regiment, under Col. Henry B. Livingston, and in March became Captain of the Third New York, under Col. Peter Gansevoort, in Place of Captain Houston, who had deserted to the Enemy. This Regiment was ordered to Fort Stanwix in June, 1777, and nobly defended that Place, when invested soon after by St. Leger.

Capt. Bleeker accompanied Col. Van Schaick's Expedition into the Onondaga Country in the Spring of 1779, and the Army under Gen. Clinton the following Summer, as noticed in the Text. He was succeeded in the Office of Major of Brigade by Major Nicholas Fish, upon the Arrival of the Expedition upon the Chemung River, and returned to his Duties in the Line, in which he served till the End of the Campaign.

In January, 1780, upon the four New York Regiments being reduced to two, he was appointed Captain in the First, under Col. Van Schaick. In 1780, 1781, he served under Gen. La Fayette, and was again appointed Major of Brigade under General Hazen, in LaFayette's Division. He witnessed the Surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown, and continued to serve till the End of the War.

Returning to civil Life, his later Years were largely devoted to Enterprises of a Philanthropic and Benevolent Character, and his personal Record shows that he was an Officer at various Times, in over twenty different Societies and Institutions, tending to the Amelioration of Distress, and the Promotion of Religion and Morality among Mankind.

He died on the 9th of March, 1844, at Newtown, L. I., highly esteemed and respected, having filled a long and useful Life with Honor.

Ordered, that Col<sup>o</sup> Dubois's<sup>1</sup> Rank in the Line of the Army of the United States of America, be after Col. Van Cortlands, and Colonel Gansevoorts.<sup>2</sup>

A General Court Martial will sit Tomorrow Morning 9 O'Clock : at the Presidents Marque, for the Tryal of Mr Henry Hare, taken on Suspicion of being a Spy.

Col<sup>o</sup> Gansevoort will preside.

Of the Artillery.	{	Captain Wool,	Of the 3 <sup>d</sup> N. Y.	{	Captain Anson,
		Captain Machun,			Captain DeWitt,
		Cap <sup>t</sup> Lt McLare,			Captain Jansen,
		Lieu <sup>t</sup> Harvey,			Captain Tiabout,
		Lieu <sup>t</sup> Parker,			Cap <sup>t</sup> Lt Syloz,
		Lieu <sup>t</sup> Patterfon.			Lieu <sup>t</sup> Conine.

Captain Porter will act as Judge Advocate.

*Camp,*

<sup>1</sup> Lieut. Col. Lewis Dubois, commanded the 5th Continental Battalion raised by New York. He was commissioned June 25, 1776, and resigned Dec. 22, 1779; and was succeeded July 1, 1780, by Marinus Willet. On this Date he was made Colonel of a Regiment of Levies, raised to reinforce the Army of the United States. He resided in Ulster County, and died March 4, 1824.

Col. Peter Gansevoort, was born in Albany, July 17, 1749, and served through the Revolution as a Field Officer, in the Second, and afterwards in the Third New York Regiment. He is particularly distinguished for the Defence of Fort Schuyler in 1777, and for his active and intelligent Services in the Mohawk Valley. He was subsequently appointed Brigadier General of Militia. He died at Albany, July 2, 1812. The Colours of the Third Continental Battalion, which he commanded, are still preserved by his Family.

*Camp, Canajohary Creek,* }  
*June 20, 1779.* }

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders. Parole, Denmark.  
 Dublin.  
 Counterfign, Dunkirk.

Guards as usual, to be furnished from the Third New York Regim<sup>t</sup>; and the Officer of the Day and Orderly Serj<sup>t</sup>, to be named by the Adjutant from the same.

The Moment the Coopers arrive, they will proceed to examine and repair the Provision Barrels, under the Commiffary's Direction. The Officer for the Day, for the Future, is requested to dine at Head-Quarters.

At a General Court Martial held at Camp Canajohary, June 20, whereof Col. Gansevoort was President, M<sup>r</sup> Henry Hare was tryed for lurking about the Camp as a Spy, found Guilty, and sentenced to be hanged by the Neck 'till he is dead. At the same Court Martial, was tried Daniel McKenny, for endeavouring to seduce Soldiers to desert, found guilty of the Charge, and sentenced to receive one hundred Lashes on his bare Back well laid on, and drummed out of the Camp. The General approves the Sentences, and orders them to be put in Execution Tomorrow Morning at 9 O'Clock. For which reason the Troops will be under Arms at half after eight O'Clock, and Col. Yates, Q<sup>r</sup> Master General, will make the necessary Preparations for the Execution.<sup>1</sup>

*Camp,*

<sup>1</sup> Gen. Clinton, in writing to Mrs. Clinton, July 6th, alluded to the Execution of these Spies as follows:

Camp, Canajohary Creek, }  
 June 21, 1779. }

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders. Parole, Edinburgh.  
 England.

Counterfign, Egbert.

A Court of Enquiry of three Captains from the  
 Troops on the Ground, will meet this Afternoon  
 at

“ I have Nothing further to acquaint you of, except that we apprehended a certain Lieut. Henry Hare, and a Sergeant Newbury, both of Col. Butler's Regiment, who confessed that they left the Seneca Country with sixty-three Indians, and two White Men, who divided themselves into three Partys: one Party was to attack Schoharie, another Party Cherry Valley and the Mohawk River, and the other Party to skulk about Fort Schuyler and the upper Part of the Mohawk River, to take Prisoners or Scalps. I had them tried by a General Court Martial for *Spies*, who sentenced them both to be hanged, which was done accordingly at Cannajoharie, to the Satisfaction of all the Inhabitants of that Place, who were Friends to their Country, as they were known to be very active in almost all the Murders that were committed on these Frontiers. They were Inhabitants of Tryon County, had each a Wife and several Children, who came to see them, and beg for their Lives.”

Henry Hare resided before the War, in the present Town of Florida, a few Miles from Fort Hunter. Wm. Newbury lived about three Miles from Hare's towards the present Village of Glen. The latter had been an active Participant in the Massacre at Cherry Valley, as was proven upon the Trial. Hare and Newbury had been visiting their Friends, and were several Days concealed in their own Dwellings. The former had left Home before Daylight to return to Canada, and was to call for his Comrade on the Route.

Major Newkirk having been informed of their Prefence in the Neighborhood, procured their Arrest. They were hung near the present Village of Canajoharie; and the Bones of Newbury, with those of Titus, who was shot as a Deserter, were thrown out in the construction of the Erie Canal. The body of Hare was delivered to Friends for Burial.

Newbury was not executed until June 28th.

at three O'Clock P. M., to inspect the Provisions now on the Ground, and are to make their Report to the General of the Condition and Goodness of the Same.

The eldest Cap<sup>t</sup> in Commission will preside.

From the Artillery, Cap<sup>t</sup> Machun.<sup>1</sup>

3 N. York, Cap<sup>t</sup> Tiebout.<sup>2</sup>

5 N. York, Cap<sup>t</sup> Rosekrans.<sup>3</sup>

Ensign

<sup>1</sup> Thomas Machin was born in Staffordshire, England, March 20, 1744, settled in New York in 1772, and took an early and active interest in the Revolution. He was made Second Lieutenant of N. Y. Artillery, January 18, 1776, and Captain Lieutenant in the second Battalion of Artillery on the 1st of January. He held this Rank in the Expedition to Onondaga, under Col. Van Schaick, and to the Genesee Country under Gen. Clinton, in 1779. On the 21st of August, 1780, he was appointed Captain in the Second New York Artillery, and one Year after in the First.

He was employed as Engineer in constructing and placing the Chain across the Hudson in the Highlands, and after the War, was for a Time, engaged in coining Money for States, before the adoption of the Federal Constitution. His Works were at the Outlet of a Pond, five Miles back from Newburgh. The Papers of Captain Machin now before us, show that he enjoyed the Confidence of Governor George Clinton, his Brother, Gen. James Clinton, Gen. Washington, Gen. La Fayette, and many other distinguished Characters of his Day. In after Life he was somewhat of an Adventurer in Land Speculations, and was Patentee of large Tracts in the northern Parts of Oneida County. He died at Charlestown, Montgomery County, N. Y., April 3, 1816.

Capt. Machin was a Member of the New York State Society of the Cincinnati, and was succeeded by his son Gen. Thomas Machin of Albany.

<sup>2</sup> Henry Tiebout.

<sup>3</sup> James Rosekrans. He was commissioned as Captain of the 1st Company of Col. Dubois's Regiment, Nov. 21, 1776. He was promoted to Major and served through the War.

Ensign Thuthell of the 4<sup>th</sup> New York Regiment, who is appointed to superintend the Roads betwixt Otsego Lake and this Place, will apply to the Deputy Adjutant Gen<sup>l</sup> for such number of Men as he thinks necessary for the repairing of the said.

The Assistant Q. M. Gen<sup>l</sup> will immediately take down the Names of all the Pilots, Volunteers, and Batteauxmen who are, or may hereafter arrive on the Ground, and report the same to the General.

Details of Guards for Tomorrow :

3 <sup>d</sup> N. York Sub., Serj <sup>ts</sup> , Corpl <sup>s</sup> , D and Fife, Priv <sup>ts</sup> .					
		1	3	1	32
5 N. York	1	2	2	1	28
	—	—	—	—	—
Total,	1	3	5	2	60

Captain of the Day, Tomorrow, from Col<sup>o</sup> Dubois's Regiment. Adjutant of the Day, for do. Dodge to attend the Parade.

1 Orderly Serj<sup>t</sup> from Col. Gansevoorts, 2 Orderly Serj<sup>t</sup> from Col. Dubois's, to attend the Parade.

For the Future, the Adjutants of the different Regiments, and the Clerk of the Gen<sup>l</sup> Hospital, will attend at the Brigade Majors Tent near Headquarters, every Day at 2 O'Clock, for Orders.

One Sub., two Serj<sup>ts</sup>, two Corporals, and thirty Privates, to parade at Daylight, with one Days Provisions ready cooked, and the Officer will apply to Lieu<sup>t</sup> Col. Willet for Orders.

Detail,



Detail, Sub., Serjt, Corp<sup>l</sup>, D. and Fife, Privates.  
 3 N. York, 1 1 16  
 5 N. York, 2 1 14

Another Fatigue to parade about seven O'Clock in the Morning, and the commanding Officer will apply as above for Orders.

	Sub.,	Serj <sup>ts</sup> ,	Corp <sup>ls</sup> ,	Privates.
3 N. York,		1	1	23
5 N. York,	1	1	1	17
	—	—	—	—
Total,	1	2	2	40

*Camp, Canajohary Creek, }  
 June 22, 1779. }*

General Orders.

Parole.

C. Sign.

Captain of the Day, Tomorrow from Col<sup>o</sup> Dubois's, Adjutant Dodge. One Orderly Serjt from Col<sup>o</sup> Gansevoort's, to attend upon the Gen<sup>l</sup> and one from Col. Dubois's.

1 Orderly Serjt from Col<sup>o</sup> Dubois's to attend the Deputy Adj<sup>t</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup>.

Details for Guard :

3 N. York,	1	2	2	1	36
5 N. York,		2	2	1	25
	—	—	—	—	—
Total,	1	4	4	2	61

The commanding Officers of the different Guards on the Ground, will make a Report of their  
 their

their Respective Guards to the Officer of the Day, every Morning at the Grand Parade, and the Officer of the Day to the Deputy Adjutant General at Eleven O'Clock before Eleven O'Clock every Day.

One of the Serjeants from Col<sup>o</sup> Dubois's Regiment who is warned for Guard Tomorrow, will be Cafe Vandermark, with four Men, which he will chose himself, to be a standing Guard upon Commiffary Post's Stores. The Regimental Surgeons will make daily Reports to the Surgeon General of all the Sick in their several Corps, that proper Care may be taken of them.

*June 22<sup>d</sup> 1779.*

After Orders.

For Detachment to parade at Daylight Tomorrow Morning with one Days Provisions ready cooked. Composed of 1 Sub., 1 Serjt, 1 Corp<sup>l</sup>, and 30 Privates.

Detail,	Sub.,	Serjt,	Corp <sup>l</sup> ,	Priv <sup>ts</sup> .
Ganfevoorts,	1		1	16
Dubois's		1		14
	—	—	—	—
Total,	1	1	1	30

For Fatigue Tomorrow Morning to parade at Daylight, with one Days Provisions ready cooked. 2 Subs., 2 Serj<sup>ts</sup>, 2 Corporals and 60 Priv<sup>ts</sup>.

Detail,	Sub.,	Serj <sup>ts</sup> ,	Corp <sup>l</sup> ,	Privates.
3 N. York,	1	1	1	33
5 N. York,	1	1	1	27
	—	—	—	—
Total,	2	2	2	60

The Officers of the whole to apply to Lieut Col. Willet for Orders.

*Camp, Canajohary Creek, }  
June 23<sup>d</sup> 1779. }*

General Orders. Parole, Fantensy.  
C. Sign, France.  
Fiz.

Captain of the Day Tomorrow from Col. Gansevoort's, Adj<sup>t</sup> Hutton. One Orderly Serjeant to attend the General, from Col<sup>o</sup> Gansevoort's; and one from Col<sup>o</sup> Dubois's, one Orderly Serj<sup>t</sup> from Col<sup>o</sup> Dubois's to attend on the Deputy Adjutant General.

Detail of Guards :

	Sub.,	Serj <sup>ts</sup> ,	Corp <sup>ls</sup> ,	D. and Fife,	Priv <sup>ts</sup> .
Gansevoort's,	2	2	1	33	
Dubois's,	1	2	2	1	24
—	—	—	—	—	—
Total,	1	4	4	2	57

Each commanding Officer of Regiments will immediately make a Return to Head-Quarters, of what Number of Waggon's they shall want to convey the Tents and Baggage of their respective Regiments to Otsego Lake. The commanding Officer of the Detachment of Artillery upon the Ground will likewise make a Return of what Number of Waggon's shall be wanted for his Department.

The Q<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup>, Commiffary Gen<sup>l</sup>, and Hofpital Department, are to make the like Returns,  
that

that the Troops may not be detained on that account. The General expressly forbids firing of Musquets in or about the Camp, and any Soldier or Followers of the Army, who shall be detected in firing without Orders, shall be tied up by the Drummers of the first Regiment they come to, and receive ten Lashes, and the General expects that every Officer will exert themselves in bringing those Guilty of that unsoldier like Practice, to instant Punishment.

At a General Court Martial, held at Camp Canajoharie Creek, June the 20<sup>th</sup>, and held by Adjournment to the 23<sup>d</sup>, whereof Col. Gansevoort was President, William Newbury,<sup>1</sup> formerly an Inhabitant of this Country, now a Serjeant in the British Service, was tryed for lurking about the Vicinity of the Camp as a Spy, found Guilty, and sentenced to be hanged by the Neck 'till he is dead.

The General approves the Sentence and orders it to be put in Execution at 6 O'Clock next Friday Morning.

At the same Court Martial was tryed Corporal Burroughs of the 3<sup>d</sup> N. York Reg<sup>t</sup>, for neglect of Duty, and being asleep on his Guard. The Court considering the former good Character of the Prisoner, sentence him to be reprimanded by the Adjutant at the head of the Reg<sup>t</sup>.

Also were tryed at the same Court, Bishop Hadley and Peter Lyman, for sleeping on their  
Posts,

<sup>1</sup> See Note on Page 42.

Posts, found Guilty, and sentenced to receive 200 Lashes each on their bare Back. The General approves the Sentences and orders them to be put in Execution this Evening at Retreat beating.

At the same Court Martial, James Titus, Soldier in the 5th N. York Reg<sup>t</sup> was tryed for Defertion, found Guilty, and sentenced to be shot at the Head of his Regiment.

The General approves the Sentence, and orders it to be put in Execution Tomorrow Morning at 6 O'Clock.<sup>1</sup>

*Camp, Cannojohary Creek, }  
June 24, 1779. }*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders. Parol, Hanover.

Counterfign, { Harwick.  
Homestead.

Captain of the Day Tomorrow from Col<sup>o</sup> Gansevoort's, Adjutant Hutton. One Orderly Serjeant from Col<sup>o</sup> Gansevoort's to attend upon the General. Guards for Tomorrow from the Same.

