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Aprill 9th 1755

A Journal on the Intended Expedition to Novicotia

This Day I Left Lancaster
Marcht aboute 9 oClock with 50
men and Come to the widow Stevens
and Refreshed Y^e men and then went
to Concord and supt att Rows aboute
sun sett the Reconing was £, 6 pound

April y^e 10 march to Boston with a 100 men and Dineed att Cap.^t Days and paid — — Lawfull m £ 6: 10 and this Day went on Board the vessell Calld the victory Cap.^t Rodick C^gy

- 11th ordered the Company to be putt into messes and toock oute provitions
- 12th Nothing Remarkable &c
- 13th Sunday all the people went to Church
- 14th my Company past muster and toock oute their Cloaths tho very mean & scandelus.

15th april 1755

I ordered all the Souldirs on the Common to Divert themselves

- 16th Nothing Remarkable Fair wather
- 17th Nothing Strange Happins
- 18th all the Company well & Lively
- 19th paid all the Souldirs the Remainder of their Bounty
- 20th Sunday ordereed all to go to meeting
- 21st a generall Training in Boston where their was a vast number of people
- 22^d I paid the men from the time of their Inlestmnt to 14th off Aprill Instant

- 23^d fair weather and all well
- 24 orders Came on Board for us to sail this Next Day fair weather nothing Remarkable
- 25th Cold weather for the time of year and snowd.

Aprill 26th 1755

A Cold morning and nothing Remarkable I went to Lancaster this Evening

27th Sunday Rainey weather in the afternoon went to meeting

28 I bid farewell to Lancaster and my family and got to Boston aboute 12 oClock 29th Fair weather and nothing Remarkable 30th nothing strange

May ye 1 1755

Fair this morning but Cloudy in y^e afternoon we waid anchor aboute 3 oClock and Came Down to King Roade and gave three huzzahs when we past the Castle and then came Down 12: or 14 and Dropt anchor against Dear Island and their waite till further orders

may 2^d 1755

This Day David Atherton Died one of my Souldirs after a short fitt of sickness.

- 3^d fair weather in the forenoon but Rain in the afternoon and sum of the Souldirs not well
- 4th Sunday orders Came on board for to go on to Dear Island to hear preaching which we was Entertaind a Discourse be Content with your wages
- 5th wind att N E and a Ruff seae and I was ordered to go on to the Island for to sett a guard to Keep the Souldirs from Stroaling and Doing mischif
- 6th wind att N Wst but nothing Remarkable

- 7th Wind att N W but Exceeding Cold men harty and well In generall
- 8th Fair weather
- 9th wind very high and the sea Ruff and I ordered the Souldirs to go on Shore to Reckarate themselves

May 10th 1755

A Raw Cold Day nothing Remarkable but begin to be sumthing un Easy and think time to be gon

- 11th Sunday both officers and Souldirs was ordered on shore had the Articals of war Read in the forenoon and the afternoon Mr Philips

 Preacht a sermon and after servis I went to Boston
- 12th fine weather and went Down a board this afternoon
- 13th this Day nothing Remarkable
- 14th this Day I went a Board with
 Ensⁿ Willard & 45 of my Company
 Cap^t Probeys Ship the Syrene
 man of war which made the
 Souldirs Lookt Sober

May 15th 1755

This Day Fine weather nothing Remarkable the Souldirs Loockt very soober being with Strangers and in a man of war

- 16th this Day I went to Boston
- 17th Comadore Rouse Fireed a gun for a Signall for Sailing but all things were not Ready and so went to Pudding Point
- 18th Expected to Saile but Disopinted
 Cap^t Probey Read Prayers and and
 Sermon and the Ships Crew was as
 oblgid to attend and in the Eveing
 Maj^r Frye Come on board and tolt me
 that it was the orders that we should
 sail to morrow

19th Comadore Rouse gave a Signall for Sailing by fireing a Cannon we waid one of our Ships and almost the other the (wind) shifted and orders Come for to Lett go our anhors and stopt for this Day

May 20th 1755

this morning fine weather in the afternoon Come a Shower from the No East itt Blowed Like a huricane we was oblige to throw oute another Anchor Storme Continud aboute an houre 21^{st} wind Contary N E nothing Remarkable 22^{nd} This Day the Comader Rouse gave a Signall for Sailing in aboute half an houre the fleet was all under Sail with a fine Fair winde which was pleasent aboute 3 oClock this afternoon a top Sail vessel was spied ahed of us the Commoadore gave a Signall to Capt Shirley Commanded the mare maid man of war to give thee vessell that was spieed to chase to Know who she was Cloudy in the morning but pleasent in the afternoon Cap Shirley Reternd from His Chase he Came up with the vessell pressed severall hands oute of hur She Came from Liverpooll and Brings News of a war

May 24th 1755

23

 25^{th}

A fine Pleasent morning but Calm untill aboute 9 oClock abute 5 oClock we made Land att menhagan Near georges this Evening a small matter of Rain Sunday this morning Exceeding pleasent but fogey but Cleard of in the afternoon many mountins appeared in the North prayers were Read unto us by Capt Probey and the pilot said by the Land we saw we was within 18 Leagues of anopilis

 26^{th} we mad Land att anopilis this afternoon a Lad of Cap^t Rouses fell oute of His Ship which was aboute 25 Rods from oure vssell Cap^t Probeys Boate being oute of the vssell they Jumt into the Boate Caught the (lad) we thought he had bin Dead after a Considerable time Lying a Cross a greate Gun a Large Quantity of warter Runing oute of him he began to Come to and is Like to Do well aboute sun an houer high the ships Dropt anchor att the Gutt of anopilis and the transports went in to the Bason

May ye 27: 1755

Nothing Remarkable this Day but Rain May 28th being fair for Election Day in New England but throw favour we are well a signall from the Comadore for to go into anopilis but the tide so strong and the wind Low Dropt anchor Just in the Entrance of ye Gutt and their Lay till Just sundown and then by the help of the oars and Boates we got in to the harbour of anopilis in 5 fathom of water

29thwe waid anchor and we went within half a League of the transport our people from the Ship went on Shore and Caught a hogg and see severall french garls and they was much frighted att our people 30th this Day I went to anpelis and Saw the garison which I was much disopinted in the garison I Expeted to off seen a fine a fort and Dineed att a plase with a number of gentelman att the Kings head 31sta signal for sailing but the wind being Contary Could not gett oute of the Gutt

June Ist 1755

Sunday this morning Fair weather A Signall to Sail weighed anchor and histed Saile with a fine Fair winde and aboute sundown we Come in Sight of the french foart and then apeared fort Lawrance att Chekenector (Chignecto) all the way

from anopilis to this plase as if their had bin a hard shower of Rain this morning a shower of Rain then Clear and aboute 10 oClock orders for the Transports was ordered to go to fort Lawrance and att one oClock all the Transports all hoisted Sail and all army Landed Except a part of my Company which was a board the Ship

Ju 3^d this morning I Gave oute the arms to the Souldirs and then went aborde a Brig for to go on shore we Landed att fort Lawranc aboute sundown and marcht up to the fort and Joyned the army and Lodged sum in houses and sum in Barns and in tents.

 2^{d}

June 4th 1755

This morning the whole army was musterd att 4 oClock to march with 5 Days provition att 6 oClock the whole was Ready to march Six wagons and 4 field Peaces Six pounders Brass and then marcht on for a block house Called pintedebute (Pont à Buot) and as we marcht along the marsh with all our guns Looking very Bright and Souldir Like we saw sum hundreds of french and Indians Ran the other Side of the River to protect the french fort from us as we supposed and when we Came within aboute a hundred Rods Distance from the french fort we Came to a halt the advance party was ordered to make, a Bridge over the River as our people Began to Carry the timber to Cross the the River the french and Indians gave a grate shout and Came Running Down to stop our pass and and Emediately they fireed their Cannon from their fort And a Large number of Small arms att a much Less Distance than the fort was Capt Broom who Comd the Train fireed our Bras Cannon in 2 Minuates after they gave us the

Salute which Did grate Excution for the Bolets went in at one Side of their fort and oute att the other and then part of ye army of Coll Scots Battallion was ordered to march to a Dike which was over the marsh within Good gun Shot of the french and soon gave them sum thousand Shotts which made them Retreate into the woods and then Emediately by fireing our Cannon and small arms they sott fire to their fort and Building on fire aboute an Hours this Ingagemnt was which was very smart for the time and In our Engagement we Lost one man a Serjant of the Regulars and five more wounded and french Lost one man which we are Sertain for his Head was shott of by a Cannon Ball and since by Inteligenc from a Captive Taken since they Lost 14 more and after we had Taken the Ground wher they Burnt the fort the army stopt Refreshed themselves we march on for Beauseejure the french fort within aboute a mile and a quarter and then Camped I marched with my Company as a flank guard to the army this Night so near their fort but they made no attempt upon us this Night.

