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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 Ye men and then went

to Concord and supt att Rows aboute

sun sett the Reconing was £ 6 pound

April ye 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 Cgy

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

22d I paid the men from the time of

their Inlestmnt to 14th off Aprill Instant

23d 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 ye

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 2d 1755

This Day David Atherton Died one of my

Souldirs after a short fitt of sickness.

3d 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

14 th this Day I went a Board with

Ensn Willard & 45 of my Company

Capt 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

Capt Probey Read Prayers and and

Sermon and the Ships Crew was as

oblgid to attend and in the Eveing

Majr 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

2lst wind Contary N E nothing Remarkable

22nd 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

23 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

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

25th  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

26th we mad Land att anopilis this afternoon

a Lad of Capt Rouses fell oute of His Ship

which was aboute 25 Rods from oure vssell

Capt 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

29th we 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 Expcteed to off seen a fine

a fort and Dineed att a plase with a number

of gentelman att the Kings head

3lst a 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

2d 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 3d 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.

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

June the 6th 1755

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.t Stevens and I with our officrs

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 officre 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

11th 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 Majr Prebble and Mr 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 ye 17th Instant

this Day a number of the french

Came and Delivered themselves

up as prisoners

June 21th 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

Mr Philips went on with the Servis

and his text in forenoon in 2d C of timotey 8Vr

in the afternoon 1st of Sam11 12C 24V

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

27 th 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 Mr Philips preach

both forenoon and afternoon

30 th weather fair itt is orderes that the people

att gasporoe fort be Releveed by

Capt Cobb of Coll. Winslows Battallion

and Capt Jones of ours with their Company

being the first Duty that Capt 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

2d this Day nothing Remarkable but

after Dinner I went to 2 or 3 veleges

along with Capt 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

3th this Day Joshua & Caleb Come

rom the bay of verts who was Reld

by Capt Jones

4th Nothing Remarkable this Day

weather fair

July ye 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 Mr Philips Preach 2 Sermons

his Text in the forenoon was in 11th;

Capt 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 11 = 1755

Nothing Remarkable the weather fair

12th this Day we had News from boston by

Majr 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

15th 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

16th this Day a Strong South winde

and we have the News of Leaving

this plase which would be very

agreable to me

July ye 17th 1755

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 Sert 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

24th 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

26th this Day Sergt Flimeng of Capt Malkem

Company who Desarteed abote 3 weeks

ago was brought in to the Camps

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

Numbr 23 C & 10 v in afternoon mathew

23. Chapter 23 verse this Day a party of

men Come from the fort Gasporoe

28th 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

2d Nothing Remarkable

3d Sunday Mr Philips preacht before

our tents from Jeremiah C 7 : 17V :

4 this Day a Deteachment of a hundred

and 50 men 22 men of the Rangers

Capt Lewis Commanded the party and

Capt 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

Capt Lewies att Cobequit I told him I was

Ready to obey his Commands but should

not be Commandeed by a Capt Lewtenat

he told me he Expected I should

Command the whole party

6th this morning att six a Clock I

Paraded the the party Lt Topley

from the Blew battallion and

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 Capt

Lewis who went 2 Days before me

7th 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

8th then marcht aboute Day light from

the Camp and Traveled upon good upland

and fine timber 15 miles and then Campt

aboute Sundown

August ye 9: 1755

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 Capt 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 Lt Lawrence with 6 men

and Six french men to Pisgate (Piziquid) to

Capt 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 Majr 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 Capt 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

Capt Lewis and Lt Archable and

Lt Bowen was the officers Lewis was

sumthing Blankt to think a New England

Capt should Take Command of a

Capt  Lt 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 Lt 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 ye 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 Capt

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 Majr 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 ye 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

Capt Lewis and Lt Laurance & Ens Prichard

aboute 10 mils for to Measure Round the

head of menas so that Capt 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 & Capt 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 yesterday

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

N B 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 ye 21 1755

this morning march from the church

in Cobequid with 250 men and put

Sert 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 Capt 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

Sergt 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

Lt Archable of Capt 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 Capt 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

Capt 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 feryed 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 ye 27th this morning Majr 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