Details, Sub., Serj<sup>ts</sup>, Corp<sup>ls</sup>, D. and Fife, Priv<sup>ts</sup>  
1            2            3            2            39

The General Returns his most sincere Thanks to the Gentlemen Inhabitants of this State, who have

<sup>1</sup> Titus was buried near the Place of Execution. A Skeleton, supposed to be that of Titus or Hare, was found in excavating the Erie Canal, long afterwards.—Simms's *Schoharie Co.*, p. 298.

have so cheerfully and effectually assisted him in the Transportation of the Stores and Boats for the Use of the Army towards Otsego Lake. Such an exemplified patriotic Conduct is an happy Omen of our future Success, and an evident Demonstration that we can never be Slaves. The Quarter Master General is desired to give those Waggoners who lives at the greatest Distance, and have been longest in the Service, a full Discharge and Certificates for the Time they have been employed.

In pursuance of the Generals Orders of Yesterday, the Sentence of William Newbury is to be put in Execution Tomorrow Morning at 6 O'Clock when the Troop upon the Ground will parade for that Purpose at the usual Place.

The Detachment of Artillery, with the Artillery Stores and Col<sup>o</sup> Dubois's Regiment will keep themselves in Readiness to march at a Minutes Warning, they will apply to the Q. M. Gen<sup>l</sup> for a sufficient Number of Waggoners to transport their Stores and Baggage to Otsego Lake.

*June 24, 1779.*

After Orders.

At a Court of Inspection ordered by Brigadier Gen<sup>l</sup> James Clinton, we the Subscribers have inspected into the Beef and Bread at this Post, and find seventeen Barrels of Beef unfit to issue, but by the Advice of Lieu<sup>t</sup> Col. Willet, do imagine Parts of said Barrels fit for some Service which he will be able to inform; also several Barrels of good Beef not having their Compliment; also find one  
Barrel

Barrel of Bread not fit to issue, and order the Bread and one Barrel of Beef to be thrown away.

JAMES ROSEKRANS,<sup>1</sup> *Capt.*

HENRY TIEBOUT, *Capt.*

THOS MACHIN, *Capt.*

*Camp, Cannojobary Creek, }  
June 25, 1779. }*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders. Parole, Hanover.

Counterfign { Harwick.  
Hamstead.

Captain of the Day Tomorrow from Col. Gansevoort's, Adjut<sup>t</sup> Hutton. One Orderly Serjt<sup>t</sup> from the same to General Clinton.

Details of Guard :

Sub. Serjt<sup>t</sup> Corp<sup>l</sup> D. and Fife Priv<sup>t</sup>.

F'm Col<sup>o</sup> Gansev<sup>ts</sup> 1 1 4 2 45

Colonel Dubois's Regiment will march this Morning on their Way to Lake Otsego, as soon as they are ready, together with the Train of Artillery, Military Stores, and Baggage. The Light Infantry Company of Col. Dubois's Regiment, will march in the Front of the Column, followed by the Train of Artillery, after which will march the Military Stores and Baggage, and the Battalion in the Rear of the Whole.

For

<sup>1</sup> Capt. Rosekrans belonged to the Regiment of Col. Dubois, and was commissioned November 21, 1776. He was promoted to Major in the 3d Regiment, and served through the War.

For the rest of the March and Encampment, the commanding Officer will direct it, as he shall think best for his own Security.

*Head-Qu<sup>rs</sup> Cannojobary Creek, }  
June 26, 1779. }*

General Orders. P., Kingfinton.

C. S. { Kent.  
Killdare.

Captain of the Day for Tomorrow from Col<sup>o</sup> Gansev<sup>ts</sup> Regiment, Adjutant Hutton.

1 Orderly Serj<sup>t</sup> from the same for the Gen<sup>l</sup>.

Details of Guard :

Sub.,	Serj <sup>ts</sup> ,	Corp <sup>ls</sup> ,	D. and Fife,	Priv <sup>ts</sup> .
1	1	5	2	48

One Sub., one Serj<sup>t</sup>, one Corp<sup>l</sup>, and 18 Privates, to parade immediately, to escort the Waggon with Ammunition as far as Col<sup>o</sup> Wyzenfelts. The Officer will call at Head-Quarters for Instructions.

Col<sup>o</sup> Gansevoort will furnish a Subalterns Guard to escort the Ammunition which is arrived this Day in Camp, as far as Col<sup>o</sup> Wyzenfelts Regiment, who will order them to be relieved, and send it forward to the next Post, under a similar Escort, and so on from Post to Post, 'till it is delivered up to the Conductor of Artillery Stores at Lake Otsego. The Officers of the different Escorts, will give Receipts to those from whom they have received it.

The General Court Martial, whereof Col. Gansevoort was President, is dissolved.

William



William Newbury, who was respited Yesterday, is to be executed next Monday Morning at 6 O'Clock, and the Troops on the Ground will assemble for that Purpose at the usual Place of Execution.

At a General Court Martial held the 24<sup>th</sup> Instant, was tryed Daniel Southerland, Private in the Third N. Y. Reg<sup>t</sup> for robing the Carpenters Tent, found Guilty, and sentenced to receive one hundred Lashes, well laid on his bare Back.

The General approves the Sentence, and orders it to be put in Execution at Retreat beating; also was tryed at the same Court, Dennis Sullivan, Corp<sup>l</sup> in said Reg<sup>t</sup> for declaring his Intention to desert to the Enemy, and acquitted of the Charge. The General approves the Sentence.

The Court whereof Col<sup>o</sup> Gansevoort was President, is hereby dissolved.

*Head-Quarters, Canajohary, }  
27<sup>th</sup> June, 1779. }*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

P., London.

C. S. { Lancaster.  
Lapland.

Guards as usual, from Col. Gansevoort's, with one Orderly Serj<sup>t</sup> from the Same.

Col<sup>o</sup> Gansevoorts Reg<sup>t</sup> will also furnish 1 Sub., 1 Serj<sup>t</sup>, 1 Corp<sup>l</sup>, and 20 Privates, with one Days Provision ready Cooked, to parade at Sunrise Tomorrow Morning. The Officer will apply to Cap<sup>t</sup> Porter for Instructions.

*Head-*

*Head-Quarters, Cannojobary Creek, }  
June 28, 1779. }*

General Orders. Parole, Minden.  
C. Sign { Munster.  
                  { Mifflin.

Guards as usual from Col<sup>o</sup> Gansevoorts, with one Orderly Serj<sup>t</sup> from the Same.

*Head-Quarters, Cannojobary Creek, }  
June 29, 1779. }*

General Orders. Parole, Norwork.  
C. Sign { Northampton.  
                  { Norwich.

Captain of the Day Tomorrow from Col<sup>o</sup> Gansevoorts, Adj<sup>t</sup> Hutton. One Orderly Serj<sup>t</sup> to attend on the General, from the Same.

One Sub., 1 Serj<sup>t</sup>, 1 Corp<sup>l</sup>, and 20 Privates, will parade this Morning with the Guards, to escort the Hospital Stores as far as Col<sup>o</sup> Wifensfelts, who will relieve them as far as Col<sup>o</sup> Butlers, who will furnish another Escort, to proceed with them to Otsego Lake. The Officer will apply to the Surgeons, to know when their Stores are ready to proceed.

*Camp, Cannojobary Creek, }  
June 30, 1779. }*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders. Parole, Washington.  
C. Sign { Sullivan.  
                  { Polasky.

Captain of the Day, Tomorrow, from Col. Gansevoorts, Adj. Hutton.

For

For Guard,	Sub.,	Serj <sup>t</sup> ,	Corp <sup>l</sup> ,	D. and F.	Priv <sup>ts</sup> .
	2	3	3	2	60

To be ready to parade at the Beating of the Gen<sup>l</sup>, which will be a Signal to strike the Tents, load the Waggon, and prepare for the March. The Troops will for that Purpose, have every Thing ready at a Minutes Warning.<sup>1</sup>

*Head-*

<sup>1</sup> The accumulation of Stores, and the Formalities and Delays that attended the Movement of Gen. Clinton, were most decidedly disapproved by the Commander-in-Chief, who thought that a rapid March, with but a slight Encumbrance, would more certainly secure the desired Ends. In a Letter to Gen. Sullivan, dated at New Windsor, July 1<sup>st</sup>, 1779, Gen. Washington says:

“I have just received a Letter from General Clinton at Canajoharie, which has filled me with inexpressible Concern, as I apprehend the worst Consequences to the Expedition under your Command, from the Measures that have been pursued there. My Intentions, which I thought sufficiently explained and known to you, was, that the Troops under the Command of General Clinton, should be at Canajoharie and in the Vicinity with Boats ready to proceed up the Mohawk River, or across to Otsego, as you should, under a full Consideration of all Circumstances and Information resolve on: and that, if the latter should be the Choice, he should move rapidly over, quite Light, with a sufficient Stock of Provisions and Stores only, to serve him till he could form his Junction with you at Tioga, where every Thing was to be provided.

“Instead of this he had transported, and by the last Accounts was transporting, Provisions and Stores for his whole Brigade three Months, and two hundred and twenty or thirty Batteaux to receive them; by which Means, in the Place of having his Design concealed till the Moment of Execution, and forming his Junction with you, in a Manner by Surprise, it is announced. The Enemy are watching him, and instead of moving light, rapidly, and undiscovered, he goes encumbered with useless

*Head-Quarters, South End Lake Otsego, }  
2<sup>d</sup> July, 1779. }*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

P.

C. S.

One Major, one Capt<sup>t</sup>, two Subalterns, four Serj<sup>ts</sup>, four Corporals, and one hundred and twenty Men to parade Tomorrow Morning at Reveillie Beat, in order to go to the north End of the Lake, to transport Provisions to this Place. Major Church<sup>1</sup> to command this Party, and will put but three Men in each Boat.

Cap<sup>t</sup>

Supplies, and has his Defence weakened by the Attention he must pay to his Convoy and the Length of his Line, at a Time when more than probably, the whole Force of the Enemy will be employed to oppose him. I did not Expressly require that General Clinton, in case of his forming a Junction with you at Tioga, should proceed without Provisions and Stores ; but from the whole Scope and Tenor of our several Conversations on this Subject, the Difficulties and Dangers that were apprehended in the Route, the Preparations making for the whole Force on the Susquehanna, and other Circumstances, I had not a Doubt of its being fully understood, and I took it for granted, when he was placed under your Orders, that he would have been instructed accordingly."

Notwithstanding this severe Censure, and the Foreboding of Disaster in which the Commander-in-Chief indulged, the Event proved that Nothing unfavorable resulted, and that from the extraordinary Delays in supplying the main Branch of the Expedition by way of Wyoming, the Supplies from the Susquehanna proved in the highest degree Valuable.

<sup>1</sup> Thomas Church, who had formerly been a Captain in Col. Wayne's Pennsylvania Battalion, where he was commissioned Jan. 5, 1776.

	Capt.	Sub.,	Serjt,	Corpl,	D <sup>m</sup> Fife,	Priv <sup>ts</sup> .
3 <sup>d</sup> N. Y.,	1	2	1	2		83
4 <sup>th</sup> Penn <sup>a</sup>			3	2		37
	—	—	—	—		—
	1	2	4	4		120

## Detail for Guards :

	C.	S.	S.	C.	D.	F.	Privates.
3 N. Y.,	1	2	4	3	1	1	65
4 Penn <sup>a</sup>		1	2	4			34
	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	1	3	6	7	1	1	99

Field Officer for the Day, to Morrow, Lieut<sup>t</sup>  
Col<sup>l</sup> Butler, Adjutant Hutton.

July 3<sup>d</sup> 1779.

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

P.

C. S.

Field Officer for the Day, Tomorrow, Col<sup>l</sup>  
Dubois, Adjutant Dodge.

An Orderly Serjt<sup>t</sup> from the Same, to attend the  
Gen<sup>l</sup>.

A Detachment from the Rifle Corps to be  
ready to March, at twelve O'Clock this Day, with  
one Days Provision, as follows :

Sub.,	Serjt,	Corpl,	Privates.
1	2	2	30

Major Parr will advise with the Gen<sup>l</sup> for Instruc-  
tions for the Same.

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Detail

## Detail for Guards:

	C., Sub., Serjt, Corp <sup>l</sup> , D. and F., Privates.						
3 <sup>d</sup> N. Y.	1	2	2				33
4 <sup>th</sup> Do.	2	2	2				32
5 <sup>th</sup> Do.	1	1	2	0	1	1	36
4 <sup>th</sup> Penn <sup>a</sup>			1	3			19
Total,	1	4	7	7	1	1	120

The different Adjutants are referred to Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders of the 18<sup>th</sup> of June, for the Beat of the Drums, and when to parade the Guards.

The commanding Officers of the different Regiments and Corps in Camp will make immediate Returns of the Troops under their Command as follows:

1<sup>st</sup>. A gen<sup>l</sup> Return of the State and Strength of their respective Regiments, fit and unfit for Duty, &c.

2<sup>d</sup>. A separate Return of the number of Women, Children, Servants, &c.

3<sup>dly</sup>. A Return of Arms, Accoutrements, and Ammunition on hand, good, bad, and wanting.

4<sup>thly</sup>. A Return of Cloathing and Necessaries, good, bad, and wanting.

5<sup>thly</sup>. A Return of Camp Equipage, viz: Camp Kettles, Axes, Hatchets, Tents, &c., allowing one Tent for every six Men, Drums and Fifes included, and one Tent for the Serjeants of each Comp<sup>y</sup>.

The Commissaries and Q<sup>r</sup> M<sup>rs</sup> will also make a Return of all the Stores they have on Hand, good, bad, and wanting, viz: in the Commissaries Department, Liquors, Bread, Flour, Pork, Beef, &c.

The

The Q<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> and Brigade Q<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup>, will make a Return of all the Stores in their Departments, good, bad, and wanting, boats, &c.

The commanding Officers of the several Parties of Volunteers, will make a Return of their Numbers, Arms, Accoutrements, Ammunition, Camp Equipage, &c.

The Conductor of Military Stores, will likewise make a Return of the Stores belonging to his Department.

All the above Returns, to be given to the Dep<sup>y</sup> Adjutant Gen<sup>l</sup>, the soonest possible.

#### After Orders.

A Detachment of one Major, 2 Cap<sup>ts</sup>, two Sub<sup>s</sup>, six Serj<sup>t</sup>, six Corp<sup>l</sup>, and 150 Privates, to cross the Lake Tomorrow Morning at Revellie Beating, Major Cochran is for this Duty, he will take 50 Boats from this Place, and have them loaded with Provisions and Stores, under the Direction of Q<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Douw, after which he is to return to this Place the soonest possible.

Detail,	Cap <sup>ts</sup> ,	Sub.,	Serj <sup>t</sup> ,	Corp <sup>l</sup> ,	Privates.
3 <sup>d</sup> N. York,	1	1	2	1	42
4 Do.	1		1	2	40
5 Do.			2	1	44
4 Penn <sup>a</sup>		1	1	2	24
	—	—	—	—	—
Total,	2	2	6	6	150

*Head-*

*Head-Quarters, Otsego Lake, }  
4<sup>th</sup> July, 1779.*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.            P.  
                                  C. C.

Field Officer for the Day, Tomorrow, L<sup>t</sup> Col<sup>l</sup> Weisenfels, Adjutant Ellsworth.<sup>1</sup>

1 Orderly Serj<sup>t</sup> from the 4<sup>th</sup> N. Y. Reg<sup>t</sup>, to attend Head-Q<sup>rs</sup>.

Guards as usual.

	Capt, Sub., Serj <sup>t</sup> , Corp <sup>l</sup> , D. and F. Prv <sup>ts</sup> .					
3 <sup>d</sup> N. York,	1	1	2			34
4 N. York,	2	2	2	2		31
5 N. York,		2	2			35
4 Penn <sup>a</sup> ,	1	1	2	1		20
	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total,	1	4	7	7	2	120

For the Future, the Drum and Fife Majors, are to be detailed by Turns, to come to the Parade, Daily two Drums and two Fifes from each Reg<sup>t</sup>, to attend on the Grand Parade, at the mounting of the Guards, exclusive of those on Duty.