June ye 5: 1755

Fine weather the french Kept very still and orders Came to Clear a plase for to pitch our tents men went to work Lively we Cleared from the marsh over the hill itt being aboute half a mle and 50 Rod wide and began to make us tents and in the Evening itt Raind and aboute 10: oClock this Night we saw a Grate Light in the west which was the french settings their houses Round the fort on fire which was plasing to the army

This morning I was ordered to guard the vssells with a boute 60 men that was Coming up the Crick wit Provitions against the Camps which is aboute 2 mils from wher we Landed; the french and Indians Came from the french fort to Stop our vssels where they had Large Dikes to Cover them in their march they fireed severall Guns att the vessell with small arms and sum Cannon shott from the fort my party marcht in open vieu of the fort to the Dike where they Lay they fireed severall Guns att our party but Did no hurt to our vssels nor hurt men we gave them sum hunderd of shots and toock the Dike they fled from and Capt Cobb fireed a Cannon from his vessell and Killed one of the french and itt was thought sevral was wounded

7th

of June this morning a party of the french aboute 7 oClock Come from the fort to atack 2 Sloops that was Coming up the Crick who were Defeated by a party from the Camp and they fireing 2 Cannon from fort Lawrance was fireed which mad the french Retreate with the help of the guard they Come this Night and Shott upon the Sentery att the Camps but hurt none of our men

June ye 8th

this morning before the sun an houer high Ensign Hays Belonging to the Regulars was Taken by a number of french & Indians as he was Coming from fort Lawranc to the Camps This Day Collo Winslow with a party of 300 hundred men Cop. Stevens and I with our officers and Souldirs was with him the french Saw us Come from the Camp they Saleyed oute from the fort and Lay in ambesh for us within aboute half a miles Distance from the (fort) and when we Come to the Ground where we In trenched they fired Briskly and

and we gave and Receved sum thousand shots and the french fireed their Cannon from the fort but Did not Loos one man in this Engagement we toock a french Souldirs and wouned Severall as he Said and he Informs us that their is not above 350 fighting men in the fort this after(noon) the officer Sent oute a Flagg of truce the officier that Come was the man that Commanded att the Block house with a sergt: and a Drum the Commanding officer ordered the both Battallions to be Drawd up that the officer might see whatt number we had the french Desired Cessation of arms 12 Days

June 9th 1755

This' Day Raind severall showers the Orders for to Clear the Roade from the Crick to the Camp for gett up our artilery from the vessels which was aboute half a mile Nothing Remarkable this Day

- 10th this Day the Connon was Drawd up and the morters and a Large number of Shells and Connon Balls
- this Day 300 hundred of our men went oute to find a Road to Draw the Comnon to the trenches and the french saluteed Us with a number of Cannon from the fort
- 12th this Day orders for a Deteachment of our men of 300 hundred Coll. Scotts Commanded the party the french Sow our party march from the Camps and they Come out of the fort and waylaid our troops att a Rockey Hill wher our people was oblige to Go wher the Brush wer very thick our advance guard who was Commanded by Lt Alexander the french began the fire as our people Come upon the hill and Son began the Engagement which was very gallent on both sides for aboute an houre and half but we gott the Ground wher itt was thougt most proper to throw up our trenches one man Killid Maj^r Prebble and M^r Tounge wounded and 3 men more and when night Come on our men went to treneching and workt Exceeding well

13th the french began to fire their Cannon

and throw their shells the first shell they

flung Did not Brake they fire abote 50 shotts and this afternoon we began throw shels and Cowhorns which supprsed them Gratly no man hurt this Day I wrent to the trenches with a party Carry powder and Shells and upon my Return from the trench they fired Briskly as we Cleared the Road for to Draw the artilery

14th this Day the french Fireed 130 Shotts and Severall Bums att us but Did no Damag to us onely Spilte one of our Eight Inch morters by a Connon ball from the (fort) this Evening I went to trenches as a pilot to go with the waggons & Carts and Raind Exceding hard and when we Releved the other party grate many of the men got Lost itt being very Dark and Some of the men Did not Gett to the Camp till the Next Morning

15th the french fireed 169 Shots this Day they seemd very brisk in their fire and flung 16 Shells which was thrown Exceeding well

15th June

aboute 12 oClock we began to play Briskly upon the fort with 13 Inch morter which Did grate Execution we Sent them 12 Shells oute of the grate morter this after noon and Severall oute of the other which was very Disstresing to the french.

June ye 16th 1755

The french began to fire as usuall but Did not hold itt but a Shorte time and our Shells from our trench went into the fort so fast that they soon Left off fireeng and sent oute a flagg of truce And Desired Sesation for one houre and att the same time our morters wer all Loaded to fire into the fort if they Did not Come out

att the time they Come oute Severall times this Day and in the meantime the french and Indians Come and attackt our Camps and fireed att our Senterys a Large number of guns orders by the Commanding officer Immedeatly to stan to their arms which the men wer were very Brisk the Senterys was order to the guard and we fireed So fast that they was oblige to Retreate orders from Coll Munckton to me to Tak a party of men and Persue the Enemy our people fireed So well that we Killed the Chief Indian a Sagamore from the Island of Saint Johns which are Known by the name Mickmack he Liveed aboute 5 hours after he was Shott and behaved as bold as any man Could Do till he Dieed but wanted Rum and Sider which we gave him till he Dieed he was Shott throug the Bodey Just below his Ribs he was supposseed to be 6 feet And 2 Inches and very Large bond but very poor and itt was thought that sum more was wounded by the Signs of Blood

June 17th

this Day was Drawn oute 50 of our troops to Reenforce the garison with 250 Regulas this Night the french Came from the Bay of verts (Baie Verte) with a flagg of truce and surrenderd the fort and Delivered the Keys of the fort which which is aboute 16 miles from this fort by Entiligence from the french and to Morrow a party to go to take possession

June 18: 1755

this morning a Deteachment of 500 men Commanded by Coll Winslow to march to gasporow (Fort Gaspereau) to Take possession of that fort this afternoon Raind very hard 19th weather being fair the orders for Drawing the Cannon to the fort
20th this morning a Deteachment of 200 men to go with the trench teems to the bay of verts to Relive our men that went y^e 17th Instant this Day a number of the french

Came and Delivered themselves up as prisoners

up as prisoners

June 21th Nothing Remark

Nothing Remarkable the french people Come into the Camps for to Sell provition Such as milk and Eggs & fowlis and Straberys

June ye 22: 1755

Sunday the first Day that Mir Philips Preacht after we Come to this Land and whilst Mr Philips was att prayer a Gun went of axiden :tilly in by one of Souldirs in the tent his Gun was Loaded with 3 bullots and one of the Balls went through 16 tents but Did no hurt we thought itt had ben the Enemy Shott att the Sentery which Stopt the Servis of Divine worship for a fue minuates but son found oute the Disturbancs and M^r Philips went on with the Servis and his text in forenoon in 2^{d C} of timotey 8V^r in the afternoon 1st of Sam11 12C24V this Day being King georges Crownation Day the Connon was all fireed from the forts and then from the vessels att 12: oClock

June 23:

This Day Raind very hard the party Came in from the fort from Gasporoe and Complaind they had nothing but french porke to Eate which I am Certain is non pleasent

24th of June 1755

This Day was Exceeding Cold for the Season and itt was Reported ther was Snow

25th this Day I went to fort Lawrence by Reason of being very Ill with a fever and Flux

26 th Nothing Remarkabile Hoppens but Remaing in a bad State but Toock Phisieck which I thought itt helpt me

27th wind Southerly but the weathe very Cold

28 th Mr Philips went to prayer on the Parade and both Battallions attended

29 th this Day being Far M^r Philips preach both forenoon and afternoon

30 th weather fair itt is orderes that the people att gasporoe fort be Releveed by Cap^t Cobb of Coll. Winslows Battallion and Cap^t Jones of ours with their Company being the first Duty that Cap^t Cobb was ordered to Just Come from boston and his Cloaths Did not Loock Quite so soiled as ours that had ben in the Siage

July ye 1st 1755

itt Raind a Smart Shower but Cleared up pleasant

this Day nothing Remarkable but
after Dinner I went to 2 or 3 veleges
along with Cap^t Stevens and NT Philips
with aboute 20 Souldirs wher I Saw
a grate many french women and gorls
their Faces Loock well but their
feet Loock very Strange with
wooden Shoos which they all wore
but I Caried sum Rum and sugar
and had Severall Nogens of milk
punch and Returnd to ye Camp aboute Sundown
this Day Joshua & Caleb Come
rom the bay of verts who was Rel^d

by Cap^t Jones

4th Nothing Remarkable this Day

weather fair

July y^e 5 1755

weather fair but very Cold for the Season att Evening Coll Winslow Battallion the Souldirs beng Lowed no Rum the Battallion was in an uprore And Cried No Rum till Late in Evening till the Souldirs Gott to such a Degree that the officrs was oblige to go amongt the tents but Our battallion Did not Joyn them

- 6th Sunday M^r Philips Preach 2 Sermons his Text in the forenoon was in 11th; Cap^t of Ecke'eastis 12 verse in the afternoon in same Capter & 9 verse
- 7th nothing Remarkable but the weather very Cold for Sumner
- 8: three men ordered on to the woden Horse for Criing no Rum and sett 2 houres
- 9: nothing Remarkable
- 10 wind att no E Rains very hard

July
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- Nothing Remarkable the weather fair

 this Day we had News from boston by
 Maj^r Bourne and two of my men Come
 with him Ebenezer Philips and
 Levi Goodenough
- 13th this Day nothing Remarkable strong South winde
- 14th Fine weather and nothing Remarkable
- this Day very Hott for this plase the
 Flagg of Coll Winslow Battallion was
 Histed upon the News of hearing their
 was Severall french men of war
 Taken by admirall Boyskin (Boscawen) fleet
 and brought into Halifax with
 a Large number of french Troops
 this Day a Strong South winde
- this Day a Strong South winde and we have the News of Leaving this plase which would be very agreable to me

this Day was orders given oute that 50 men oute of Each Battallion to be Discharged the old the Sick and lame to parade to morrow morning att 10 oClock and among the Rest Ser^t Brigham of my Company and James Litch 18th this Day the weather fair and
Pleasent and according to yesterdays
orders and all the Sick and Lame was Drawd
upon the parade but a grate many
of them that Drew up was not Discharged
19th nothing Remarkable

20th Sunday Exceeding hott weather and Mr Philips preach and his was in mathew ye 19 Chapter 16 verse

2st Capt Adams Came from Halifax and we hope to hear the Good News of our Departure from this plase this Day the News was bad for New England Souldirs for they was ordered to Bring all their Chest oute of the vessels for they was Discharged from the Servis

July 23 1755

wather fair and I went to fort Lawrance with a number of my Souldirs went with me and as they Returnd to thee Camps David Fling one of my Souldirs upon his his Return to the Camps was Shott thorough his head by the Enemy as he Saith weather Cold we had News from the Fort att Gasporce that a man Riding from the fort to the vilege aboute a mile and a half as he was upon his Return to the forte the Indians we gh laid him by upon the Side of a Bridge and Shot the man and horse Dead upon the Bridge and in aboute 6 hours after the man was Killed the Comadant of the fort Capt Cobb Tock a hunderd men with him with a Connon and went after the Indians by Credible Informers He Lett the Indians gett fur a nuff of before he went up on persute of them

July 25th 1755

this morning 200 hundred men was sent to the Bay of verts with 3 days provitions this Day Serg^t Flimeng of Cap^t Malkem Company who Desarteed abote 3 weeks ago was brought in to the Camps

24th

26th

by a party of our men and Emediately Confind in the provost's in the fort itt is Expeted he will be shott 27th Sunday Doct Philips held forth both forenoon and afternoon his Text in forenoon Num^{br} 23 C & 10 v in afternoon mathew 23. Chapter 23 verse this Day a party of men Come from the fort Gasporoe 28^{th} weather pleasont and the men that was to be Descharged was Drawd up upon the parade for Coll Munckton to Examinine Sert Brigham was very much afraid he Should not pass muster for to go home and hung his head Down Like a bulrush 29 Nothing Remarkable

July 30 1755

this Day 100 men De teacht oute of the tow Battallion for to Clear the Ground att fort Cumberland for to Incamp upon we heard Severall Guns and toock to be french and Indians Coming to the Camp and we was all ordereed to Stan to our arms but this was soon over

31st Nothing Remarkable

August ye if 1755

this Day our tents att our old Camps were Struck and Removed to the North of the fort aboute { 150 } Rods Destance and thir Incampt

- 2^d Nothing Remarkable
- 3^d Sunday M^r Philips preacht before our tents from Jeremiah C 7: 17^V:
- this Day a Deteachment of a hundred and 50 men 22 men of the Rangers
 Capt Lewis Commanded the party and
 Cap^t malcom went with the Eregulars to the head of menas bay which was the their ordes

August ye 5 1755

this Day orders Come for a hundred men to be Deteacht from both batallions to be Ready to March to morrow morning att six oClock with Eight Days
Provitions this afternoon Coll munckton sent a Letter to me to Know wether
I would Command this party and Joyne
Cap^t Lewies att Cobequit I told him I was
Ready to obey his Commands but should not be Commandeed by a Cap^t Lewtenat he told me he Expected I should
Command the whole party
this morning att six a Clock I
Paraded the the party Lt Topley
from the Blew battallion and

6th

Ens willard of my Company as my officers and 100 private 38 3c 2 Drums and marcht from the fort aboute 9 oClock this morning and all the men in high spirits had 2 french men for my Pilots and marcht abote 2 miles and then went by water aboute 9 miles up to the River obare (Hébert) and then Landed after a grate Deale of Dificalty the tide Runing very Raped and the same Day Traveled aboute 5 mils and then Campt this Day Collo Munckton sent a frenchman with a Letter to me and he wrote to me he had News from Halifax and he gave me furtther orders which I was not to open till I Come up with Cap^t Lewis who went 2 Days before me march up the River macan aboute 9 mils wher we found Exculent marsh and in sum plases 3 or 4 mils wide with Large improvments and the best of Foule meadow Grass up to a mans midle then Crost the River and Traveled abote N E aboute 3 mils upon the same marsh and then steard East and Traveled about 4 mils upon upland and then Campt then marcht aboute Day light from the Camp and Traveled upon good upland and fine timber 15 miles and then Campt aboute Sundown

 7^{th}

 8^{th}

This Day Rayleed the party att 4 oClock and march on aboute south upon a Large streem (Moose River) aboute 3 mils and Eight a Clock Cum upon menas bay and thn Traveled abote 2 mils upon marsh Land and saw tow Houses upon the North side of the River and then Come to the opening of the bay to a plase Called the Black hils in the North side of the Bay the Bay here is abote 6 Leags wide and thn marcht along the Beach wher the Banks wer nigh 100 feet high the tide makeing such a Roaring I sent forward one of the french men to to Know wether we Could pas a pinte of Land that Run into the seae he went forward before the party a mile and Reternd much Supprisd the tide Coming So fast and he told me that if we Did not hury Back we should be all Drounded I ordered the party to Return back as fast as they Could the men being frighted Traveled as fast as posible We was oblige to Travell 2 mils before we Could Escape the tide and before We got to the upland where we Could gett up the Banks was oblige to waid in the Reare up to their midles and Just Escape being washed away and when Come to this Plase sum of the men very much fatigue and att this plase by the best observation the tides rise 80 foot here I Tarried till aboute 4 oClock in the afternoon I march on aboute 5 miles and a half upon the Bank to a plase Called Canomi wher we found 2 french familys and Severall Houses Deserted and got their aboute 10 oClock att Night wher the french was very Kinde