This Day being the Anniversary of the Independence of America, the Gen<sup>l</sup> is pleased to order, that all the Troops under his Command, should draw a Jill of Rum per Man, extraordinary, in Memory of that happy Event.

The different Q<sup>r</sup> M<sup>rs</sup> of Reg<sup>ts</sup>, will make their  
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<sup>1</sup> Peter Ellsworth, was a Lieutenant in the Fourth New York Battalion, and was detailed to act as Adjutant in this Expedition.



Returns to the Commissary of Issues, accordingly, about 12 O'Clock and deliver it out to their respective Reg<sup>ts</sup>.

At 1 O'Clock this Afternoon, a fatigue Party, composed of 4 Capt<sup>s</sup>, 4 Sub., 8 Serj<sup>ts</sup>, 200 Rank and File will assemble in the usual Place of Parade in Front of the Camp, with Hatchets, or Axes to clear the Ground of the Bushes, and other Inconveniences, which are thereon for the Purpose of parading the Army, for the (fue De Joye). Lieu<sup>t</sup> Col<sup>l</sup> Willett will take Command of the above party.

	Detail,	Capt,	Sub.,	Serjt,	Corp <sup>l</sup> ,	Privates.
3 N. Y.,		1	2	1	3	56
4 Do.			1	2	2	54
5 Do.		1	1	3	1	58
4 Penn <sup>a</sup>				2	2	32
		—	—	—	—	—
Total,		2	4	8	8	200

The commanding Officers of Reg<sup>ts</sup>, will see that an Inspection of the Ammunition in their respective Reg<sup>ts</sup> be made through the different Companies, and if there is any spoiled Catridjes, 3 of them will be allowed to every soldier for the fue de Joye, in Lieu of which, those who shall not be provided, the different Q<sup>r</sup> M<sup>rs</sup> will make a Return to the Conductor of Military Stores, to be supplied with spoiled or blank Catridges, three per Man.

The Troops now in Camp, will parade for that Purpose. In front of the Encampment at  $\frac{1}{2}$  past three this Afternoon, in one Line from Right to  
Left,

Left, each Battalion will take Place as they are now encamped, viz: Col<sup>l</sup> Butler's Detachment on the Right, Col. Gansevoort's on the Left, Col<sup>l</sup> Weisenfels on the Right next to Col<sup>l</sup> Butler's, who will close the right Wing, and Col<sup>l</sup> Duboy's on the Right of Col<sup>l</sup> Gansevoorts, who close the Left Wing. The Train of Artillery to be devided on the Right of both Wings, after the (fue De Joye) is finished, a Sermon will be preached by the Brigade Chaplain, on this happy Event.<sup>1</sup>

And it is the Gen<sup>ls</sup> Pleasure, that the Troops under his Command will assemble at 7 O'Clock every Evening, while we remain in this Place, upon the Grand Parade for Prayers.

The Gen<sup>l</sup> expects that the Troops will be as clean as possible, and begs that every Officer will exert himself on that Subject.

*Independance,*

<sup>1</sup> The Rev. John Gano, a Baptist Clergyman in N. Y. City when the War broke out, was commissioned by Congress, Aug. 18, 1778, as Chaplain in Clinton's Brigade. He accompanied the Expedition down the Susquehanna, and in reference to the Events noticed in the Text, remarks as follows:

"We encamped at Otsego for five or six Weeks previous to our receiving Orders for marching. We lay here on the fourth of July, and the Officers insisted on my preaching, which I did, from these words: "*This Day shall be a Memorial unto you throughout your Generation.*" On this occasion the Soldiery behaved with the most decency that I ever knew them to, during the War. Some of them usually absented themselves from Worship on Lord's Day, and the only Punishment they were subjected to, was the Indignity of digging up Stumps, which in some instances had a good Effect.

*Independance, 1779.*

After Orders.

A Party of one Capt<sup>t</sup>, 3 Sub<sup>s</sup>, 3 Serj<sup>ts</sup>, 3 Corp<sup>ls</sup>, and 100 Privates to parade Tomorrow Morning at Rellie Beat, to cross the Lake, to transport Provisions &c., to this Place, the Officer commanding the Detachment will apply to the Adj<sup>t</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> for farther Instructions.

This Party will take five Boats.

Detail,	C.,	Sub.,	Serj <sup>t</sup> ,	Corp <sup>l</sup> ,	Privates.
3 <sup>d</sup> N. York,			1	1	27
4 N. York,		1	1	1	26
5 N. York,	1	1			29
4 Penn <sup>a</sup> ,		1		1	18
	—	—	—	—	—
Total,	1	3	3	3	100

*Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders, Otsego Lake, }  
5 July, 1779. }*

P.

C. S.

Field Officer for the Day, Tomorrow, Lieut Col<sup>e</sup> Willett, Adjutant White.

An Orderly Serj<sup>t</sup> from the 6<sup>th</sup> Massachusetts Reg<sup>t</sup> to attend Head-Quarters.

The Front Line to be off Duty Tomorrow, and the Guards will be detailed from the 2<sup>d</sup> Line.

Guards,

Guards,	C.,	S.,	S.,	C.,	D and F.,	Privates.
4 <sup>th</sup> N. Y.,		2	3	2		39
5 <sup>th</sup> Do.		1	2	3		43
6 <sup>th</sup> Ma <sup>ss</sup>	1	1	2	2	2	38
	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total,	1	4	7	7	2	120

Col<sup>l</sup> Butler's Detachment and Col<sup>l</sup> Gansevoort's Reg<sup>t</sup> will be reviewed Tomorrow, viz: Col<sup>l</sup> Butler's at  $\frac{1}{2}$  past 9 in the Morning.

Col<sup>l</sup> Gansevoorts at 11 O'Clock. The Adjutants of the above Reg<sup>ts</sup> are to call on the Dep<sup>y</sup> Adjutant Gen<sup>l</sup> at 4 O'Clock P. M. for Instructions for the Formation of their respective Regiments at the Review.

The Commiffary of Issues, Mr Woodman, will for the Future, issue Provisions to Col<sup>l</sup> Butler's Detachment, and late Alden's, Commiffary Post to the N. York Troops.

The Gen<sup>l</sup> expressly forbids that any more Boats should be taken from the Landing to go a fishing. As the Q<sup>r</sup> Mr Gen<sup>l</sup> must get the Number of them and make a Return to Head-Q<sup>rs</sup> Tomorrow Morning.

The several Returns mentioned in the Order of the 2<sup>d</sup> Instant to be delivered in this Afternoon.

The Officers commanding Regiments or separate Corps, will observe that a Report of their Sick, Wounded, &c., &c., be made by the Serj<sup>ts</sup> of the respective Squads every Morning, to the Surgeon, that is or may be affixed to them, to enable the Regimental Surgeons to make their Reports every

every Monday and Thursday Morning to Dr Mc Crea, principle Surgeon with the Army, this Order to be strictly observed.

After Orders.

1 Serjt, 1 Corp<sup>l</sup>, and twelve Men to be detailed in Augmentation to the present Guards, who will take care of the Boats, and suffer none to be taken from Head Q<sup>rs</sup> the Landing, without a Pass from Head Q<sup>rs</sup> or the A. Q<sup>r</sup> Mr Gen<sup>l</sup>. The above Guard will be mounted immediately, and be relieved Tomorrow by an equal Number.

Detail,	S.	C.	P.
4 N. Y.,		1	4
5 Do.			4
6 M.	1	0	4
	—	—	—
Total,	1	1	12

For Tomorrow :

	S.	C.	P.
4 N. Y.,			3
5 Do.	1		5
6 M.		1	4
	—	—	—
Total,	1	1	12

Two Subalterns, two Serjts, 2 Corp<sup>ls</sup> and 30 Privates, with one Days Provision ready cooked, will hold themselves in readines to go to the north End of the Lake, this Party will march at Revellie Beating, the Officer commanding it, will receive Instructions at Head Q<sup>rs</sup>.

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Detail

Detail,	S.	S.	C.	Privates.
4 N. Y.,	1	1	1	10
5 Do.			1	11
6 M <sup>ts</sup> ,	1	1		9
	—	—	—	—
Total,	2	2	2	30

A Return of Muskets wanting for the Officers in the several Regiments, is to be made up this Afternoon, to the Dep<sup>y</sup> Adjutant Gen<sup>l</sup>.

The Gen<sup>l</sup> requests that the Soldiers under his Command, will take care not to insult the Indians who are in Camp, nor crowd about them, for if any Compl<sup>ts</sup> are made, he will be under the Necessity of punishing the Delinquents.<sup>1</sup>

*Head-Quarters, Otsego Lake, }  
6<sup>th</sup> July, 1779.<sup>2</sup> }*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

P.

C. S.

Field Officer for the Day, Tomorrow, Major Cochran, Adjutant Bos.

1 Orderly

<sup>1</sup> Mr. James Deane arrived in Camp on the Date of this Order, with thirty-five Oneida Warriors. Their Object was to apologize for the Absence of their Brethren, in Consequence of a threatened Invasion of their Country from Canada. The Speeches upon this Occasion, will be found in Stone's *Life of Brant*, ii, p. 10; and a Translation of General Haldimand's threatening Letter to the Oneidas, at Page 8 of the same Volume.

<sup>2</sup> The following Letter was addressed by Gen. Clinton to his Brother, Gov. George Clinton, on this Date.

*"Camp, on the South End of Otsego Lake, }  
July 6, 1779. }*

"DEAR BROTHER:

"I have the Pleasure to inform you that I am now at this Place, with two hundred and eight Boats, with all the Stores,

1 Orderly Serj<sup>t</sup> to attend the Gen<sup>l</sup>, from Coll Gansevoorts.

Detail for Guard Tomorrow :

	C.,	S.,	S.,	C.,	D.,	Privates.
3 N. Y.,		3	4	4		85
4 Pena.,	1	1	4	4	2	47
	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total,	1	4	8	8	2	132

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Provisions, and Baggage of the Army ; and I am well convinced that such a Quantity of each hath never before been transported over so bad a Road in so short a Time and with less Accidents, so that I am now in the most Readiness to move down the Susquehanna, whenever I receive General Sullivan's Orders for that Purpose. I have thrown a Dam across the Outlet, which I conceive will be of infinite Importance, as it has raised the Lake at least two Feet, by which the Boats may be taken down with less Danger than otherwise, although, from the intricate Winding of the Channel, I expect to meet some Difficulties on the Way. It is uncertain when I shall leave this Place.

“I received a Letter from General Sullivan yesterday, dated at Wyoming July 1<sup>st</sup>, in which he informs me that he was anxiously waiting the Arrival of his Stores from Sunbury, that he expected them daily, that it was determined in Council that that Army should proceed almost as far as Tioga previous to my leaving the Lake, as by that Means he might make a Diversion in my Favor, and facilitate my Movements down the River. This I imagine to be in Consequence of a Letter which he probably has received from General Washington, and one I received from him dated the first instant, in which his Excellency expresses his Surprise at my taking so much Stores with me, when it was determined that all the Supplies of the Army should come up with General Sullivan, and that Nothing more should be brought with me than was absolutely necessary for the Troops until the Junction was formed at Tioga. However, as it was General Sullivan's Orders to bring what Provision I could, and as his Excellency added in his Letter to me that it was not his

The second Line will be off Duty, Tomorrow, and the Guards detailed from the front Line.

The 4<sup>th</sup> N. Y. Reg<sup>t</sup> to be reviewed at nine O'Clock Tomorrow Morning, the 6<sup>th</sup> Massachusetts at  $\frac{1}{2}$  past ten, and the 5<sup>th</sup> N. Y. Reg<sup>t</sup> at  $\frac{1}{2}$  past twelve.

The Men are to appear with their Arms, &c., as cleanly as possible.

For the Future the Adjutants of the different Reg<sup>ts</sup> will inspect very minutely into the Situation of the Mens Arms and Ammunition, before they bring them on the Grand Parade for Guard, each Man must have the Holes in his Catridge Box, full of Catridges at least, and those who are under the necessity of carrying them in their Pockets or otherwise, must not appear with less than nineteen, as the B. Major, cannot accept of any Man who is not furnished with that Complement.

A Gen<sup>l</sup> Court of Enquiry to sit Tomorrow, at any Place where Col<sup>l</sup> Butler shall think proper, to enquire into the Cause of Cap<sup>t</sup> Wool<sup>l</sup> of the Artillery, and Cap<sup>t</sup> Jansen<sup>2</sup> of the 3<sup>d</sup> N. Y. Reg.,  
being

Intention to contravene any Orders I may receive from General Sullivan, I ordered the whole to be forwarded to this Place; which I have happily effected, and of which I do not repent, as I believe I shall fall short of many Articles."

<sup>1</sup> Capt. Josiah Wool commanded the 6th Company of New York Artillery. He was tried and acquitted on the 13th Instances. The Circumstances of his Arrest will be found in Detail under that Date, in a subsequent Page of this Volume.

<sup>2</sup> Cornelius T. Jansen, was appointed a Captain, Nov. 21, 1776, and served through the War. He belonged to the 3d N. Y. Battallion.



being in Arrest. The Court will make Report of their Proceedings to Head-Quarters.

All Parties concerned, are requested to attend.

Colonel Butler will preside.

Lieut<sup>t</sup> Col<sup>l</sup> Weisenfels,

Major Parr,

Cap<sup>t</sup> Tudor,

Cap<sup>t</sup> Smith, Members.

*Head-Quarters, Otsego Lake, }  
July 7<sup>th</sup> 1779.*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

P.

C. S.

Field Officer for the Day, Tomorrow, Major Whiting, Adjutant Hutton.

One Orderly Serjeant from Col<sup>l</sup> Gansevoorts, to attend Head Q<sup>rs</sup>.

Guards for Tomorrow :

	Cap <sup>t</sup> ,	Sub.,	Serj <sup>t</sup> ,	Corpl,	D. and F.	Prv <sup>ts</sup> .
3 <sup>d</sup> N. York,	1	1	2	0	2	36
4 Do.,		2	2	1		27
5 Do.,			2	2		28
4 Penn <sup>a</sup>			1	3		16
6 Maf <sup>ts</sup>		1	1	2		25
	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total,	1	4	8	8	2	132

For Command Tomorrow Morning at Sunrise with three Days Provision ready cooked. One Cap<sup>t</sup>, one Sub., two Serj<sup>ts</sup>, and fifty Rank and File.

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The Captain to apply this Afternoon to the General. He will also apply for Tools to Mr. Dow, Assistant D. Q. Master Gen<sup>l</sup>. The Corps of Rifle Men, will furnish fifty Men, Officers included, as a Guard to the above party.

The Volunteers in Camp, commanded by Captains Harper and Putnam, will go with the fatigue Party as Guides. The whole to be furnished with three Days Provisions. Also well armed and accoutered.

Detail for Command Tomorrow :

	C.	S.	S.	C.	Privates.
3 N. York,	1	0	1	0	14
4 Do.,	0	1	1	0	10
5 Do.,	0	0	0	0	10
4 Penn <sup>a</sup>	0	0	0	1	7
6 M <sup>ts</sup>	0	0	0	1	9
	—	—	—	—	—
Total,	1	1	2	2	50

Head-Qu<sup>rs</sup> Otsego Lake, }  
July 8<sup>th</sup> 1779. }

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

Parole.

C. S.

Field Officer for the Day, Tomorrow, Col. Gansevoort, Adjutant Dodge.

One Orderly Serj<sup>t</sup> from the 4<sup>th</sup> Pennsylvania Reg<sup>t</sup> to attend Head Q<sup>rs</sup>.

Guards as usual.

C.,

	C.,	S.,	S.,	C.,	D.,	F.,	Privates.
3 N. Y.,	0	1	2	2	0		35
4 Do.,	1	1	2	1	0		27
5 Do.,	0	1	0	2	2		28
4 Penn <sup>a</sup> ,	0	0	2	2	0		18
6 Mas <sup>ts</sup> ,	0	1	2	1	0		24
	—	—	—	—	—		—
Total,	1	4	8	8	2		132

An account of the number of Boats being taken from the Landing every Day, the Gen<sup>l</sup> desires that the A. Q. M<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> will select two Boats for each of the Regiments, and one for the Corps of Artillery for the same Purpose, and will require the Boats to be brought back under the Care of the Batteau Guard every Evening, and no more than the above Number will be allowed upon any Pre-  
tence.

The Practice of swimming in the middle of the Day, is so evidently prejudicial to the Health of the Soldiers, that the Gen<sup>l</sup> wishes to put an immediate stop to it.

He therefore orders that no Soldier presumes to Swim or Bath after the beating of the Troop. Those who are desirous to wash themselves, must go in the Water before that Time, which will answer every good Purpose they can Desire.

The Centinels on the Bank of the Lake, will observe that a strict Attention be paid to these Orders.

The Q<sup>r</sup> M<sup>rs</sup> of the respective Regiments or Corps now on the Ground, will immediately see  
that

that a sufficient Number of Necessary Holes be dug in the most convenient Places for their Reg<sup>ts</sup>, which are to be covered every Morning, and if any Soldier shall be found easing himself at any other Place, he shall be severely punished.

The Commiffary Gen<sup>l</sup> will deliver to each Commiffioned, or Staff Officer on the Ground, one two-gallon Kegg of Rum, upon a Return signed by the Officer commandg the Reg<sup>t</sup> or Corps, or the Principle of the Department to which they belong, after which no Returns for Officers to be answered, until further Orders.

*Head-Quarters, Otsego Lake, }  
9<sup>th</sup> July, 1779.*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

Parole.

C. Sign.

Field Officer for the Day, Tomorrow, Col<sup>l</sup> Duboys, Adjutant Elsworth.

An Orderly Serjeant from Col<sup>l</sup> Weisenfels to attend Head-Quarters.

Guards as usual.

	Capt. Sub., Serj <sup>ts</sup> , Corp <sup>l</sup> , D. and F., Priv <sup>ts</sup> .					
3 <sup>d</sup> N. Y.,	0	1	1	2	0	36
4 N. Y.,	0	1	1	2	2	28
5 N. Y.,	1	0	2	1	0	23
4 Penn <sup>a</sup>	0	1	2	1	0	19
6 Maf <sup>ts</sup>	0	1	2	2	0	26
	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total,	1	4	8	8	2	132

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All the Drums and Fifes of the Army, are to practice together every Day, at the usual Hours on the Grand Parade. The Drum and Fife Majors, who have the Superintendency of the Music at Guard mounting, will attend particularly to this Business, untill further Orders, and it is ordered that a uniform Mode be adopted throughout the whole. In the beating of Marches, a little more Time (than has hitherto been practiced) must be observed.

For the Future the Drum and Fife Majors, of the Day will be furnished from the same Regiment, that the Adjutant of the Day belongs.

Lost in Camp, an oval Paiste Knee Buckle, any Person who may have found it, and will return it to the Brigade Major, will be handsomely rewarded.

The Drum Major of the 3<sup>d</sup> N. Y. Reg<sup>t</sup>, and the Fife Major of the 6<sup>th</sup> Massachusetts, will collect the Names of all the Drums and Fifes in the different Regiments, and keep a Regular Roster of the Whole.

*Head-Qu<sup>rs</sup> Otsego Lake, }  
10<sup>th</sup> July, 1799. }*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

Parole.

C. Sign.

Field Officer for the Day, Tomorrow, Lt Col<sup>l</sup> Willett, Adjutant White.

An Orderly Serjeant from the 5<sup>th</sup> N. Y. Reg<sup>t</sup> to attend Head-Qu<sup>rs</sup>.

Guards as usual.

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The Commanding Officers of Regiments will see their respective Regiments exercised by Companies every Day, while we remain on this Ground, from five O'Clock in the Afternoon untill Prayer Time, and the Recruits and nine Months Men to be exercised twice a Day, from six in the Morning untill Roll Call, proper Officers will be selected for that Purpose by the commanding Officers of Reg<sup>ts</sup>. The Adjutants will take a Copy of the Chapter, for the Instruction of Recruits, to Day at Orderly Time, and see it properly put in Practice.

The Drum Major of the 3<sup>d</sup> N. Y. Reg<sup>t</sup> and the Fife Major of the 6<sup>th</sup> Massachusetts, will act as Drum and Fife Major to the Brigade. They will always attend at the parading of Guards, &c. They will see that all the Drums and Fifes in Camp, regularly attend practising, and instruct them particularly in the Time that is to be observed in beating of Marches.

*July 10<sup>th</sup> 1779.*

After Orders.

One Serjeant, one Corporal, and 12 Privates will be added to the Detail for Guard Tomorrow, as a Provost Guard.

The Gen<sup>l</sup> expressly forbids any Soldiers to go out of the Line of the Camp, without a writing Order from him, and the Officers of the different Guards, are to Instruct their Sentries accordingly. For the Future, the Officers of the Day, will confine any Non-Commissioned Officer or Soldiers who shall be found missing on their Post,

Post, and the Officers commanding the different Guards will be carefull not to give leave of Absence to any, as they will be answerable for any Neglect.

*Head-Qu<sup>rs</sup> Camp, Otsego Lake, }  
11 July, 1779.<sup>1</sup>*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

Parole.

C. Sign.

Field Officer for the Day, Tomorrow, Major Cochran, Adjutant Bofs.

An Orderly Serjeant from 6<sup>th</sup> Massachusetts, to attend Head-Q<sup>rs</sup>.

Detail

<sup>1</sup> LETTER FROM GENERAL SULLIVAN TO GENERAL CLINTON.

*"Head-Quarters, Wyoming, }  
"July 11th, 1779.*

"DEAR SIR:

"I am this Moment favoured with yours of the 6<sup>th</sup> Instant. Am happy to find you in such perfect Readiness. I have been disappointed and delayed respecting Provisions and Stores in the most surprising Manner. I hope, however, to march in a few Days, and shall notify you in the Manner you Mention, also Governor Clinton. It is agreed in Council this Army is to reach Tioga by the Day prefixed for your March, that we may be ready to march up the Susquehannah to meet and cover you in case we find the Enemy leading their Force against you, which I have great Reason to expect. Gen. Washington has wrote me as he has you, but I have undeceived him by showing him that in Case you depended on our Magazine for Stores, we must all starve together, as the Comissaries have deceived us in every Article. You will therefore bring forward the Provision I directed. I thank you for the Intelligence contained in your Letter, &c.

[Copy.]

"I am, &c.,

"JNO. SULLIVAN.

"Gen<sup>l</sup> Clinton."

## Details of Guard :

C.,	S.,	S.,	C.,	D. and F.,	Privates.
1	4	9	9	2	144

*Camp, Otsego Lake, }  
12 July, 1779. }*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

Parole.

C. Sign.

Field Officer for to Morrow, Major Whiting,  
Adjutant Hutton.

An Orderly Serj<sup>t</sup> from 4<sup>th</sup> Pennsylvania, to at-  
tend Head-Q<sup>rs</sup>.

## Detail of Guard :

Capt,	Sub.,	Serj <sup>t</sup> ,	Corp <sup>l</sup> ,	D. and F.,	Privates.
1	4	9	9	2	144

For the Future the Commiffaries will not issue  
Provision to any Reg<sup>t</sup> or Corps, unless the Returns  
are signed by the commanding Officer of the  
Same.

No more than three Pounds of Candles per  
hundred Men for Guards per Week will be issued.

The Officers of the Army are not to draw Rum  
with the Regimental Returns untill further Orders.

The Regimental Q<sup>r</sup> M<sup>rs</sup> will attend on Com-  
missary Pratt this Afternoon at Orderly Time, to  
take a Copy of a Model how to make their Pro-  
vision Returns.

No Provision to be issued to the Voluntiers un-  
less the Returns are signed by Cap<sup>t</sup> Harper.

*Camp,*



Camp, Otsego Lake, }  
 July 13<sup>th</sup> 1779. }

General Orders.

Parole.

C. Sign.

Field Officer of the Day for Tomorrow, Col<sup>o</sup>  
 Dubois.

An Orderly Serjeant to attend the General from  
 the 4<sup>th</sup> Penn<sup>a</sup>.

Detail of Guards :

Captain, Subal<sup>s</sup>, Serj<sup>ts</sup>, Corpl<sup>s</sup>, D. and F., Privates.

1	4	9	9	2	144
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The different Adjutants will take a Copy of the  
 Words of Command for the Manual Exercise, to  
 Day, at Orderly Time, and will see that their re-  
 spective Regiments does not swerve in the smallest  
 Point, from the Rules established.

All the Guards brought upon the Grand Parade,  
 from the different Regiments, will be regularly  
 sized, before their arrival there, by the Adjutants,  
 or they will be answerable for that Neglect.

At a Court of Enquiry, whereof Col<sup>l</sup> Butler  
 was President, an Examination was made into  
 Cap<sup>t</sup> Wool's Arrest, and the Court report as fol-  
 lows :

They are unanimous in their Opinions

1<sup>st</sup>. That Cap<sup>t</sup> Wool, and the other Gentlemen,  
 who discharged their Fire Arms were guilty of  
 Imprudence.

But as the Officer of the Day was present, they  
 did not imagine the Camp would be alarmed, as

He

He is a Gentleman of unblemished Character, both as a Soldier and a Man of Honor, we think he was ill used by being put in Arrest.

2<sup>dly</sup>. That Major Whiting was in the Line of his Duty in turning out his Regiment, and sending to know the Cause of the firing. But when he was informed of the Cause, and knew it was not intended to alarm the Camp, but an unthinking Piece of Myrth, we think he did not pay that Respect which is due from one Gentleman to Another, in putting Cap<sup>t</sup> Wool in close Arrest.

3<sup>dly</sup>. That Adju<sup>t</sup> White was guilty of ungentleman like Behaviour, in making use of low, illiberal and scandalous Language, after he was informed, who the Gentlemen were that fired; and that he was out of the Line of his Duty in turning out the Guard, and threatening to fire on the Boats, the Officer of the Day being present, and forbidding him so to do.

The Gen<sup>l</sup> approves of the aboves and orders Cap<sup>t</sup> Wool to be released from his Arrest.

*Head-Qu<sup>rs</sup> 14 July, 1779.*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

P.

C. S.

Field Officer for to Morrow, Col. Butler, Adjutant Elsworth.

Orderly Serj<sup>t</sup> from 5<sup>th</sup> N. York.

A Piquets Guard of 2 Cap<sup>t</sup>, 4 Subs., 4 Serj<sup>ts</sup>, 4 Corp<sup>ls</sup>, 2 D. and F., and 100 Privates to parade at 5 O'Clock this Evening.

*Otsego*

*Otsego Lake, 15<sup>th</sup> July, 1779.*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders. Parole.  
C. Sign.

Field Officer for the Day, Tomorrow, Col<sup>l</sup>  
Weisenfels, Adjutant White,

An Orderly Serj<sup>t</sup> from the 4<sup>th</sup> N. York, to at-  
tend Head-Quarters.

Detail for Guards Tomorrow:

Capt, Sub., Serj<sup>t</sup>, Corp<sup>l</sup>, D. and F., Privates.

1      4      9      9      2      144

For Piquets at Roll Call this Evening:

Capt, Sub<sup>s</sup>, Serj<sup>ts</sup>, Corp<sup>ls</sup>, D. and Fife, Privates.

2      4      4      4      1      1      100

The Adjutants will deliver in their Weekly Re-  
turns on Friday Mornings, and they will observe  
to mention such Numbers of their Men, as are  
employed in Camp, and the Service they are doing,  
in Order to enable the B. Major to make a just  
Detail for the different Duties.

*Camp, Otsego Lake, }  
July 16, 1779. }*

General Orders. Parole.  
C. Sign.

Field Officer for the Day, Tomorrow, Colo<sup>o</sup>  
Butler, Adj<sup>t</sup> DuBofs.

An Orderly Serjeant to attend the General from  
the 4<sup>th</sup> Pennsylvania.

Details

Details for Guard :

Cap<sup>t</sup>, Sub., Serj<sup>ts</sup>, Corp<sup>ls</sup>, D. and F., Privates.

1      4      9      9      2      144

For Piquet Tomorrow :

Cap<sup>ts</sup>, Subs., Serj<sup>ts</sup>, Corp<sup>ls</sup>, D. and F., Priv<sup>ts</sup>.

2      4      4      4      2      100

The General Court of Enquiry, whereof Col<sup>o</sup> Butler was Prefident, is dissolved.

The Sick of the Army increasing hourly, renders it necessary that the strictest Attention be paid to their respective Wants. For which Purpose, the Regimental Surgeons will for the Future, report such Sick as they may think under an immediate Necessity to Doctor McCrea, who will take such Measures as will be most proper for their Recovery. The non-commissioned Officers and Soldiers for the Future, are not to be kept with their Regiments, under any Pretence whatever, provided they are considered as subjects for the General Hoipital, this to be determined by the Surgeons of the Hospital. Should the Sick amount to such a Number as to require the Assistance of the Regimental Surgeons in the Hospital, they are to afford it when call<sup>d</sup> upon. Each Regiment will afford its Quota of Women and Men Nurses to attend the Sick.

After the Men are sent to the Hospital, no Provisions are to be drawn for them by their Regiments. The Commissary of Issues, is to furnish the Hospital with such Provisions, as they may draw for from Time to Time. Should any of the  
Gentlemen

Gentlemen Officers be taken Sick, and continue so for some Days, they are to apply to Doctor Mc Crea, who will supply them with such Stores as they may stand in need of.

The Paymasters or Quarter Masters of every Regiment or Corps upon the Ground, will attend Tomorrow Morning at ten O'Clock, to receive their Proportion of Shirts and Stores which are in the Store.

*Camp, Otsego Lake, }  
July 17, 1779. }*

General Orders. Parole.

C. Sign.

Field Officer for the Day, Tomorrow, Major Church, Adj<sup>t</sup> Hutton.

An Orderly Serjeant to attend the General from the 3<sup>d</sup> N. York Reg<sup>t</sup>.

Details of Guard :

Cap <sup>t</sup> ,	Sub.,	Serj.,	Corp <sup>ls</sup> ,	D. and F.,	Priv <sup>ts</sup> .
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For Piquet Tomorrow :

Cap.,	Sub.,	Serj.,	Corp <sup>l</sup> ,	D. and F.,	Priv <sup>t</sup> .
2	4	4	4	2	100

On account of the bad Use that has been made by giving Liberty to the private Soldiers to go a fishing or hunting, and in Order to prevent a Repetition of the same for the Future, the General expressly forbids any more Boats to be taken from

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the Shore by any Soldier whatever, unless an Officer go with them. And the Officers commanding the different Guards are strictly charged to let no Soldier pass their Posts or Line of Centinels without an Officer be with he or them, and with a permit in writing from the General.

*Camp, Otsego Lake, }  
18 July, 1779. }*

General Orders. Parole.  
C. Sign.

Field Officer for the Day, Tomorrow, Major Parr, Adjutant Dodge.

An Orderly Serjeant from the 6<sup>th</sup> Massachusetts to attend Head-Q<sup>rs</sup>.

Guard and Piquet as usual.

For the Future, the Adjutant of Day will furnish an Orderly Serj<sup>t</sup> from the Reg<sup>t</sup> he belongs to; to attend Head-Q<sup>rs</sup>.

All the Troops on the Ground who are off Duty, will assemble at four O'Clock this Afternoon (at the Place where Piquets parades) for Divine Service, it is expected every Officer will attend.

*Camp, Otsego Lake, }  
July 19<sup>th</sup> 1779. }*

General Orders. Parole.  
C. Sign.

Field Officer for the Day, to Morrow, Major Cochran, Adjutant Elsworth.

Guards as usual.

*Camp,*

Camp, Otsego Lake, }  
20<sup>th</sup> July, 1779. }

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

P.

C. Sign.

Field Officer for to Morrow, Major Whiting,  
Adjutant White.

Guards as usual.

Camp, Otsego Lake, }  
July 21<sup>st</sup> 1779. }

General Orders.

Parole.