Agust 10: Sunday

this morning marcht from this velege Upon Marsh aboute 9 miles to vilege Coled pintepeak In Cobequid a Large numbe of Inhabitants Staid their and Refrshed our selves and marcht on aboute 7 mils to another vilege to an old french mans house and their Loged wher we was Kindly Entrtaind with milk and Buter

Monday august 11th 1755

This morning march of aboute 4 oClock in the morning to the Cheif plase in Cobequid to the mass house being 10 miles Got there att 2 oClock this Day and upon my march Mett a french man with a post from Cap^t Malkum with a Letter to Know who was Comeing but I sent no post Back to him and I

Came to the mass house and their found him with 40 men who was very glad to see me

N B: Coll munckton orders to go ute after the french and bring them into the forte brought in 9: and Large Drove of Cattle might of ben Servis to the troops if itt had ben prudenly Dune

August 12 1755

this Day Rested and Refreshed My
People with good Beefe & mutton
which the french Brought in to us
and Capt Lewis sent L^t Lawrence with 6 men
and Six french men to Pisgate (Piziquid) to
Cap^t Murry for to Gett Bread for
the party

N B: Large fires att the Camp which Could not be put oute for 3 weeks till a Large Rain fellf

August 13fh

This Day ordereed the whole party to march from the mass house 9 o clock all but a fue sick which was not able to Travel Left them in the Care of the

french People march abote 3 mils to a vilage this day Maj^r Preble Come in with his force and their stopt and Refreshed and ordereed 4 of the french to go along with their horses to Cary our porvitions the wather being very hott and ordered the others in the vilege to mak me 200 hundred wight of Bread which they Did as soon as posible and att 4 oClock I march on for Tatmagosh and Traveled aboute 3 miles and mett Cap^t Lewis with his party and then I opened My orders which was suprising to me for my orders was to burn all the houses that I found on the Road to the Bay of verts against the Island of Saint Johns Cap^t Lewis and L^t Archable and Lt Bowen was the officers Lewis was sumthing Blankt to think a New England Capt should Take Command of a Cap^t L^t of the Rangers and Emediatly he said he was much Fatigue with With his Traveling so much and Desired to have the Liberty of Cuming on to Cobiquid but I told h'm that I was oblige to measure the Roade from Tatmegoush to fort Cumberland and the Take ye pintes and then I ordereed a hundred men to be Drawd oute 100 men to go with me and the Rest to Return To the mass house and ordered L^t Bowen to go to pisegate for to gett provitions for the Souldirs which was aboute 100 miles by water after I Gave these orders in ve woods with much Trouble by Reason of the flies I marcht on aboute 2 mils and then Camp1 by a fine Stream for Troutes P S Coll preble Came into the camps with his party 2 Day ago

August ye 14: 1755

this Day Raleed the Souldirs by 4 oClock and marcht on to a french vilege and there we halted and Refressed att a french mans house Francis Boyes who Liveed Exceding well and a fine

Farm upon a River that Runs East to the Bay of verts Emtys into Tatmagoush Harbour this old french man Could Talk Good English and aboute 80 years of age and very Nimble and I told him he must go Tatmagoush but he Desireed to be Excused and he would send one of his sons and I told him he must be up to ye vilige to morrow with Eight good fatt sheep for the Troops he made answer I should have 20 if I wanted them and very Kinde then we marcht on for ye vilige and Come to Tatmegoush about 4 oClock this afternoon I Gave oute orders upon my arivell their to all the Inhabitants that I had orders from the Commander Coll. Munckton to show them and to see wether they was True Frinds to the English as they pretended to be the french askt me wether ye head men of the plase or Deputes would not answer as well I told them Now for I must seee every one of there Inhabitants they Said sum Liveed 3 Leagues of but I told them they must Emediatly Go to them or Else they would suffer upon this they Emedeatly went and warnd all the heads of familys and gave orders to them that they must be att my quaters Jona Blanchard tomorrow att 9 oClock and Every one went and told their Nighest Neighbour This day Coll Winslow went with 300 hundred of his Battallion To go to menas and pisgate for to Bring in the french in that part but Coll munckton would not allow Coll Winslow to carry ye Colours that belonged to his Battallion.

August 15th 1755

this morning all the french Came according to orders yesterday by Nine oClock Loock very Cherfull to hear what I had to say to them by my orders from Coll Munckton upon their arivell I Sent of Cap^t Lewis and Ensⁿ willard with 40 men to a plase 12 mils from this plase Capt Lewis with 20 men to go with Cannoos and Ens willard by Land with the othir to a Plase Called Ramshak with 2 of the french As pilots they marcht aboute 10 this morning After this party was gon I ordered the Sergts to see all the men Drawd up in a bodey and march to the house Wher the french were and then Searched Every House in ye Plase for their arms and found sum fine guns and then went in to the house after setting sentrys Round the house and told them that they must go with me to fort cumberland and Burn all their Buildings which made them Lock very sober & Dejected one of the french Askt me for what Reason for he said he Never had Taken up arms against the English Since they had the fight att menas and since swore by the bible that he Never would: before Maj^r Philips of anopilis: and he was Ready to swear now and all the Rest mad the same Reply: after this I told them they was Rebbelios the french man Askt me In what I answered him In harbouring the Indians from Saint Island Johns to go to the English Settlements in New England and novicotia and finde them provitions and ammonition which they answered me and Said they was oblige to or the Endians would Kill them I told them if they had ben true they might have ben protected by the English and I told them they might Cary their familys with them if they thought beest and upon that they ast me for to have the Liberty to go with their familys to the Island of Saint Johns but soon answered them itt Did not Lie in my power to Do itt and they askt me Liberty for

2 hours to Consult wether they thought Best to Cary their familys I granted them the Liberty and after they had Consulted with Each other they sent for me and they mad this Reply that they had shose to Leave their familys which I Readyly granted for I Did not want the Trouble of the women and shildren Beere was given this Day in Lew of Rum

August y^e 16: 1755

this Day Capc Lewis and Ens willard Returd with the party from Ramshack with 3 familys and Burnt Severall Houses about 12 oClock upon their Return I went with a Small party of men over a Large River Tatmagoush wher I Burnt 12 Buildings one of which was a Storehouse with Rum and malosas and Iron ware and another of Rum sugar & molasas & wine and a masshouse I ordered the men to Draw as much Rum as they had Bottles to Cary which they Did and sot fire to the Rest burnt all their vessels and Cannoos Except a Sloop of 70 tuns and a schoner of aboute 30 Loaded for Louisburge with cattle and sheep & Hoggs which was sent to the Bay of verts To the forts which was Taken by our party with Connoos who Behavd Like good Souldirs they shot a number of swivels and small arms but Did not hurt a man of ours and Boarded them whilst under sail and they soon struck to our Cannoos and there was a french officer Bound to Louisburge aborde the sloop who said he should be glad to have the Liberty to go to the Island of Saint Johns but Capt Lewis who Commanded the party told him he must first go to Coll. Munckton to answer for his Conduct which I was well pleasd with aboute 3 oClock this afterNoon I ordered the whole to be Drawd up

in a Bodey and bid the french men march of and sott fire to their Buildings and Left the women and children to Tack Care of themselves with grate Lementation which I must Confess itt seemed to be sumthing shoking I marcht on aboute 3 miles to an old frenchmas house wher he had Lived Ever since anopelis was Taken and Logeed their this Night and he Treated me very hansom but his wife Toock on very much att their Defecultys orders this Day giveen oute for majr Fry to march with 200 hundred men

August 17 1755

this morning Ralied aboute 4 oClock Sott fire to the houses in this vilige which was four houses & severall fine Barns which was well filled with good hay and then marcht on for Cobequid 22 miles and a half to a small vilege 3 mils from the mass house Gott here aboute 9 oClock this Night had no Bread to Eate for 2 Days being very hungry ordered the french to go to Baking Emedeately and Kill Cattle and sheep sufficient for the party which they Did as soon as posible the village is Called Nigagounsh (Nigaganich) with about 10 Buildings and fine Farms