C. Sign.

Field Officer of the Day for Tomorrow, Col.  
Ganfevortts, Adjutant Bofs.

Guards and Pickett as usual.

A General Court Martial to fet Tomorrow  
Morning in Camp, at such Hour and Place as the  
President shall appoint, to try such Prisonners as  
shall be brought before them.

Colonel Dubois to Prefide.

Cap<sup>ts</sup>, Sub<sup>s</sup>.

Artillery,	I	4	} Members, one of which is to act as Judge Advocate.
Rifle Core,		I	
4 <sup>th</sup> Pennsylvania,	I		
3 <sup>d</sup> N. York,	I	I	
4 <sup>th</sup> N. York,		2	
5 <sup>th</sup> N. York,	I		
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	5	8	

Camp,

*Camp, Otsego Lake, }  
July 22<sup>d</sup> 1779. }*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

Parol.

C. Signs.

Field Officer of the Day for Tomorrow, Col. Weisenfels, Adjutant Hutton.

Details of Guards and Pickett as usual.

One carefull Corporal and four Men, what understand to make Neat's Foot Oil, and render Tallow, will parade Tomorrow Morning at Sun Rise, and sent to Com<sup>y</sup> Pratt for Instructions. The Com<sup>y</sup> will apply to Captain Simpson of the Rifle Core, who will be pleased to send him a Kettle for the above Purpose.

*Camp, Otsego Lake, }  
23<sup>d</sup> July, 1779. }*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

P.

C. Signs.

Field Officer for the Day, Tomorrow, Col<sup>l</sup> Butler, Adjutant Dodge.

Guards and Piquett as usual.

The Scarcity of Rum in Camp, and the Prospect of the Fatigue which will in all Probability attend our March, down the River, has induced the Gen<sup>l</sup> to order that no more Rum be issued but in Cases of extraordinary Fatigue, of which the Field Officer of the Day will be a Judge, and by whom all Returns of that Nature will be signed.

*Camp,*



Camp, Otsego Lake, }  
24<sup>th</sup> July, 1779. }

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

P.

C. Sign.

Field Officer of the Day, to Morrow, L<sup>t</sup> Col. Willett, Adjutant Elsworth.

Guards and Piquett as usual.

At a Gen<sup>l</sup> Court Martial, held in Camp July 22, 1779, whereof Col. Duboys was President, and Lieu<sup>t</sup> Parker<sup>1</sup> Judge Advocate, was tryed: Jonathan Pine, Soldier in the 6<sup>th</sup> Massachusetts Reg<sup>t</sup>; Frederick Snyder of the 4<sup>th</sup> Pen<sup>a</sup> Reg<sup>t</sup>; and Anth<sup>y</sup> Dunnavan<sup>2</sup> of the 3<sup>d</sup> N. Y. Reg<sup>t</sup>, for Desertion, all of whom were found guilty and sentenced to be shot to death. At the same Court Martial were tried Serj<sup>t</sup> Spear of the 6<sup>th</sup> Massachusetts Reg<sup>t</sup>, and Barnard Minck of the 3<sup>d</sup> N. Y. Reg<sup>t</sup> for Desertion, found guilty, and sentenced to receive 100 Lashes each, and Spear to be reduced to a Centinel. The Gen<sup>l</sup> approves the Sentences, and orders them to be put in Execution, Spear and Mince, on the Grand Parade this Evening, at  
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<sup>1</sup> Lieut. Parker was subsequently captured and beheaded. His Remains, with those of Lieutenant Boyd, were removed to Mount Hope Cemetery, Rochester, in 1841.

<sup>2</sup> Donovan had previously deserted from the British Army, and had advised the others, who were younger than himself, to desert from Clinton's Army. The General is said to have remarked of him: "He is good for neither King nor Country." The Place of Execution, was on the west side of the Outlet, not far from the Lake. Donovan was shot July 18th.—Simms's *Schoharie County*, p. 299.

the beating of the Retreat. Pierce, Snider, and Dunnivan, are to be shot at the same Place on Monday Morning next at Guard Mounting.

At the same Court Martial was tryed Felix Christman, and acquitted of the Charge.

*Camp, Otsego Lake, }  
25<sup>th</sup> July, 1779. }*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

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C. S.

Field Officer for to Morrow, Mj<sup>r</sup> Church, Adjutant White.

Guards and Piquett as usual.

*July the 25<sup>th</sup> 1779.*

After Orders.

A Complaint has been Exhibited to the Gen<sup>l</sup> by Col. Weisenfelt, that some damaged Beef had been served to his Regiment, received from the Com<sup>y</sup> of Issues, &c., the Gen<sup>l</sup>, upon the Complaint, is pleased to order Captain Smith of the 4<sup>th</sup> N. York, Captain Rosicrans of the 5<sup>th</sup> N. York, and Captain Ballord of the 6<sup>th</sup> Massachusetts Regim<sup>ts</sup> to examine the said Beef, and Report of their Opinion to Head-Quarters as soon as possible.

*Camp, Otsego Lake, }  
26<sup>th</sup> July, 1779. }*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

P.

C. Sign.

Field Officer for the Day, Tomorrow, Major Parr, Adjutant Coleman.

Guards

Guards and Piquetts as usual.

The Execution of the three Prisoners under Sentence of Death, is defer'ed untill Wednesday Morning next.

At a Gen<sup>l</sup> Court Martial, held in Camp, July 24<sup>th</sup>, whereof Col<sup>l</sup> Duboys was President, was tryed Cap<sup>t</sup> Daniel Lane of the 6 Massachusetts Reg<sup>t</sup>, charged with ungentleman like Behaviour towards Cap<sup>t</sup> Day and other Officers of said Reg<sup>t</sup>, before Officers of their Reg<sup>ts</sup>, in saying many Things prejudicial to their Characters, likewise in saying he was broke by a scandalous Authority, of which Court the Complainant was a Member. The Court having duly considered the Evidences for and against Cap<sup>t</sup> Lane, do honorably acquit him of the Charges exhibited against him, and are further of Opinion that the Complaint was vexatious and malicious.

The Gen<sup>l</sup> highly approves the Determination of the Court, and discharges Cap<sup>t</sup> Lane from his Arrest.

Camp, Otsego Lake, }  
July 27<sup>th</sup> 1779. }

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

P.

C. Signs.

Field Officer for to Morrow, Major Cochran, Adjutant Bofs.

Guards and Piquett as usual.

The Gen<sup>l</sup> Court Martial, whereof Col<sup>l</sup> Duboys was President is dissolved.

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For Detachment to be ready to parade at a Minutes Warning, with three Days Provisions.

Col<sup>l</sup>, Cap<sup>t</sup>, Sub<sup>s</sup>, Serj<sup>ts</sup>, Corp<sup>ls</sup>, D. and F., Privates.  
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Col<sup>l</sup> Gansevoort will command the above Party and apply at Head-Q<sup>rs</sup> for Instructions.

*Camp, Otsego Lake, }  
 28<sup>th</sup> July, 1779. }*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

P.

C. S.

Field Officer for the Day, Tomorrow, Colonel Dubois, Adjutant Dodge.

Guards and Piquett as usual.

The General is incapable of expressing his feelings on the present melancholy Occasion, when he reflects that among Men who have embarked with him in a Cause, the most just that ever engaged the Attention of Mankind, who have fought and bled in the Defence of their much injured Country, the Bravery of many of whom the General himself has been an Eye Witness of, any Soldiers shou'd now be found, who so far forget their exalted Character (and notwithstanding the recent Examples which have been exhibited to their View) shou'd emmerge themselves in Crimes which disgrace Humanity, and oblige the Sword of Justice to hurry them out of the World. He is almost induced to banish any Idea of Compassion from his Breast. Nevertheless, anxious to reclaim by  
 Instances

Instances of Mercy as well as by Examples of Justice, and encouraged thereto by the warmest Intreaties of several of the Prisoners fellow Soldiers, who have pledged themselves for the future Conduct, particularly of Frederick Snyder, altho' it is not the first Time he has forfeited his Life by similar Crimes.

The General has prevailed on himself to grant a Reprieve to Frederick Snyder and Jonathan Pierce, under the strongest Assurances that their future good Behaviour will justify the Generals Conduct towards them.

He sincerely wishes the Fate of the unhappy Victim who now lies bleeding before them, whose Crimes have been of an aggravated Nature, and whose Conduct has sufficiently evinced that he was unfit to serve either *his* King or *our* Country, may have the desired Effect upon the Minds of his fellow Soldiers, and effectually prevent the disagreeable Necessity of a similar Spectacle in Future.

JAMES CLINTON.

After Orders.

A Subaltern, Serjt, Corp<sup>l</sup> and 24 Men to be ready to march Tomorrow Morning at Revellie beating with three Days Provision. The Officer commanding the Party will apply at Head-Q<sup>rs</sup> for Directions.

Pursuing to the Sentences of late General Court Martial, Anthony Dunnovan, a Soldier in the 3<sup>d</sup> New York Regiment, was executed this Morning

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on the Parade. Frederick Snyder, a Soldier in the 4<sup>th</sup> Pennsylvania Regiment and Jonathan Pierce a Soldier in the 6<sup>th</sup> Massachusetts Regiment who were condemned by the above Court, and who were to be executed this Morning, were reprieved by the General.

*Camp, Otsego Lake, }  
July 29<sup>th</sup> 1779. }*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

Parole.

C. Sign.

Field Officer for the Day, Tomorrow, Col<sup>o</sup> Wyzenfelt, Adjutant Dodge.

Details of Guard and Piquet as Yesterday.

The commissioned Officers of the Troops on the Ground, are requested to assemble on the usual Place of Parade, Tomorrow at eleven O'Clock in the Morning, in order to fix the Salute of the Sword uniformly through the Whole.

The Brigade Drum Major will send on the Parade for the above Purpose, four Drummers and four Fifers of the best he has under his Command.

The General has the Pleasure to inform the Troops under his Command of the following Intelligence received Yesterday.

EXTRACT.

*Fish Kill, July 22<sup>d</sup> 1779.*

With Pleasure we can inform the Public, that the Fort lately erected by the Brittish on Stony Point was taken between one and two in the Morning of the 16<sup>th</sup> Instant, by a detached Party  
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of our Army, under the Command of General Wayne, they marched in two Divisions, and came up with the Enemy's Piquet about one O'Clock who fired off their Pieces, gave the Alarm, and run to the Fort with all possible speed, in a short Time they blazed away from all Quarters of the Fort, our Troops were ordered to attack with fix'd Bayonets, and not fire a Gun. They advanced in quick Motion through a heavy Fire of Musquetry and Cannon.

We had about 25 Men killed, and above fifty wounded, among whom were six Officers. General Wayne received a slight Wound with a Ball above his Temples, Lieu<sup>t</sup> Col<sup>o</sup> Hay of Pennsylvania was wounded in the Thigh, and the following Officers belonging to the Eastern Troops under the Command of Col<sup>o</sup> Meigs, viz: Captain Phelps in the Arm, Cap<sup>t</sup> Selden in the Hip, badly, Lieu<sup>t</sup> Palmer in the Arm and Thigh, Ensign Hall his left Arm broke, and a Ball in his Hip, about five of the wounded Soldiers are dead or dying of their Wounds, the Rest are like to do well.

The Bravery of this Enterprize outshines any Thing of the Kind since the Commencement of the War, our Enemies themselves being Judges. Col<sup>o</sup> Fleury, who commanded the Van Guard, behaved with his usual Gallantry, and the first Man who mounted the Bastion and struck the British Flagg. All the Officers and Men behaved with unparallel'd Bravery. We took 14 Pieces of Ordinance, 700 Stand of Arms, Tents, several Hogsheads of Rum, Cheshire Cheese, Wine, and a variety

variety of Stores. The Enemy's killed were about 60 and their Wounded about the same Number. They had only one Officer killed, Captain Tire of the 17<sup>th</sup>, who was too obstinate to submit; about 400 were made Prisoners, including Col<sup>o</sup> Johnson their Commandant and 25 Officers.

Our Men have destroyed the Fort, and brought off all the Artillery and Stores. The Evening of the 20<sup>th</sup> Instant, twenty-six of the Enemy's Ships fell down the River, and their Troops, Foot and Horse, are returned as far as Terry Town.

The General further informs the Troops that our Privateers took five of six Provision Ships who were coming from England to America, to the amount of 20,000 Barrels of different Stores who are safe arrived at the eastern Ports.

*Camp, Otsego Lake, }  
July 30<sup>th</sup> 1779. }*

General Orders.

Parole.

C. Sign.

Field Officer for the Day, Tomorrow, Col<sup>o</sup> Willett, Adjutant Elsworth.

Details of Guards and and Piquet as usual.

*Head-Quarters, New Windsor, }  
July 14, 1779. }*

Congress having been pleased to pass the following Resolves :

*In Congress, July 6<sup>th</sup> 1779.*

“Resolved in Congress that in Consideration of the extra Duties and Service the Officers of the Army



Army of these States, serving as Sub. and Brigade Inspectors, be allowed the former three Rations a Day and Forage for three Horses, and the latter two Rations a Day and Forage for two Horses, in Lieu of all former Rations and Forage, both as Officers in the Line and as Inspectors, their subsistence Money as Officers in the Line to remain as heretofore."

July 4<sup>th</sup> 1779.

"The General requests the commanding Officers of those Regiments who have furnished Men for his Guard, to send without delay to the Adjutant General, Certificates of the Term of Service for which they are respectively engaged.

Extract of General Orders.

ALEXANDER SCAMMELL,

*Adj. General.*

The Exercise for the Officers Tomorrow at the same Hour.

Camp, Otsego Lake, }  
July 31, 1779. }

General Orders.

Parole.

C. Sign.

Field Officer for the Day, Tomorrow, Col. Butler, Adj<sup>t</sup> White.

Detail of Guards and Piquet as usual.

Article 3<sup>d</sup> of the Military Regulations, of relieving Guards and Centinels.

The Guards in Camp will be relieved every  
twenty-

twenty-four Hours. The Guards without the Limits of the Camp, will ordinarily be relieved in the same Manner but this must depend on the Distance from the Camp and other Circumstances which may sometimes require their continuing on Duty for several Days. In this Case, they must be previously notified to provide themselves accordingly.

The Guards are to march in the greatest Order to their respective Posts, marching by Platoons wherever the Roads will permit.

When the new Guard approaches the Post, they carry their Arms, and the Officer of the old Guard having his Guard paraded, on the approach of the new Guard commands

PRESENT ARMS.

And his Guard present their Arms.

The new Guard marches past the old Guard, and takes Post three or four Paces on its Right (both Guards fronting towards the Enemy) and the Officer commands

PRESENT ARMS.

And the new Guard present their Arms.

The two Officers then approach each other, and the Relieving Officer takes his Orders from the relieved.

Both Officers then return to their Guards, and command

SHOULDER FIRELOCK.

Non-commissioned Officers, Forward March.

The non-commissioned Officers of both Guards  
who

who are to relieve the Sentinels advance in Front of the new Guard.

The Sergeant of the new Guard then tells off as many Sentinels as are necessary, and the Corporal of the New Guard conducted by the Corporal of the old Guard, relieves the Sentinels, beginning by the Guard House. When the Sentinels sees the Relief approach, he presents his Arms, and the Corporal halting his Relief six Paces Distance, commands

PRESENT ARMS.

RECOVER ARMS.

This last Command is only for the Centinel relieving, and the one to be relieved, the former immediately approaching with the Corporal, and having received his Orders from the old Centry, takes his Place, and the Centry relieved, marches into the Ranks, placing himself on the Left of the Rear Rank.

FRONT FACE.

Both Centry's face to the Front, the Corporal then orders

SHOULDER FIRELOCK.

SUPPORT ARMS.

MARCH.

And the Relief proceeds in the same Manner 'till the whole are relieved.

If the Centinels are numerous, the Sergeants are to be employed as well as the Corporals in relieving them.

When the Corporal returns with the old Centinels,

nels, he leads them before the old Guard, and dismisses them to their Ranks.

The Officer of the old Guard then formes his Guard in the same Manner as when he mounted, and marches them in Order to Camp. As soon as he arrives in Camp, he halts, forms the Men of the different Brigades together, and sends them to their respective Brigades, conducted by a non-commiffioned Officer or careful Soldier.

When the old Guard march off, the new Guard present their Arms 'till they are gone, then Shoulder, face to the Left, and take the Place of the old Guard.

The Officer then orders a non-commiffioned Officer to take down the Mens Names of the Guard in the following Manner.

Hours they go on.	10·4	10·4	12·6	12·6	2·8	2·8
Post No. 1	Mens Names.		Mens Names.		Mens Names.	
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Suppose the Guard to consist of twenty-four Men, and to furnish eight Centinels, they are divided into three Relieves, and the Posts being numbered (beginning always with the Guard House) each Mans Name is put down against the number of the Post he will always stand Centry at during the Guard, by which means an Officer knows

knows what particular Man was at any Post, during any Hour of the Night or Day.

The Relief of Centries is always to be marched in the greatest Order, and with supported Arms. The Corporal often looking back to observe the Conduct of the Men, and if an Officer approaches he is to order his Men to handle their Arms, supports them again when he has passed.

The Corporals are to be answerable that the Centries when relieving, perform their Motions with the greatest Spirit and Exactness. A Corporal who is detected in having the Insolence to suffer the Centries to relieve each other, without his being present, shall as well as the Centry so relieved, be severely punished.

Exercise for the Officers, Tomorrow, as usual.

*July 31<sup>st</sup> 1779.*

After Orders.

For Detachment, 2 Captains, 4 Subs., 6 Sergeants, 6 Corporals, 1 Drum and Fife, and 106 Privates, to parade Tomorrow Morning at half past ten O'Clock, with three Days Provision ready cook'd, well armed and accoutred, Major Parr will command the Party, and will receive his Instructions on the Parade.

Col. Butler will in the same Time detach the half of the Riflemen under his Command, properly Officered, for the same number of Days, who are to have Provisions, and parade in the same Time.

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*Camp, Otsego Lake, }  
August 1<sup>st</sup> 1779. }*

General Orders.

Parole.

C. Signs.

Field Officer for the Day, Tomorrow, Major Church, Adjutant Coleman.

Details of Guard and Piquet as usual.

The regimental Quarter Master will see their regimental Parade well cleaned, and the Dirt burn't or buried into the Sinks. The Sinks of each Regiment must be filled up every four Days, and new ones dug up.

*Camp, Otsego Lake, }  
August 2<sup>d</sup> 1779. }*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

Parole.

C. Sign.

Field Officer for the Day, Tomorrow, Major Cochran, Adj<sup>t</sup> DuBofs.

Detail of Guards and Piquet as usual.

*Camp, Otsego Lake, }  
August 3<sup>d</sup> 1779. }*

General Orders.

Parole.

C. Sign.

Field Officer for the Day, Tomorrow, Major Whiting, Adj<sup>t</sup> Hutton.

Drum Major for Grand Parade from the 3 New York.

Details for Guard and Piquet as usual.

For Detachment Tomorrow Morning with three Days

Days Provisions ready cooked, well armed and accoutred to parade with the Guards.

2 Captains, 4 Subs., 6 Serg<sup>ts</sup>, 6 Corporals, and 106 Privates.

Major Church will Command the Party, and will receive his Instructions on the Parade.

Col. Butler will order the remaining Part of the Rifle Corps to be ready at the same Time, with Provisions accordingly, to parade with the Guards, as a Part of the above Detach<sup>mt</sup>.

Those Rifle Men who are absent and have not proved their Arms will do it Tomorrow at 3 O'Clock in the Afternoon, under the Direction of Col<sup>o</sup> Butler.

For the Future, each regimental Drum Major will exercise his own Drummers, &c., in the usual Hours, and the Brigade Major, will detail one of them by four, to attend the Parade, which one will furnish him with an orderly Drummer from the Regiment he belongs to, to beat the daily Orders.

The commanding Officers of those Regiments, whose Companies are not arranged upon the Parade according to the new Military Instructions, are to have it done without delay, and are to have their Encampment regulated accordingly.

Camp, Otsego Lake, }  
August 4, 1799. }

General Orders.

Parole.

C. Sign.

Field Officer for the Day Tomorrow, Col<sup>o</sup>  
Gansevort, Adjutant Dodge.

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A Drum Major from the 5<sup>th</sup> New York Regiment for the Grand Parade.

Details of Guard and Piquet as usual.

Regimental monthly Returns of this Army, to be given in to the Adjutant General the 6<sup>th</sup> Instant at the Grand Parade.

*Camp, Otsego Lake, }  
Aug<sup>r</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> 1779.<sup>1</sup> }*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

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C. S.

Field Officer for the Day, Tomorrow, Col<sup>l</sup> Gansevoort, Adjutant Elsworth.

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<sup>1</sup> LETTER FROM GENERAL CLINTON TO GOVERNOR GEORGE CLINTON.

• *"Lake Otsego, August 5<sup>th</sup> 1779.*

"DEAR BROTHER:

"Last Evening I was favoured with a Letter from Gen<sup>l</sup> Sullivan, dated July 30<sup>th</sup>, informing me that he determined to leave Wyoming the next Day, and requesting me to move the 9<sup>th</sup> Instant, which I shall not fail to do.

"I informed you in a former Letter that it would require about seven Days to move the Army to Anaquaga, so that it will be the 16<sup>th</sup> before I shall arrive at that Place, when I expect to meet Lt. Col. Pawling with his Detachment. If I should arrive there before him, I intend to wait for him untill the 17<sup>th</sup> Instant, and if he does not appear by that Time, I shall move on the Troops without him. However, I have not a Doubt of his punctuality, especially as I believe Gen<sup>l</sup> Sullivan has given you an Intimation of his Movements.

"I congratulate you on the success of Gen<sup>l</sup> Wayne at Stony Point, and hope to send you similar Accounts from the western World before the ensuing Winter.

"I am, Dear Brother,

"Yours affectionately,

"JAMES CLINTON.

"Gov<sup>r</sup> Clinton."

—*Clinton Papers*, No. 2472, State Library.



Drum Major for Grand Parade, from the 6<sup>th</sup> Massachusetts.

Guards and Piquett as usual.

The following is the Report of a Committee of Officers appointed to determine upon the Proceedings of the Court of Enquiry, in the Affair between Col. Duboys and Capt Jansen, of the 3 N. Y. Reg<sup>t</sup>, which Report has met the Concurrence of both Parties.

The Subscribers having convened at the particular Request of Col. Duboys and Capt Jansen, to inquire into the Cause and Nature of their Dispute,  
after

The following is a Letter from Gen. Sullivan, giving Notice of his Intention to march :

“ *Head-Quarters, Wyoming,* }  
July 30, 1779. }

“ DEAR GENERAL :

“ I with Pleasure assure you (after surmounting every Impediment to my March), that I shall leave this Tomorrow Morning.

“ I wish you to set out the 9<sup>th</sup> of next Month (marching moderately) as some Allowance is to be made for bad Weather, which will probably detain us some Time. On my arrival at Tioga, I will immediately detach a considerable Body of light Troops, to favor and secure your March.

“ I am Sir, with Respect,

“ Your very humble Servant.

“ JOHN SULLIVAN.

“ Gen<sup>l</sup> Clinton.”

—*Clinton Papers*, No. 2455, State Library.

Lieut. Col. Levi Pawling, received Orders on the 5<sup>th</sup> to March from Ulster County, so as to join Gen. Clinton at Onaquaga on the 16<sup>th</sup>. He was to leave Guards at Shandaken and Leghewagh, and was to receive Detachments from the Regiments of Colonels Snyder and Cantine.

after mature Deliberation, on the Evidences given to a Court of Enquiry, together with a Manuscript, which had been handed into the Court, termed Cap<sup>t</sup> Jansens Defence, came to the following Determination :

1<sup>st</sup>. That it appears to us that Col. Duboys stands acquitted in the fullest Sense, as an Officer and a Gentleman.

2<sup>d</sup>. That it appears evidently to us, that Cap<sup>t</sup> Jansen has been deceived in his Information, respecting what Col. Duboys should have said of him at different Times.

3<sup>dly</sup>. That after being properly apprised of Cap<sup>t</sup> Jansens good Character, as an Officer and a Gentleman, we do recommend to Col. Duboys to apply to Gen<sup>l</sup> Clinton to have the Arrest taken from Cap<sup>t</sup> Jansen.

4<sup>thly</sup>. We do recommend that all Animofities between Col. Duboys and Cap<sup>t</sup> Jansen (if any remain) should be extinguished, and that Cap<sup>t</sup> Jansen be restored to the Confidence and Friendship of his Brother Officers.

*Camp, Otsego Lake, 29<sup>th</sup> July, 1779.*

[Signed.]

WILLIAM BUTLER,

*L<sup>t</sup> Col<sup>l</sup> Commandant*

*4<sup>th</sup> Pen<sup>a</sup> Reg<sup>t</sup> and Rifle Corps.*

FREDERIC WEISENFELS,

*L<sup>t</sup> Col. Commandg*

*4<sup>th</sup> N: York Reg<sup>t</sup>.*

[A Copy.]

STEPHEN MCCREA,

*Senior Surgeon*

*Northern Department.*

In Consequence of the above Report, and at the Request of Col<sup>l</sup> Duboys, the following Copy of a Letter from him to the Gen<sup>l</sup> is published.

“SIR :

“Upon the Intercession of a Number of Gentlemen of the first Character in Camp, the long contended Dispute between me, and Cap<sup>t</sup> Jansen, is at length compromised, as by the Evidence produced to the Court of Enquiry, and by several corroborating Circumstances, I am fully convinced he was instigated and prompted by some envious and designing Persons to stain my Character.

A fair and impartial Trial has failed them, and honorably acquitted me of the slanderous and malignant Aspersions, propogated to serve their vile Purposes. Not having the least Resentment against Cap<sup>t</sup> Jansen, but rather think it a Pity that a Gentleman who early stood forth in Defence of his injured Country, should be made the vile Instrument of designing Men.

If your Honor should think proper, I beg that Cap<sup>t</sup> Jansen may be released from his Arrest.

I am your Honor's most humble Servant,

[Copy.]                      LOUIS DUBOYS, *Colonel.*

Hon'ble Brigadier Gen<sup>l</sup> Clinton.

The Gen<sup>l</sup> is happy to find that the Dispute between Col<sup>l</sup> Duboys and Cap<sup>t</sup> Jansen, is so happily compromised. However, in Justice to Cap<sup>t</sup> Jansen, and from the Evidence produced to the Court of Enquiry he is fully convinced, that the Dispute would never have been carried to such

a Length, had it not been for the Councils of those Persons, who appear to have had greater Designs in View, than simply to extricate Cap<sup>t</sup> Jansen out of the Labyrinth into which he had imprudently plunged himself.

Cap<sup>t</sup> Jansen is released from his Arrest, and the Gen<sup>l</sup> expects, that every Spark of their former Animosity, may be buried in Oblivion, as the contrary Conduct, will be considered as an aggravated Offence.

All the Field Officers now on the Ground, are requested to attend at Head-Quarters this Afternoon at 5 O'Clock, on private Business.

*Camp, Otsego Lake, }  
Aug<sup>t</sup> 6, 1779. }*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

P.

C. S.

Field Officer of the Day, to Morrow, L<sup>t</sup> Col<sup>l</sup> Bentley, Adjutant White.

Drum Major from 4<sup>th</sup> N. Y. Regiment for Grand Parade.

Guards and Piquets as usual.

For Detachment to Morrow, with 3 Days Provision: 2 Cap<sup>t</sup>, 2 Subs., 4 Serjeants, 4 Corporals, and 100 Privates, to parade with the Guards. That part of Rifle Corps, which is now on the Ground, will parade at the same Time as a Part of the Detachm<sup>t</sup>. Major Cochran will Command this Party, and receive his Instructions on the Parade. The commanding Officers of Batt<sup>ns</sup> will compleat

complete their light Infantry Companies to 50 Privates, 3 Corp<sup>ls</sup>, 3 Serjeants, 1 Ens<sup>n</sup>, 1 Lieut, and 1 Captain, well armed and accoutred, to be ready to be reviewed at 5 O'clock to Morrow afternoon, for which the light Companies will be off Duty to Morrow. The above will be formed in a separate Corps, which will be under the Command of Col. Butler, Major Cochran, and Major Parr.

The Rifle Corps will also be commanded by the above Officers. The commanding Officers of Battallions, will immediately see them completed with Arms and Amunition, and strictly charge the commanding Officers of Companies to see the Amunition in their Possession of the Men well taken care of, and pay the greatest Attention that it is not lost or spoiled through Carelessness, as the greatest Severity will be shown to those who shall be apprehended either in firing their Musquets without Order, or destroying their Catridges.

After the Regiments shall be completed with Arms, if there is any remaining, they will be delivered up to those Officers, who may have none.

*August 6<sup>th</sup> 1779.*

After Orders.

A Court of Inspection composed of three Captains from the Line, will met to Morrow Morning at 7 O'Clock to inspect into some Provisions in the Commissary Store, and will make the Report of their Proceedings to the Gen<sup>l</sup> accordingly.

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*Camp,*

*Camp, Otsego Lake, }  
Aug<sup>t</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> 1779. }*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

P.

C. S.

Field Officer for to Morrow, Lieu<sup>t</sup> Col. Willett, Adjutant Coleman.

Drum Major from 6<sup>th</sup> Massachusetts.

Guards and Piquetts as usual.

Agreeable to the after Orders of Yesterday, we the Subscribers being appointed a Committee to inspect a Quantity of Bread and Flour in the Magazine, under the Direction of Jn<sup>o</sup> Pratt, Aff<sup>t</sup> Dy Com<sup>y</sup> of Issues, and do find fourteen Tierces, and eleven Barrels of Bread, selected from the Quantity, and two Barrels of Flour unfit for Use, and order it to be thrown away.

[Signed.]

ANDREW PORTER,  
*Cap<sup>t</sup> Artillery.*

JOHN REED,  
*Cap<sup>t</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> Massachusetts.*

[Copy.]

HENRY TIEBOUT,  
*Cap<sup>t</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> N. Y. Reg<sup>t</sup>.*

The General desires the Field Officers of the Army, to meet at his Marquee this Afternoon, immediately after the Review of the light Corps, which will be detailed separate, and will furnish their Quota's of Guards, &c., in Proportion to their Numbers.

Plan of the Line of March for the Army under the Command of the Hon<sup>ble</sup> James Clinton, Esq., Brigadier Gen<sup>l</sup>, together with the different Signals

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to be used, &c., which is to be punctually observed, beginning Tomorrow upon the River Sufquehannah.

1<sup>st</sup>. The Light Infantry and Rifle Corps, will form the advanced Guard, and discovering Parties of the Troops who marches by Land, and are to govern the March so as not to quit Sight of the Front of the Line of Boats if possible, and the Woods will permit.

2<sup>dly</sup>. A Rear Guard, consisting of 2 Capt., 4 Sub., 6 Serj<sup>ts</sup>, 6 Corp<sup>ls</sup>, and 100 Privates from the Line, will parade every Morning before the Army marches, at an appointed Place, and are to follow the Rear of the Line of Boats, and are not to quit sight of them unless by unavoidable Circumstances, as Swamps, Roads, &c.

3<sup>rdly</sup>. After the rear Guard is taken out, the remaining Part of the Troops from each Battalion (exclusive of them employ'd in the Boats, who are not to exceed the Number of 3 Men in each Boat) will form a separate Body together in the Centre of the Line of March, commanded by a Field Officer detail'd from the Line for that Purpose, and with that Body; is to march all the Horses, Cattle, &c., belonging to the Army. That Body shall march in two Columns or Indian Files, wherever the Roads will not permit it otherwise, and have the Cattle betwixt the Columns.

4<sup>thly</sup>. The Line of March by Water, will be with Boats, of which every Reg<sup>t</sup> and Corps will have their Proportion, and shall march by Front, and Rear as they are now encamped.

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The 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion of Boats marching in Front of the Line, shall be preceded by the Boats of the light Infantry and Rifle Corps, which will be by Water as a reconnoitering Party, to warn the Line in Case the Enemy shou'd appear on either Side of the River.