N B this order for the Camps to be struck and moveed Close undere the North Side of the forte which was Done the Next Day.*

Tuseday August ye 18: 1755

this morning after we had got a suply of provition I march on for the head of Menas Bay through severall small viligees with a hundred men and Cap^t Lewis and L^t Laurance & Ens Prichard aboute 10 mils for to Measure Round the head of menas so that Cap^t Lewis might Tak a plan of the Bay to velige called

Daguio and their Loged

Wednesday ye 19th august

March on Round the head of Menas Bay where we Crost 2 Revers att abote 1 miles Distance of Each other with 20 Souldiers one of the Rivers Come in to the head of the Bay North E: the other from from the southe E marcht olong the South side of the Bay about 7 miles through several fine vileges where they had Large orchards and fine aples and good Indian Corn for the season but Last night their was such a frost as spilte their Indian Corn & tobacco and itt was my orders to Bring in all the Depetys of all the veleges and I went to the Deputys house where I was Kindly treated and gave all the Souldirs milk then marcht on aboute 4 miles to a vilege Called uper Le burke (Le Bourg) and all the french had Deserteed upon seeing us Cuming the Deputy went as a pilot for me and we Could not find one Person in the vilege Aboute 12 oClock I left this vilege and Returnd to another wher I Left a Sergt and 4 soulders to guard the Deputy that I ordered to go with one of the french men and told him that if the people Did not Come in and Lett me Know the Reason of their going of from their Houses and Bring me 12 sheep & 4 oxen I would burn all their Houses and Destroye the whole vilege and have no mercy upon them and Treat them as Rebbles Traveled this Day 24 miles with a party of 20 men & Cap^t Lewis Come upon the Beach for to take observation how the Bay Lay and I marcht upon upland with 80 men to the mass house aboute 10 oClock att Night and very much Fatigue

N B. this morning orders for to Intrench

Round the Camps aboute 40 Rods Distance from the fort and somthing more Remarkabele which I think is worth Remarking sum of our Souldirs went on to thi marcsh where the Cattle and horses where to gather sum green pees wher their was a grate plenty and Coll Munckton ordered them under guard

August 20th

this morning according to my orders yesterday that I Left with the french that Desarted their Houses vesterday and brought 12 Sheep and 4 good Fatt Cattle had all sheep and oxen Killed and Delevired onto to Each man 8 pounds to Each man and their Resteed and Refreshed our selves well Capt Lewis with 20 men to Survey the harbour against old Cobequid and Returnd in the afternoon with his party had the meet of one Francis Moyeys a french man and gave a Reecipt to the Deputy and they Expected to Riceve their money att fort Cumberland but much Messaken John Tubuare Brough 308 lb of beef this morning their was a grate up rore in the Camp Concerning the peese for itt was thought that Coll Munckton had much Rather the Cattle Should Eate the peess than the Souldirs that Come from New England or his one troops which by Credible Information of oure officers I thought itt very hard

August y^e 21 1755

this morning march from the church in Cobequid with 250 men and put Ser^t Beamon with the french in Cannoos to Cary our Bagage to a plase Called Pinte a peake and march through severall vileges 15 miles a Deputys Clode Petro and got their aboute Sundown this day Cap^t Probey of the sirene man of war Come in to this parte with severell

vesels from halifax and their was a Complaint of the french women that four souldirs had stolen goods from them and the whole battallion was Drawd up and their Kees were Demanded and their Chests were opened and Attwaters of Coll Scotts Company was the Rouge and Confineed Emedeately and 2 others Irishmen was all putt Into the Provost's in the fort (Cumberland)

22 of august 1755

this morning march from pinteapeak with the whole party Excepting 8 men who was Sick who I ordereed the french to Pisgate and sent on Serg^t Beaman with the provitions in the Connoos with the french people which I ordered to stop att Conimi and sent on four ox forward & sum sheep wher we Left the Beach and Come upon the upland we gott to Conimi aboute sunsett which is 12 miles from penteapeak

Nothing Remarkable att the Camps

August ye 23 1755

this Morning Raleed the party att 5 oClock and sent Back Sergt Beamon with the french to Gary the sick to Pisgate and then march on for the Blackhils att wheer we Left the Beach Marcht 5 miles and 3 quarters wher the Banks where 100 feet High And the tide Rose att this Plase 70 feett high and we Traveled on as fast as posibile and measered the way and the tide being so Rapard that we was oblige Leave measuring and go as fast as posible and the tide Comeing in So fast we had Liket to off Lost sum of ye party but all gott safe to the upland their we was oblegeed to Tarry 5 hourers by Reason of Goeing over another Crick and Gott a fine meale of

Cloms which Exceeding good and then March on aboute 4 miles and then Encamped aboute Darke upon a Rever where itt Emties into the North side of the bay River Debar (1)

August ye 24: 1755

Sent of from the River Debar
L^t Archable of Cap^t Gorham
Ranging Company with 40 men
and Rote a Letter to Coll Munckton
to Lett him Know that I was on my
Jorney to fort Cumberland with the
whole party marcht on this Day
9 miles and a half and Incampt this
Day halted aboute 12 oClock Cap^t Lewis
Caught a fine mess of troutes for
Dinner which was very good.

August ye 25 1755

this Day ordered the people to be ready to Swing their packs by 5 oClock itt Raind this very hard for aboute an houre then Cleard up pleasant then march on through fine upland where we saw fine timber march 7 mils and a half then Campt aboute sundown and gave oute orders fer Every man to be Ready to march att Brak a Day Next morning

August 26: 1755

this Day march by 4 oClock aboute 4 miles to the Rever Cokine and then march on aboute 6 miles in very Bad Traveling wher the Briars upon the marsh very thick and Come to the River ebeare march by the side of the River 2 mils Saw a Cap^t Cobb with a number of boates to Cary us to fort Cumberland who I was very Glad to see and I Drank a Dram with him which was very Exceptable for had no liquor for sum Day Besides warter and he told us the Bad News of generall Braduk att

ohio then traveled 2 mils to another Large River and ferved our 100 of our paty to go to fort Laurance by Land for we had not Boats anuff for to Cary ye whole party I Comes by water with 150 of the troops put Capt Malcum by Land with the other aboute sundown we Landed att fort Cumberland Creek and then march up to the forte with my party and come to the forte to Coll Munctons Tent aboute 9 oClok this Evening wher I was Kindly Treated and much pleased with my supper who seamed to be well satesfied with my Conduct and aboute 11 or twelve I went to my tent and found all well in health Brough with me 22 french prisoners and Delevred them up

August y^e 27th this morning Maj^r Frye went on Board with 200 hundred men to go up to Sheperdy (Shepody) to Tak burn and Destroy all the french in that part of the world

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this Day Come in a Breginteen from halifax and 5 Saild oute of this Plase of the Transports that Come for to Breng the troops from New England

29th of August a party paradeed to go to the Bay of verts but Raind very hard that we could not Keep our selves Drye in our Tents

August the 30th

this morning sumthing Souery In ye after noon our party marcht to the Bay of verts this Evening Come in from halifax the Choplin of anopilis and Chigeneto and severall other gentelmen but No News

August 31st Sunday fair

weather the Regulas where all Imbodied for to attend the publick worship and the 2 Battallions where Drawn up with them and the Choplin of the Regulas preecht in fore noon and M^r Philips in the afternoon

Sep^t lst 1755 Nothing Remarkable

Sep^t 2: 1755

this Day the wind very high att Southwest Majr Freye Come in with his party who had ben gon 7 Days from the Comp he Brought in aboute 30: women and children from Sherberdy and petitojack (Petitcodiac) as they was Burning the mass house the Enemy Lay in ambush for our party Consisting of 50 men the party of french and Indians the number they Could not tell but itt was thought there was 200 hundred they fireed att our people upon a surprise and Killed Doct March and 23: men in the Engagement and wounded L^t Billens and 5 Soulders but not mortal they Killed oute of my Company Will^m Hutsond from Lancaster and wounded Hezekeah Stowell of Worcester