One of the Pieces of Ordinance shall march in the Front of the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, in Order to form the Alarm in Case the Enemy should attack the Advanced Guard, or be discover'd by the reconnoitering Boats in Front of the Line. The other Piece of Ordinance shall march in the Rear of the Last Batt<sup>n</sup> but one, to be ready to fire the Alarm for the Front to halt in Case the rear Guard shou'd be attacked.

The Artillery, Hospital, Quart<sup>r</sup> Mast<sup>r</sup> and Commissary Boats, shall march in the Line, betwixt the two centre Battallions.

5<sup>thly</sup>. In Case the Front shou'd go so fast that the rear Boats shou'd have lost sight of the rear Guard, the hereafter mention'd Signals of the Drum shall be put in Practice.

For the Front to halt, two Flams from Rear to Front, repeated through every Battalion. And as soon as the Front is halted, return the two Flams from Front to Rear.

To march slower, the Taps from Rear to Front.

For the Front to advance quicker, the Long March from Rear to Front.

The Commanding Officers of the different Battalions must have their Orderly Dummies next to them,



them, in order to give the above Signals and to return them, and as the Drummers of the Army are already acquainted with them, the Execution will be the easier.

6<sup>thly</sup>. Shou'd the advance Guard discover the Enemy, or be attack'd, and if heard by the Front, the commanding Officer there will order the Cannon to be fir'd, which is to be a Signal for the Rear to advance their Boats close to one another, regimentally in the Front, which will be halted, and there each commanding Officers of Battalions having previously warned those Officers and Soldiers who are to remain on Board of the Boats for their Securty, send the Troops they have on Board from them, and proced<sup>d</sup> in Order to the Place of Action.

The flank Guard who continues marching, being arrived in the Head of the Line, the Officers commanding leave a proper Escort with the Cattle and marches with the Rest of the Men under his Command where the Army is engaged, the rear Guard following as fast as possible.

Meanwhile the Officers left on Board of the Boats dispose the Troops who remain under their Command in such a Manner as to protect both Provisions and Stores, whilst the Army is engaged.

7<sup>thly</sup>. Should the centre Guard be attack'd a Cannon from the Front must be fir'd to warn the advance Guard to halt and wheel back to the Place of Action. In the same Time the rear Guard will march to sustain the Centre, whilst the Officers

cers a Board the Boats are landing the Troops, and proceed to Action as above described.

N. B. The Officers left a Board of the Boats, after the Troops are landed, must always pay a particular Attention that the Boats be brought close together in Front of the Line, as it will be easier (on Account of the Current) to haue them there, and more compact to be defended in Case of an Attack.

8<sup>th</sup>. Should the rear Guard be attacked, the commanding Officer of that Battalion who marches the Rear, Order the Cannon next to him to be fir'd, as a Signal upon which the advanced Guard is to halt, and turn back as above described on the Attack of the flank Guard.

The flank Guard leave a proper Escort with the Cattle, to conduct them to the Front of the Line, and wheel back to support the rear Guard; meanwhile the Troops will land from the Batteaus, form and march in Succession to the Place of Action.

Shou'd on the Contrary the Line of Boats be attacked on the opposite Side of the Riuer from which the Troops are marching, it shall be necessary to fire the Cannons, Front and Rear, in Order to warn both front and rear Guard, the Former to wheel back and the Latter to follow the rear Boats as close as possible, in Order to arrive in Time to cross the Riuer to attack the Enemy together with the Troops who shall land from the Batteaus.

The advanced Guard will likewise cross the  
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Riuer if necessary, with the Baggage Boats, &c. Meanwhile, the center Guard will take such a Position as shall be better thought of for the Security of the Horses and Cattle under his Care, and that of the Stores and Provisions on Board of the Boats.

Other Precautions, both offensive and defensive may be taken, according to Circumstances.<sup>1</sup>

*Camp*

<sup>1</sup> The long Delay of the Expedition at Otsego Lake, proved very burdensome to the Army, and both Officers and Privates began to fear that the Campaign would fail in accomplishing any Results. It appears that the Cause of the Delay, was a Series of Embarrassments attending the Collection of Supplies at Wyoming, under the Direction of Gen. Sullivan, but beyond his Powers to hasten.

The Rev. Mr. Gano, Brigade Chaplain in Gen. Clinton's Army, remarks concerning the breaking up of the Encampment. "The General informed me that he had received Orders to move, and that he should do it on next Monday. He requested me not to mention it, till after Service the next Day, which was Sunday. I preached to them from those Words: '*Being ready to depart on the Morrow.*' As soon as the Service was closed, the General rose up and ordered each Captain to appoint a certain Number of Men out of his Company to draw the Boats from the Lake and string them along the Susquehannah, below the Dam and load them, that they might be ready to depart the next Morning.

"Notwithstanding the Dam had been opened several Hours, yet the Swell it had occasioned in the River, served to carry the Boats over the Shoals and Flats, which would have been impossible otherwise. It was at that Time very Dry, it was therefore, Matter of Astonishment to the Inhabitants down the River, for above an hundred Miles, what could have occasioned such a Freshet in the River. The Soldiers marched on both sides of the River, excepting the Invalids who went in the Boats with Baggage and Provisions."

*Camp Demesses, on the Susquebanah, }  
 Aug<sup>t</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> 1779, 16 Miles from }  
 the Lake.*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

Parol.

C. Signs.

Field Officer for the Day Tomorrow, Colonel Gansevoort, Adjutant Hutton.

One Orderly Serjeant for the Gen<sup>l</sup>, and one for the Deputy Adjut. Gen<sup>l</sup>.

The Guard Tomorrow to parade at the Beating of the General, as to Day. The Guard will parade on the Left of the Line, fronting to the River.

The 4 N. York Reg<sup>t</sup> will haue the front of the March by Water Tomorrow, and the 4<sup>th</sup> Pennsylvania the Rear of the said, both will be commanded by their respective Field Officers.

Lieut. Colonel Willet will Command the Body of Troops which is to march by Land, and will have under his Care the Cattle, Horses, &c., they shall parade likewise on the Left of the Camp.

The Assembly will beat Half an Hour after the Gen<sup>l</sup>, and the March a Quarter of an Hour after. And the commanding Officers of Battalions, will see their Baggage and Tents properly loaded within the aboue Time, that Nothing may detain the March.

One carefull Serjt, one Corporal, and 12 pick'd Privates, will be detailed immediately from the Line, to parade at the above mention'd Place, and sent to the Gen<sup>l</sup> as a standing Guard.

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The Gen<sup>l</sup> expressly forbids the Firing of Mufquets on the Line of March, by any Body whatever belonging to the Army, on Pain of being severely punished.

*Camp Jacum's on Susquebanah, }  
August 10<sup>th</sup> 1779, 20 Miles }  
from the Lake.<sup>1</sup>*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

Parole.

C. Signs.

Field Officer for the Day, Tomorrow, Major Church, Adjutant Dodge.

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1 LETTER FROM GENERAL CLINTON TO GOVERNOR GEORGE CLINTON.

*"Camp, Jacum's Farm, twenty Miles by Land }  
from Lake Otsago, and five Miles above the }  
Adenquetangy Branch, August 10th, 1779."*

"DEAR BROTHER :

"Yours of the 5th Instant with its Inclosures, I received on my Arrival this Day at this Place. I wrote you from the Lake the 5th Inst., which I hope you have received by this Time.

"I enclose you an Account given me by a certain John House, who was brought into Camp by one of my Scouts the Day before I left the Lake. His Information, I am inclined to Credit as the Particulars are chiefly confirmed by Co<sup>l</sup> Klock in a Letter dated the 7<sup>th</sup> Inst.

"I have been informed in a Letter from Co<sup>l</sup> V. Dyke, as well as by other Persons, particularly by Indians, that the Enemy are preparing to lay Siege to Fort Schuyler ; that large Reinforcements have arrived from Canada, with heavy Artillery at Buck Island for that Purpose, that a Body of Indians had attacked and defeated Gen<sup>l</sup> Sullivan ; this last Information I received the Day Gen<sup>l</sup> Sullivan's last Letter, dated the 30<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>, arrived in Camp five Days after it was written. These Accounts seem to wear the similar Complection and illustrate each other. Espe-

Details of Guard as usual, Tomorrow, to parade at the Beating of the Gen<sup>l</sup> behind Camp.

The Assembly shall beat three Quarters of an Hour after, and they march a Quarter of an Hour after the Assembly, when the Whole is to move forward. Col. Dubois will have the Front of the Line by Water, and Colonel Wiffenfels the Rear. Major Whiting will command the Troops who are to march by Land.

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cially when we know that Gen<sup>l</sup> Schuyler and others have received frequent and undoubted Intelligence that no Reinforcements had or were to be sent from Canada, except Johnson's Regiment and McClean's Emigrants.

"A Moment's Reflection will point out the Intention of these amusing Tales, evidently propagated with a View to support the Spirits of their discouraged Friends, retard the Operations of the present Expedition, and prevent the Oneidas from joining us, the Latter of which they have been perfectly successful in, as out of the whole Nation, only two have remained with the Army, and these of the lower Class.

"The Troops have advanced thus far without the least Accident, in perfect Health, and high Spirits. The most difficult Parts of the River are passed, so that I expect to arrive at Anaqueyha the 15th, when I hope to meet Col. Pawling. If not I shall wait unto the 17th.

"Enclosed is a Letter to my Wife, please to forward it, remember me to your Family, and believe me to be

"Yours sincerely,

"JAMES CLINTON."

—*Clinton Papers*, No. 2477, State Library.

Enclosed was the Narrative of John House who had been taken Prisoner by Brant, but was allowed to Return, upon taking the Oath of Neutrality, through the Influence of Butler the Tory. He detailed a Plan of Invasion threatened from Canada.

The Gen<sup>l</sup> is much surpris'd that notwithstanding the repeated and pointed Orders against firing in Camp, so little regard is paid to them, this unfoldierlike Practice, is at all Times improper in our present Circumstances. It may be attended with the most pernicious Consequences, which a Moments Reflection will readily suggest. He therefore most strictly enjoins every Officer to exert himself in discovering Offenders, as he is determined to punish in the most exemplary Manner those who may be found guilty.

The Reg<sup>t</sup> of Infantry will draw Provisions in Future upon Returns sign'd by L<sup>t</sup> Col. Butler. The Q<sup>r</sup> Mast. of the different Reg<sup>ts</sup> from which the light Corps is form'd, will omit them in their Returns, as alio those Men who compose the Gen<sup>ls</sup> Guard.

The Brigade Q<sup>r</sup> Mast<sup>r</sup> will see all the empty Boats brought to the Landing before Tomorrow Morning, in Order that the Men do not get wet to cross the River.

The Asst<sup>t</sup> Q<sup>r</sup> Mast<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup>, Mr Dow, will see the Boats of the Army file of in Order from the Place Tomorrow Morning, and in every other Place where we shall encamp along the River, and the Brigade Q<sup>r</sup> Mast<sup>r</sup> will see them properly ranged in their Arrival in Camp every Day; and for this Reason he will march with the Boats of the advanced Guard, to mark the Ground where the Troops are to encamp.

*Camp,*

*Camp, Ogdens Farm, Susquebannah, }  
 Aug<sup>t</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> 1779, 36 Miles from }  
 the Lake.*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

Field Officer for the Day, Tomorrow, Col. Wiffenfelt, Adjutant Elsworth.

Guards for Tomorrow as usual, to parade in the Rear of the Camp, at the beating of the General. The Assemblee three Quarters of an Hour afterwards, and the March as soon as the Troops are paraded. Major Whitting will have the Front of the Line by Water, and Col. Dubois the Rear. Major Church will have the Commnd of the Troops who marches by Land. The General strictly recommends to the Officers and Soldiers who marches by Land and Water, to be as silent as possible, as it does not in the Least advance the March of the Army, nor does it look Soldier like, and besides all may be very ingurious to our Situation.

The General further recommends that the commanding Officers of Batt<sup>ns</sup> will start their Boats Tomorrow at least three a Breast, and the and the whole at a close Distance. As the Troops are under the Necessity of using the River Water to drink, cook, &c., the Gen<sup>l</sup> orders that no person presume to Swim. The Gen<sup>l</sup> orders that all the Troops on the Ground receive one Gill of Rum this Evening and each Officer one Quart.

*Camp,*



*Camp Unondila, August 12<sup>th</sup> 1779, }  
52 Miles from the Lake. }*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

Parole.

C. Signs.

Field Officer for the Day, Tomorrow, Colonel Dubois, Adj<sup>t</sup> White.

Guards as usual, to parade in the Rear of the Camp at the Beating of the Gen<sup>l</sup>.

Lieut. Col. Willet is to command the Front of the Line by Water, Tomorrow, and Major Whiting the Rear. Colonel Gansevoort will command the Troops detach'd by Land, &c.

The Soldiers will see their Provisions ready cook'd to Night, and their Arms in good Order, as the Gen<sup>l</sup> expect to march the Army from this Post Tomorrow Morning at five O'Clock.

The commanding Officer of Battalions who marches by Water, will see the Boats attach'd to their respective Battalions, regularly bayld, as Complaints have been made that several Barrels of Provisions were spoild thro that Neglect.

*Camp Connagronta on Susquebanah, }  
August 13<sup>th</sup> 1779, 68 Miles from  
the Lake. }*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

Parole.

C. Sign.

Field Officer for the Day, Tomorrow, Colonel Willet, Adj<sup>t</sup> Bofs.

Guards Tomorrow as usual, to parade in the  
Rear

Rear of the Artillery Camp, at the beating of the General.

Major Church will command the Front of the Line by Water, Tomorrow, and Colonel Gansevoort the Rear. Major Whiting will command the Troops who march by Land. The General desires that the commanding Officers of the Troops, light Infantry, and others who marches by Land to Day, will make Returns to the Commissary of Issues, for one Gill of Rum p<sup>r</sup> Man, for those Troops who were under their Command.

The Assistant Quart<sup>r</sup> Mast<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup>, will see all the empty Batteaus paraded together daily in the Front of the Army to cross over the River with the Troops whenever the General shall request it.

*Camp Onaguaga<sup>1</sup> August 14<sup>th</sup> 1779, }  
80 Miles from the Lake.*

General Orders.

Parole.

C. Sign.

Field Officer for the Day, Tomorrow, Major Whiting, Adjut. Hutton.

Guards as usual to parade at Troop Beating Tomorrow Morning in the Rear of the Artillery Camp. The General informs the Troops under his Command that they are to rest themselves  
Tomorrow,

<sup>1</sup> Now in the Town of Windsor, Broome Co., N. Y. It was a beautiful Valley, sloping down the River from high Hills on both Sides, a Mile or more in Width, and when first settled it bore Evidence of having been long occupied by the Indians. It was inhabited by a Branch of the Oneidas.—Wilkinson's *Binghamton*, 142.

Tomorrow, mean while he expects that the Arms haue been wet and which are loaded for some Time, the Charge shall be drawn and the Arms clean'd, and he exhorts the Officers to see that it may be done thro' their respective Commands, whilst we stay in this Place. The Soldiers are forbid to pass the Line of Centinels; and the Officers of the different Guards round the Camp will pay the strictest Attention that this Order may be strictly obey'd.

The commanding Officers of Battalions, will see that the Boats under their Command, who have Flour and Bread on Board, to have the Barrels turned over, that if there is any who are wet, they may have Time to dry.

The Men detached from the several Battalions to the Hospital Boats, are to remain there as a standing Guard, and are not to be taken away without an Order from the General.

*Camp Oneguga, August 15<sup>th</sup> 1779.*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

Parole.

C. Signs.

Field Officer for the Day, Tomorrow, Colonel Gansevoort, Adj<sup>t</sup> Dodge.

For Guard Tomorrow: 2 Capt., 6 Subs., 6 Serjeants, 6 Corporals, and 100 Privates.

The Troops will assemble this Afternoon at five O'Clock, upon the Parade for Prayer.

On Account of the Scarcity of Tents in the Hospital, it is requested that the commanding  
Officer

Officer of Battalions will send there a Proportion of Tents to the Number of Sick they have in it.