Sept 3d 1755

this Day Reterned Cap^t Gelbert from Gasporee who Burnt that vilege yesterday and Brought the women and Children with them and their furniture this Night the wach fireeed upon y^e Enemy as he saith

- very hard we are not able to keep our selves Drye in our tents
- 5th this Day weather fair the Talk is their is an army of french and Indians Coming upon our tents and we are now in prepration for to Reeve them
- 6th Rand very hard this morning and thundered their was News Come that their was a Large body of french and Indians to attack fort Lawrence the Battallions was soon Raisd Cap^t Pery with 50 men was ordired to go to fort Lawrence to their asisistance No Enemy opears this Night

Sunday Sep^t y^e 7: 1755 Nothing Remarkable

- 8th this Day our Intrenchment was ordered to be Dugg wider and Deeper which was Round our Camps
- of sum french or Indians over the
 Creek towards Tantarmar and in the
 Evening they mad a fire which Loock
 Tar on fire att aboute 10 or 11 att Night
 Sum of our senterys fireed his gun
 severall times Concludieng the Enemy
 was Come upon us Both Battallions
 was Emedeately in their trenches
 in 5 minuates time I belive 600 men
 after this their was no more
 Disturbance this Night
- 10: fine weather Sum thing Remarkable
 L^t Haskall was Cap^t of the guard
 one hadley a souldire one of his
 senterys Like to of Kiled him and
 Ser^t gates if he had fireed of
 his gun He Clop^t his Gun to the
 L^t Brest and Swor by God he would
 Kill him and he was much put to his trumps
 to Escape his Life

wether fair and hott in the after noon a party of men was ordered to go on board the Transports to gard the french

- 12th Nothing Remarable onely the weather fair and itt was Said by many that their was a flagg Histed att tanamar (Tintamare) upon the mass hous about 7 miles from this forte which we Concluded their was a Large army
- 13th this Day very showery 300 men att work upon the forte upon the Glassie.
- 14th Sunday M? Philips preacht and itt was Coll Scotts orders that Every man should go to meeting and those that was found in thir tents should be oblige to pay a shilling strling for such Neglect

Sept 15: 1755

Cloudy in the forepart of the Day but Cleared up towards Evening Maj^r Prebell with 300 men besides offecrs to march aboute sundown for Gasporou Capt Stevens Alexander and my self went oute of Coll Scotts battallion with a number of others with Eighteen Rounds for Each man and Guns very Clean

- this morning aboute 8 oClock thee party arived att fort gasporoe and found all well and Staied there this afternoon and I Liveeed very weell upon port wine that Cap^t Cobb Got from the french
- 17th this morneing we marcht from the fort Gasporoe to the vilege aboute 1 mile and half Distance from the forte and sott fire to the vilege where Cap^t Cobb was ordered for to fire or three wieks

before but for the sake of plunder he Did not according to orders form the Coll^o

after we burnt up the vilege we marcht to a Plase Called olake aboute 10 miles and we saw severall french with a Cart and horses with goods to cary of but they seeing the party Left their teems after this Coll prible ordered the party to march 3 Deep for we saw a Large Number of french and Expected to be attack we march on aboute 2 miles and we saw nothing of the french and sott fire to the vilege wher their was aboute 70 Buildings and then Returned to olake where we sott fire to 120 Buildings and then marcht for the forte to another vilege aboute 2 miles and itt Raind very harde and their we stopt and Killed aboute 60 fine sheep and the french Left porke and fine Cabege in their yards we Liveed very well but Raind very harde all Night

this morning Raind very hard but itt was thought best to march by Coll prible we sott fire to the vilige wher we Loged aboute 30 houses and march on aboute 2 miles and sott fire to 40 houses more

Sp^t 18: 1755

betwen olake and the forte we Come to forte aboute 4 oClock Like Drowened Ratts to oure tents the tents almost Beeate Down with the storm so that itt was no better Liveing In them than oute in the Rain their was a Requst by the officers that the souldirs should Go into the forte for to Keep them from the storm but Coll Munckton said that their was no Room for the Souldirs and Coll Scott and Maj^r prebel mad the second Tryell and prevaild upon the Coll that he said half of Each Battallion might Go in and all the Officers but I being oute

all Day and their seemd to be so much oppesion I staeed all Night in the tents with maj^r frye and past the time with pleasure with him and Never Slept one wink this night and a french man Ran away from the fort

Sep^t 19: 1755

this morning weather fair but very Cold the Battallion was ordered to be paraded and reviewed att 3 oClock and Every man was to be Compleated with 12 Cartriges and their Guns Clean

- 20th Cloudy and Cold Coll Scott gives Liberty to Every man might build hutts fer to Keep themselves from the Cold
- 21: Sunday M^r Philips preacht in forenoon the weather being Cold Did not hold forth no more this Day
- 22: weather Cloudy and Cold nothing more Remarkable

Sep^t y^e 23 1755

this Day a packett from Halifax and a party from the Bay of verts for a Docter for We are Informd that the People are very Sickly

- 24th this Day Cloudy a Brigenteen Sailed for menas
- 25th this Day Cloudy and In the vevening it Raind
- 26th this morning Cap^t Adams Come from Halifax with a packett and orders Come for Every man to to Secure his arms and Clean and to be parade Next morning by Brake of Day

27*h this Day weather fair and warm a party of men 15 fifteen oute of Each Company in Both battallions to be Ready to march to Morrow morning att Six oClock

Sept 28 1755

this Morning being Sunday the party Marcht for Gasporo with provitions

29th Cloudy in the morning but Clears up in the afternon a vessell Came from Boston with the good News of the victory Gaind att Ground Pointe by our army under the Command of Coll Johnson

this Day orders were for all the army to be paraded and the Guns all to be firered att 12: oClock in garisons and after they was fireed in fort Cumberland they fireed all their Cannon att fort Lawrence and then ye Ships of war fireed for Joye for the Good sucksess of our army

October ye 1: 1755

weather fair but the men Sickly in camp

- 2^d Nothing Remarkable
- 3^d Nothing Remarkable this Day
- 4th weather Cloudy but no Rain
- 5th Sunday Doc^{tr} Philips Preacht in the forenoon but weather being Cloudy and misty Dismist the people in the afternoon

6th wind Blows very hard att South ye which was bad for the Shiping that Lay of in the harbour a ship of 200 tun parted hur Cabels and Drove a shore commanded by Capt Crathorne Came to carry of the french

this Day itt was Coll Muncktons orders that Each Company Should be Drawed upon the parrade to 1 Know would List for theree years into the Regular troop to my Grate surprise to think he would attept such a thing as to List oute of Regiment Into another before they had their Discharge I Drawd up my Company up upon the Parade and told them their was oppertuny to List but I Did not Incorage the affair but told them to Consider what was best for they Listed and then Dismist the Company

 8^{th}

this Day Coll munckton put out his Sergts Drums to beate up for Volenters in the Camps for to Inlist into his majisties Servis they first marcht through with Coll Scotts Battailion and Listed severall men and Every man they Listed they Regulars Gave 3 wazers and march on to the other Battailion and Beate their Drums but Maj^r Preblee Bid them Disporce and be gon oute of the Battallin and askt the Sergt who gave him order He Replied the Commander and He told him to go of the Sergt went and told the Coll and he was very mad and sent for ve Majr and askt him how he Dare Presume to Disobey his orders he told him as he had the Care of the battailion he was Determined to Keep Good orders and he thought the Coll might Dun him the Honour before he sent his sergts to Lett know of none what he was aboute & Munkton was roath and told the maj^r he must answer

- for his one Conduct and this Concluded and then they went on Listing as before.
- 9th Cap^t Rowse Come in here from Halifax and Nothing Remarkable
- 10th weather fair a sloop from Boston and a Large party of men and 7 teems to go after wood to the vilege aboute 2 miles Distonce
- 11 Nothing Remarkable
- 12 Sunday no Preaching by Reason of Cold weather
- 13th Comadore Rowse Saild with the french Prisoners and Raind very hard att Night
- 14th the weather very uncomfortabl water in oure tents up to our ankles and very Mudy aboute the tents
- 15th the Sergf and Souldirs Determine to go and Kill sum Cattle Lett the Event be what itt will by Reason of their provition being so poor

October y^e 16:

- Nothing Remarkable this Day
- 17th Ens Brewer wente oute with aboute 30 men to Seee what Discoury he Could make
- 18th Ens Brewer Come in he sow one french man but Could not Take him
- 19th Sunday weather fair but no preaching Ens Brewer in the Evening marcht to Tantarmar
- 20th Nothing Remarkable
- this Day itt Rains and Exceeding Cold weather Serg^t James Houghton of my Company Dieed this Day who was much Likt by Both officers and Souldirs in the whole Battallion
- fair weather And somthing pleasant
 Ens Brewer went oute with 18 men
 and 250 men from fort Lawranc was
 ordered for a scoute and Nothing more

Remarkable

October ye 23:

this is another very Rainy Day which is very Common Ens Brewer Come in with his Party and Brings Entelegence he sow aboute 4 french and Endians up att olake the Indians Hollowed and shouted but they Did not attack his party the Rain Came on very hard and so Left the Enemy

- 24 the Enveleeds were all paraded att

 Doc^t Kast tent and those that where

 Descharged was Commonded by L^t Trumbill

 to fort Lawrance
- 25 this Day Sum Snow and very Cold
- 26: this Day Cap^t Stevens and Let Willard and 100 privates went from the Camps aboute sundown in persute after some french
- 27: Cap^t Stevens with his party Returnd and all that Caught was one ox and 2 or three Calfs which was good meet

October ye 28 1755

nothing Remarkable Hoppins this Day

- 29th Capt Rowse Saild from anopilis with the fleet to Cary of the french by ancoumpt I Receved from Lt Haskall this Eveneing Capt Stevens went oute with a party of 150 on persute of the french that Lye Lirking in the villeges but aboute Midnight itt began to snow very hard and he was oblige to Return home the
- 30th Capt Stevens Returnd in with his party and Killeed severall Cattle and Brought in with them itt snowed very hard and winter Like wather

November ye 1st 1755

this Morning pleasent weather but in the afternoon very Cold

2^d Sunday Serg^t Houghton this Day Carieed Into the Hospitall

November y^e 3: 1755

Raw Cold weather and Exceeding Muddy in our Camps

- 4th Nothing Remarkable but very Bad porke for the Souldirs which the french Left in their Stores
- 5th Cloudy this morning but not Cold
- 6th this morning all the Boys was ordered att Coll Muncktons Marke and Drawed up and 5 of them were Descharged oute of our Battallion

7th the wather fair and pleasnt
No: 8th Sunday but no preaching
but the Mud up to our Keese
in som part of the Incampment

November y^e 9: 1755

the wind Sou: w: and very foggey

- 10th much Rain this Day and bad stiring in the Camps
- 11th nothing Remarkable but Rains almost Every Day
- 12th a fogey forenoon and mist but fine Pleasant sunshine in the afternoon
- 13: Clear Cold Morning we heard att the Camps a Large number of guns fireed over att a plase Called wescock abute 3 miles Distance which was fired by the french and Indians

att 5 sailers which went over to Gett fresh meet and Cabeeges and turnips and whilst they was in ye yard the Enemy fired upon the Sailers and shot one throug ye Rist but all Escaped.

this after noon Coll Munckton ordered two partys of 150 men Cap^t Stevens to Command the one party and I the other Cap^t Stevens to Go Round the head of the marsh and I overr the River wescock att the head of the bay and to meet att a villege Tantarmar

13: 1755

Nov^m we marcht of with our partys aboute sun Down and I went aborde Capt Rogers Sloop but the wind being Contary I was oblige to march 2 miles upon the Marsh and then the party was put over in boats to wescock aboute 10 oClock we all Got safe over the River with much fatigue and then march up to the villege 2 miles and Divided my Company into severall partys and surrounded the Houses but found no french and then march on aboute 4 miles to a small vilege between wescock and Tantarmar aboute Brake of Day after Travaling 3 mils midleg high in water and and mud Ice which Cut our Leggs very much and then halted and Eate sum victuals but Cold and snowing but Dare not make a fire for fear of Loosing our Enterprise

about sun Rise I march on being very Cold the men all most stiff Traveled aboute 2 miles I saw wher a Cart had past the Evening before and followed to where I found the oxen and Carte. Emediately souround the howses but found no french in thir houses but Going into the barn where the teeme was I saw Large quantity of wheet in the barn all Cleand up and the Cart fitted up for to Carry itt of and upon this I Ordered four small party to weighley the Barn upon 4 Roads Expecting they would soon be after their teem and wheet and Marcht the Main

Bodey into the woods about 80 Rods and sot out sentervs. and in aboute an houre we heard som french Talk at some Distance att sum Distance and att the Same Instant the sentery saw a french man Come through a Thickett of wood Corp¹¹ paterson Cockt his gun and bid the frenchman to Come to him the Man marcht on towards him and seeing him Come up to I spoke to paterson not for to shoot and he understood what I said and paterson Toock his gun from his face and bid the french come up to him and when he saw that he told paterson in Inglesh that he would not and turned and Ran in a thickett which he made his Escape.

Nov^r 14 1755

I then march on with the whole party for Tantamare and Come to the vilege aboute 11 oClock seeing an Number of people Concluding itt was Cap^t Stevens party seeing severall men upon horses and in plain sight I marcht within aboute 50 Rods sent oute Corp¹ foster with 5 men to see whoo. they was he Come within a few Rods of the Houses where they were and he found they was french Killing and Roasting of mutton but Discovering oure people toock to their heels and Ron Into the woods our men fireed 2 guns att them one of them fell Down but we Dont Know as he was hurte and after I found itt was not Cap^t Stevens party whoo was to meet me this Day with 150 men Put me under much Concern for feare he was Cutt of by the Enemy for itt was Coll Muncktons Orders that Capt Stevens and I should meett with our party this morning att the mass house I Expecting to meet with the same fate that I feared Capt Stevens had

meet with by sum Large party of french and Indians sott oute senterys on Every quarter and ordered Cap^t Spikeman with the Rest of the offices to plase the men in 3 Logg houses which was Nigh to Each other a and then made fires and went to Roasting the mutton that the french Left which gave the whole party a fine meall which was very fatt and Cabbege and turnups plenty for 500 men a month and after Dinner I sent oute severall small partys to see if they Could Discover anny Large number but Returnd in a fue houres and made no Grate Discovry L^t Willard with 40 men for Guard this Night aboute midnight one of the senterys hald a frenchman as he Laid tow but he made him no answer and he fireed of his gun upon that I Immediately ordereed the whole to stan to their arms but Sow no more this Night of the french.

November ye 15: 1755

this morning I was under sum Concern for Cap^t Stevens party Expecting he was Cutt of by the Enemy Knowing him to be Resolute where he under takes I Cald the officers together to Consult what was best to be Done and put oute a Small party to see if they Could Discover anything the party Returnd about 11 oClock but made no Discovery I then Saving to the officers itt would not Do to Tary here any Longer and burne the vilege lett the Event be what itt will Draweed up the whole party into a body and told Every man to stand upon his Guard for we well might Expect the Same fate as we supposed Cap Stevens had mett with and they seemd to be well Disposed and I Gave orders to Lt Cone to Draught 20 men and sett fire to the vilege he burnt a boute 20 houses withoute any mollistation march on aboute half a mile and the advanc Guard halted and said they saw a Large party Comeing from Towards wesscock and Emediately we found itt to be Cap^t Stevens party which was grate Rejoyceing to see all well after Capt Stevens party Refreshed we marcht on for Wescock and burned Eighty seven houses in Tantarmar and burnt on our march between tantarmar and wsscock about 70 houses and we Gott to wscock aboute sundown where we mett Capt Hill with a hundred Regulars troops within 3 mile of fort Cumberland to oure Assistance itt being sumthing Remarkable to see them for itt being the first time Since we Came into this Land and we camped att wescock Coll Scott Maj^r Prebble and Maj^{er} Bourn Came with 350 men to oure Assistance