*Camp Onaguaga, August 16<sup>th</sup> 1779.*

General Orders. Parole.  
C. Signs.

Field Officer for the Day, to Morrow, Colonel Dubois, Adjut. Elsworth.

For rear Guard Tomorrow at the beating of the General: 2 Capt., 4 Sub., 6 Serj<sup>ts</sup>, 6 Corporals, 2 Drum and Fife, and 100 Privates, to parade at the beating of the Assamblee. The afternamed Number of Men to march by Land: 4 Capt., 5 Sub., 7 Serjeants, 7 Corporals, 4 Drums and Fifes, and 215 Privates.

Colonel Willett to command the above Party.

Col. Wiffenfelt to command the Front of the Line by Water, and Maj. Church the Rear.

The light Infantry and Rifle Corps will keep opposite the Front of the Boats as usual. Sending out such advanced Parties as the commanding Officer may judge necessary.

The General desires that the commanding Officers of Regiments wou'd make a Distribution of the Boats among those Officers who are to proceed by Water; who are to see that their Respective Squads are kept in close Order, that the Rear of the Army may be as short as possible; they will see that none of their Men except those who work the Boats, presume to put of their Accoutraments, but remain perfectly equipt and ready for Action  
upon

the first Notice of the Approach of the Enemy, when they are to land and proceed to the Place of Action in good Order, leaving none to the Boats except one, whom the Officers will nominate for that Purpose. And in making a Halt, no Officer or Soldier will presume to land except he is properly armed.

All the Boats in Future, will keep in the Rear of the Gundalo, except the Volunteers.

The Infantry Baggage Boats, will keep in Front of the Regiments, and next after the Generals Boats.

*Camp Tuscarora, August 17<sup>th</sup> 1779.*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

Field Officer for the Day, Tomorrow, Maj. Church, Adjutant White.

The Guard to parade at the beating of the General, behind the Camp of the Artillery.

2 Capt., 4 Sub., 4 Serj<sup>ts</sup>, 4 Corp<sup>ls</sup>, and 100 Privates to march by Land, to parade in the above nam'd Place at the beating of the Assembly.

3 Capt., 7 Sub., 7 Serj<sup>ts</sup>, 7 Corp<sup>ls</sup>, and 165 Privates, Col. Gansevoort to command the above Party. Col. Dubois will command the Front of the Line by Water, and Col. Wissenfelt the Rear.

*Camp Chimingo, August 18<sup>th</sup> 1779.*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

Field Officer for the Day, Tomorrow, Col. Willett, Adjutant De Bofs.

For Guard Tomorrow at the beating of the  
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General behind the Generals Marque: 2 Capt., 4 Sub., 6 Serj<sup>ts</sup>, 6 Corp<sup>ls</sup>, 1 Drum, and 100 Privates, to march by Land, to parade at the beating of the Affemlee, 3 Capt., 7 Sub., 7 Serjeants, 7 Corp<sup>ls</sup>, and 165 Privates, Colo. Wiffenfelt to command the above Party.

Major Whiting to command the Front of the Line by Water, and Col. Dubois the Rear. The different Adjutants will give the Adjutant Gen<sup>l</sup>, Tomorrow, at the taking of Orders, a Note of all the Alterations who happened in their respective Battallions since last monthly Return.

*Camp Owegy, August 19<sup>th</sup> 1779.*

Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

Parole.

C. Signs.

Field Officer for the Day, Tomorrow, Col. Wifenfelt, Adjutant Hutton.

For Guard Tommorrow to parade in the Rear of the Artillery Camp at the beating of the General: 2 Capt., 5 Subs., 7 Serjeants, 7 Corp<sup>ls</sup>, 2 Drums and Fifes, and 115 Privates. None of the above Number are to be sent on the Parade but strong and healthy Soldiers, well armed and shod.

Col. Gansevort will command the Front of the Line by Water, and Major Whiting the Rear.

*Camp Tioga, August 22<sup>d</sup> 1779.*

Brigade Orders.

A Detachment consisting of a Captain, Sub., three Serjt, three Corp<sup>ls</sup>, and fifty Privates will  
parade

parade to Morning at Guard mounting. The Captain will receive Orders from the Gen<sup>l</sup>.

The Adjutants of the respective Reg<sup>t</sup>, will make a Return of all the Taylers, Sail makers, and such others as can wield a Needle, to the B. Q. Master, who will apply to the Q. M. G. for Orders, the above Men are not to be put on any military Duty. Also all the Names of all those Men in the Brigade who understand making Toogans and Back Brachins for Pack Horses, are to be immediately returned to the Q. Master, who will employ them without Loss of Time.

Returns of all the Tents in Brigade is to made to the Gen<sup>l</sup> Tomorrow, signed by the commanding Officer of each Reg<sup>t</sup>.

*Head-Qu<sup>rs</sup> Fort Sullivan, }  
23<sup>d</sup> Aug<sup>t</sup> 1779. }*

P., Hanover.

C. S., Brunswick.

Field Officer for to Morrow, Col<sup>l</sup> Spencer,  
Brigade Major Marshall.

Col. Cortlands Reg<sup>ti</sup> is annexed to Gen<sup>l</sup> Clintons Brigade, Col<sup>l</sup> Aldens to Gen<sup>l</sup> Poors,<sup>2</sup> the 4<sup>th</sup> Pen<sup>a</sup> Reg<sup>t</sup> and Rifle Corps to Gen<sup>l</sup> Hands Brigade.

The Brigade Commiffarys to draw thirty Days  
Flour

<sup>1</sup> Col. Philip Van Cortlandt commanded the 2d Regiment of the New York Line. In October of this Year, it mustered 279 Officers and Men.

<sup>2</sup> Gen. Enoch Poor, died in New Jerfey Sept. 8, 1780, aged 43 Years.

Flour and Salt Tomorrow, exclusive of what may be used by the Troops this Day and Tomorrow. They are to see that it be put up in Bags, and the Brigade Q<sup>r</sup> M<sup>rs</sup> are to have it properly flung to put on Horse Back. As the Army will move on Wednesday Morning, the Q<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> and Com<sup>y</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> will have the Articles in their Department perfectly ready to be moved off. A proper Number of Axes, Scythes, and Facine Hatchets, to be drawn by the several Brigades this Day, and ground fit for Use.

The Pouches and Powder Horns, which are not absolutely necessary for the Troops who have them, are to be immediately returned to the Commissary of military Stores, to supply Troops who have no Catridge Boxes.

All the Troops to draw a proper Number of Flints, and a sufficient Quantity of Ammunition to fill their Catridge Boxes, also one hundred and fifty Rounds each of spare Catridges.

The Artillery to draw the same Quantity of Flour and Salt as the other Troops. Col. Proctor<sup>r</sup> will have Ammunition fix'd for the six 3 Pounders, the two Howitzers, and the Co Horn. The six Pounders are to be left with the Garrison.

Col. Bond to have all the Horses collected this Day, which have not already been assigned, that Gen<sup>l</sup> Clintons Brigade may be supplied.

As the Troops should move as light as possible,  
the

<sup>r</sup> Col. Thomas Proctor was an Artillery Officer, and resided in Philadelphia, where he died in 1806.



the Officers are requested to leave at the Garrison all the Baggage they can possibly spare. All the Women and Children to remain at this Fort, and the commanding Officer of the Garrison will have Orders respecting them.

The Officers Servants who conduct pack Horses, are each to draw five Horses. The Field and other Officers will make this arrangement among themselves.

As this is a Campaign where every one must expect to encounter Difficulties far surpassing those of common Campaigns, the Officers ought not, and the Commander-in-Chief trusts they will not, think of diminishing the Strength of the Army by a Multiplicity of Servants, or impede its Progress by unnecessary Baggage.

The Troops who want Shoes or Overalls, are to make Returns this Day and draw them. The Commissary and Q<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup>, are directed to have all their Stores moved to the Garrison this Day.

The Troops to draw six Days salted Provisions in the Forenoon to Morrow, two Days of which is to be cooked in the Evening.

Two hundred and fifty Men properly officered, exclusive of Boatmen to be left as Garrison at this Post. Col<sup>l</sup> Shreeve to command the Garrison, those Men to parade to Morrow Morning at 9 O'Clock, and immediately after, move up and take their Post.

The Hospital to be immediately removed to the Garrison.

A Signal will be given by one Cannon from the  
Park

Park to Morrow at 3 O'Clock, P. M., for striking the Encampment, when all the Troops will move to their respective Places with their Baggage loaded ready for a March. Every Thing is to be in perfect readiness previous to this Time, that the Business may be conducted with Order and Expedition. A second Gun from the Park will notify the Army to encamp again in such Order, as to be able to move early the next Morning, without Confusion, and agreeably to the Plan or Order of March and Battle delivered to the Officers the 24<sup>th</sup> of May last.

The right Flank of the Army to be composed of 200 chosen Men, commanded by Col<sup>l</sup> Duboys. The Left to be composed also of 200 chosen Men, and commanded by Col. Ogden.<sup>1</sup> These to be selected from the Line, and in addition to them the German Batt<sup>n</sup> is to be divided into four equal Companies, two of which to be on the Right, the others on the Left of the Army, annexed to the flanking Division. The commanding Officers of the Flank will direct those Divisions to be completed from the Flanks, to fifty Men each, two of which are to march about ten Rods within the Front of the flanking Divisions, and two the same Distance within the Rear of the Flanks. The Business of these Divisions are to gain the Rear of the Enemy without loss of Time, when the Flank  
to

<sup>1</sup> Col. Aaron Ogden, was a Lawyer by Profession. In 1801-3 he was a Senator in Congress; and in 1812, Governor of New Jersey. He died at Jersey City, April 19, 1839, aged 83 Years.

to which they are annexed is attacked. The German Batt<sup>n</sup> to be replaced by two Companies of light Infantry from Gen<sup>l</sup> Clintons Brigade, one from Gen<sup>l</sup> Maxwells, and one from Gen<sup>l</sup> Pours, consisting of 50 non-commissioned and private Men each. These to be chosen Troops, and annexed to Col<sup>l</sup> Butlers Reg<sup>t</sup>.

The covering Parties for the first and second Line to be drawn out and officer'd, as also the flanking Divisions at 12 O'Clock to Morrow, that upon beating the Assembly, which will be in one Hour after the Gun, the respective Corps and Detachments may take their proper Places. The Park Troops that compose the flanking Divisions and covering Parties, are to be furnished with a proper Proportion of Tents, that they may encamp in Order of March or Battle as the Circumstances may require.

The proportion of Tents for this Expedition, is to be one for every eight Men. The Brigadiers will see that no more Tents are carried on for the Officers than are absolutely necessary. The Gen<sup>l</sup> flatters himself that the Officers will, from their Zeal to the Service, cheerfully assist in retrenching the Baggage of the Army, and removing every Obstacle to its March.

Lieu<sup>t</sup> Col<sup>l</sup> Regnier is appointed Sub. Inspector in this Army, and to be respected and obeyed accordingly.

Guard,	C.	S.	S.	C.	D.	P.
Clintons,	1	1	3	3	1	46

After

After Gen<sup>l</sup> Orders.

The different Corps are to call immediately upon the Q<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> for Fascine Knives, Knapfacks, Haverfacks, and Canteens.

The Commissary to issue to such Field Officers as chose receive it, four Gallons of Whiskey each, as also to all commissioned and warrant Officers two Gallons each. The Commis<sup>y</sup> to carry forward all the Liquors and Salt which may remain on hand.

The Com<sup>y</sup> of military Stores to have all his Stores removed, to Morrow Morning, to the Fort, except what are to be dealt out to the Troops, agreeable to the Orders of this Day.

As there are four Companies of light Infantry annexed to Col<sup>l</sup> Butlers Reg<sup>t</sup>, the Rifle Corps together with such other Rifle Men, as may be added to them, are to be considered as a separate Corps, and kept advanced of the Army as Gen<sup>l</sup> Hand may direct.

The Court of Enquiry, whereof Major Edwards is Prefid<sup>t</sup>, having reported it as their Opinion that the Property of the Cow in dispute between Capt<sup>t</sup> Cummings and Lieut<sup>t</sup> Cais, is Ser<sup>t</sup> Soper and Corp<sup>l</sup> Rosse of the 2<sup>d</sup> Jersey Reg<sup>t</sup>, the Gen<sup>l</sup> orders that the Cow be kept for the Use of the Hospital at this Place, and that the Commissary of the Hospital pay them a reasonable Value for the Same, and that the Man who sold her to Lieut<sup>t</sup> Cais, refund the Money to him.

The Number of Horses being insufficient for carrying on the necessary Supplies of the Army.

All

All the Adjuts, Q<sup>r</sup> M<sup>rs</sup> and Pay M<sup>rs</sup> of Reg<sup>ts</sup> as also every Officer of the Line under the Rank of a Field Officer, are to return their Horses to the Q<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> at 6 O'Clock to Morrow Morning. The Gen<sup>l</sup> and Field Officers of the Day, will see that no Officer of the Line under the Rank of a Field Officer be suffer'd to ride, and order such dismounted as may attempt it. Such Officers as have the Command of Reg<sup>ts</sup>, and not of the Rank of a Field Officer, are to make special Application to the Commander-in-Chief for Liberty to ride. Cap<sup>t</sup> Cummings of the 2<sup>d</sup> Jersey Reg<sup>t</sup> being lame and unable to march, owing to his great Fatigue by his marching twice to Chemong, is permitted to ride untill he be able to march. One Conductor to each Brigade and no more to be permitted to ride, the Rest to return their Horses to Morrow Morning to the Q<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> at 6 O'Clock.

The supernumerary Tents to be returned to the Q<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> at 8 O'Clock to Morrow.

The Troops to draw to Morrow Morning, two Days Flour, exclusive of to Morrows, and the 30 Days.

Dr Rogers,<sup>1</sup> Chaplain to Gen<sup>l</sup> Hands Brigade,<sup>2</sup>  
is

<sup>1</sup> Believed to have been the Rev. Peter Rogers, who died at Waterloo, Ill., in 1849, aged 99 Years.

<sup>2</sup> General Edward Hand, was a Native of Ireland. He emigrated before the Revolution, entered the Army, and rose to the Rank of Adjutant General. At the Peace, he returned to the Practice of Medicine, to which he had been reared. In 1798, he was appointed a Major General in the Provisional Army of the United States. He died at his Seat on the Conestoga, near Lancaster, Pa., Sept. 4, 1802, aged 58 Years.

is to return to Wyoming and officiate as Chaplain to that Garrison.

The Detachment of light Infantry, ordered to join Col. Butler's Reg<sup>t</sup>, to draw their Provision from Gen<sup>l</sup> Hand's Commissary, except what may be drawn to Morrow Morning. All other Detachments to draw from their own Brigade Commissarys respectively.

The Commander-in-Chief notifies the Army, that the small Number of Horses will not allow of any State Stores being carried on, therefore not a single Article of that Kind is to be taken forward.

Major Conway is to [do] Duty as Lieu<sup>t</sup> Col<sup>l</sup> in the 3<sup>d</sup> N. Jersey Reg<sup>t</sup> till further Orders, and Capt Hollinshead of the 2<sup>d</sup> Jersey Reg<sup>t</sup> to do the Duty of Major in the 3<sup>d</sup> Jersey Reg<sup>t</sup> till Orders.

Major Fish<sup>r</sup> of the 2<sup>d</sup> N. York Regiment is appointed B. Major and Inspector to Gen<sup>l</sup> Clintons Brigade, and to be obeyed accordingly.

Q<sup>r</sup> Douw and Commy Woodman to remain at this Post and receive their Orders from Col. Shreeve.

<sup>r</sup> Nicholas Fish, was born in N. Y., Aug. 28, 1758, studied Law with John Morin Scott, under whom he joined the Army as a Volunteer. He served as a Major in the Revolution, and in 1784 was appointed Adjutant General of New York, which Office he held until 1793. He subsequently held the Office of Supervisor of the Revenue; was ten Years an Alderman, and acted as Chairman of the Committee who first directed the building of the Forts in New York Harbor. He died in New York June 20, 1833. His Son Hamilton Fish was Governor of New York in 1849-50.

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