Nov^r 16: 1755

weather pleasant and fair Coll Scott ordered provitions to be Killed for aboute 700 hundered men beef pork Mutton and the whole to be Ready to march att four oClock this afternoon for memberemcoock we march this Night att ten oClock all but aboute 50 men who Said they was Invaleeds And Could not Travell Cap^t Cobb and L^t Trumbell Left to Command that party who Saey they are not able to Preform sutch a fatigue by Reason by Reason of their being Lame &c

Novm^r y^e 17

This morning being much Fatigue with Traveling all Night through Swamps and Brooks Came upon the vilege att membromcock which was 10 miles from wescock was Just att Brake of Day itt was Coll: Scotts orders that Every officer Should Take his Deteachment as he marcht and surround the Houses in the vilege as soon as posible which we Did Immediate Immediately we found Eight person in one house all women and Children and 2 french men gott away but the women semd to be much surprised by seeng so many people there Co^{II} Scott ordered that all the houses should be Burnt and that all the Cattle and sheep should be Colected together aboute 250 Kattle & 50 sheep which we Brough of and a Large number of Horses aboute 1 oClock we marcht from Membrumcoock and Come to wescock Aboute 9 oClock att Night this Night I took a party 32 men oute of Cap^t Stevens and mine and went out up on the plundering Estableshing aboute 3 miles from wescock and found severall good feather beds and severall other things when they sold Come to 4 shilling per man and Reetund aboute Brake of Day

Nov^m v^e 18

weather fair and not Cold a party of 300 men was ordereed to Tantramar Commanded by Maj^r Pribble to bring in all the Cattle and horses they Could find which was aboute 10 oClock they marcht

Nov^m 19th 1755

this Day Maj^r Pribble Returnd with aboute 150 Cattele and a Larg number of Sheep and Swine

 20^{th}

this Day all the Boates were ordered up the Creek to wescock to cary all the troops over and also the vessels and their was a party of 60 men Ordered to Go on to the marsh to Bring all the Cattle to fort Cumberland and they Drove about 500 hundred Cattele Sheep and Hoggs and the tide being so Rapid we Could not Recover but aboute 200 hundred on fort Cumberland sum went so fur up the Creek that they Got Clear but aboute 100 hund Returd up Wescok side and itt was Coll Scotts orders to Kill Every one of the Cattle upon the spott and sum we shott others we knocked Down till we had Killed them all and Left all but 7 or 8 to Rott upon the Ground and then and then sott fire to the vilege which was aboute 100 Buildings in westcok and then marcht for fort cumberland Crick and Crost with much Trouble and Gott to fort Cumberland about 9 oClock this Night

Novm^r y^e 21

this Day a party of men was sent on to the marsh to Bring all the Cattle to the fort L^t Henery young Brown Commanded the party the Cattle being wild he Could not Drive them he fireed away upon them and Killed one and Coll Monckton sent Down another party to Confine those that went first and Both officer and Souldiers were Confind

N B: the Court marcall was held
Capˆ Stevens president and the
men Tryed and all acquited by the
Courte and by the Conduct itt seems
that the Coll had Rather Lett
the Cattle Gett away than to suply
the troop with fresh meete and what
we Brough in Gott away Except whatt the souldirs
Killed unbenone to the Commanding
officere which the Biger parte I belive
Lived very well for fresh meate
for the space of 2 months

Novm^r 22.

Nothing Remarkable

N 23 Sunday Eight men oute of Each
Company for Kings works

Nov^r 24 this Day a warm Rain for y^e season

Novm^r 25

this Day Coll Munckton Toock his
Departure and Left this plase: and
the Regulars and Both battallions
were Drawed up in Line fron the
fort Down towards the marsh and all the
officers in a Line to waite upon him
to the water side he marching
through as he past the others of
Both Cores macht along with him
and Down upon the mash we Drank
a Departing Glass of wine and
so toock fair well In hopes of better
times P. S No better afterwards but Liveing in
tents

Nov^m v^e 26: 1755

weather Cold Snow in the fore noon but fair in the Latter part of the Day

Nov^m y^e 27: weather fair and Cold & nothing Remarkable

 $Nov^m y^e 28$

Nothing Remarkable this Day 29 Cloudy Cold weather

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Sunday this Day Coll Winslows battallion Imbarkt for Halifax

December y^e 1: 1755

this Day Coll winslow Battallion sailed for halifax

 $Dcm^{r} y^{e} 2^{d}$

Nothing Remarkable but Cloudy and Cold

Dem^r ye 3:

Exceeding Cold weather

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Nothing Remarkable

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One of the gunners and 3 Regulars was oute a plundering and was Taken by the Indians att 4 miles Distance from the fort

December ye 6:

snows in the forenoon and Clear of in the afternoon

 7^{th}

Sunday weather fair and not Cold

 8^{th}

warm wather for the time of ye year and Rains and in the Evening the wind Blowd Exceding strong from the south

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the wind att south and warm

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and Continues

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very Cold and snows all Day
12 Nothing Remarkable

Cap^t Stevens Company and Cap^t Gilberts

Dcm^r Company Goes into ye Baraks

13 after lying in Camp six months

Sunday warm weather for the season Coll Scott Gives oute orders that all the troops shall go into the fort for the futer to see if their arms are all Clean and Neet and be Revued

Dem^r y^e 15 1755

warm wather all the teems in the place wer mustereed for to Bring wood for the brew house & 100 Regulars to guard which is the first time.

16th

this Day the wather warn the New England troop guard the teems for wood

 17^{th}

very Cold sum more of the troops goes into the Barcks to Live

18

wather Cold and no wood to burn

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19th

the weather very Cold this Day I Mooved Into the Barraks to Live in a Large open Room onely Inclosed and Single floors which was very uncomforttable but Good Company in our mess

 20^{th}

the biger part of my Company Came Into the Barraks to Live

21

Sunday this Day very Cold toock oute sum beding for my Company this Day our men Toock the quarter guard and the Regulas Keep guard in the forte

22

weather cold our party Came in from gasperoe much fatigue and severall men frose in ther feet Aaron Allen and Eleakim Hutchins Left ther of my Company Sick

Dem^r 23: 1755

This Day was moderate and In the Evning itt snowd this Day snowd and Exceding Cold this morning one of the train Found Dead betwen the Regular vilege and the fort itt was suspected that he was hurt for the sack of his money for he was seen to have L7 pound in his pockett the Day Before

this Day the weather fair but Exceding Cold the New England troop was obleged to go Into the woods to Draw wood for the garison which they thought itt hard a vessel Arived her from New England and this Day the Harbour frose up

26 New England troops oblege to Draw wood Every Day

27th all the troops of a guard ordered for wood

28th Sunday weather fair a schooner that went from hear 7 Days ago Drove bak by the stress of weather and want of Conduct much Damnifid by Ice

29th Nothing Remarkable but go for wood

30th snows in the morning and thaws in afternoon

31st nothing Remarkable but very Cold

January ye 1: 1756

Fort Cumberland January ye ist 1756 This Day fine weather Co^{II} Scott with a number of Regulars officers had a Barbeque upon an Island betwen'fort Cumberland and fort Lawrance before they Broke up they was fild with Drink

January y^e 2: 1756

this Day weather fair and Cold a party of Sixteen men was Deteacht from Each Camp: to gett wood for the Barreks and freeed from other Duty

 3^{d} this morning Ens Briwer and his party march toward wescock with 7 Days provitions and Each man Drest in french & Indian Dress for a Decove this after noon Orders Come for me to go to Gasparoe with 4 subs officers and 100 private men for to guard the provitions this Night a number of offices had a Grate Carose att Co-1 Scots that we Browk All his glases and china ware whch was aboute 10 poind value 4^{th} wather very Cold and I marcht of with the party for Gasperoe and several of the men frose their feet we got to the forte with 30 sleads aboute 10 oClock att Night after much fatigue with bring Deade Cattle on fer to Draw 16 mils

January ye 5 1756

this Day Stayed with Maj^r frye & Jones who was Both Ill but Revived much att our Coming to bring them sumthing that was fresh.

 6^{th}

Cloudy the weather warm for the Season I marcht the party marcht from Gaspore aboute 10 oClock.