28

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 Mr Philips in the

afternoon

Sept lst 1755

Nothing Remarkable

Sept 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 Lt Billens and 5 Soulders

but not mortal they Killed oute

of my Company Willm Hutsond

from Lancaster and wounded

Hezekeah Stowell of Worcester

Sept 3d 1755

this Day Reterned Capt 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 ye Enemy

as he saith

4th Nothing Remarkable but Rains

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 Capt Pery with 50 men

was ordireed to go to fort Lawrence

to their asisistance No Enemy opears this Night

Sunday Sept ye 7: 1755 Nothing Remarkable

8th this Day our Intrenchment was

ordered to be Dugg wider and Deeper

which was Round our Camps

9lh weather fair and we maid a Discovery

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

Lt Haskall was Capt of the guard

one hadley a souldire one of his

senterys Like to of Kiled him and

Sert gates if he had fireed of

his gun He Clopt his Gun to the

Lt Brest and Swor by God he would

Kill him and he was much put to his trumps

to Escape his Life

Sept 11: 1755

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 Majr 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

16th 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 Capt 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 Capt Cobb

was ordered for to fire or three wieks

before but for the sake of plunder

he Did not according to orders form

the Collo

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

18th 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

Spt 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 Majr 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 majr 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

Sept 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 Mr Philips preacht

in forenoon the weather being

Cold Did not hold forth no more

this Day

22 : weather Cloudy and Cold nothing

more Remarkable

Sept ye 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 Capt 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

30\*h 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

2d Nothing Remarkable

3d Nothing Remarkable this Day

4th weather Cloudy but no Rain

5th Sunday Doctr 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

october ye 7: 1755

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

8th 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

Majr 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 ye 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 majr he must answer

for his one Conduct and this Concluded and

then they went on Listing as before.

9th Capt 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 ye 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

21 this Day itt Rains and Exceedeng Cold

weather Sergt James Houghton of my

Company Dieed this Day who was much

Likt by Both officers and Souldirs

in the whole Battallion

22 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

Doct Kast tent and those that where

Descharged was Commonded by Lt Trumbill

to fort Lawrance

25 this Day Sum Snow and very Cold

26 : this Day Capt Stevens and Let Willard

and 100 privates went from the Camps

aboute sundown in persute after

some french

27 : Capt 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

2d Sunday Sergt Houghton this

Day Carieed Into the Hospitall

November ye 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 ye 9: 1755

the wind Sou : w : and very foggey

10;h much Rain this Day and bad stiring

in the Camps

11th nothing Remarkable but Rains

almost Every Day

12;h 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 Capt Stevens to

Command the one party and I the other

Capt 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

Novm 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

14th 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 senterys.

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 Corpll 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.

Novr 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

Capt Stevens party seeing severall

men upon horses and in plain sight

I marcht within aboute 50 Rods sent

oute Corpll 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

Capt 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 Capt Spikeman

with the Rest of the officrs 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 Lt 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 Capt 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 Saying 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

Novm 15th 1755

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 Capt 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

Majr Prebble and Majer Bourn Came

with 350 men to oure Assistance

Novr 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 Capt Cobb and Lt 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

Novmr ye 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 Coll 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 Capt 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

Novm ye 18

weather fair and not Cold a party

of 300 men was ordereed to Tantramar

Commanded by Majr Pribble to bring

in all the Cattle and horses they

Could find which was aboute 10 oClock

they marcht

Novm 19th 1755

this Day Majr Pribble Returnd with

aboute 150 Cattele and a Larg number

of Sheep and Swine

20th

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

Novmr ye 21

this Day a party of men was sent on

to the marsh to Bring all the

Cattle to the fort Lt 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

Cap^ 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

Novmr 22.

Nothing Remarkable

N 23 Sunday Eight men oute of Each

Company for Kings works

Novr 24 this Day a warm Rain for ye season

Novmr 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

Novm ye 26: 1755

weather Cold Snow in the fore noon but

fair in the Latter part of the Day

Novm ye 27:

weather fair and Cold & nothing Remarkable

Novm ye 28

Nothing Remarkable this Day

29

Cloudy Cold weather

30

Sunday this Day Coll Winslows battallion

Imbarkt for Halifax

December ye 1: 1755

this Day Coll winslow Battallion

sailed for halifax

Dcmr ye 2d

Nothing Remarkable but Cloudy and

Cold

Demr ye 3:

Exceeding Cold weather

4

Nothing Remarkable

5

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

7th

Sunday weather fair and not Cold

8th

warm wather for the time of ye year

and Rains and in the Evening the wind

Blowd Exceding strong from the south

9

the wind att south and warm

10

and Continues

11

very Cold and snows all Day

12 Nothing Remarkable

Capt Stevens Company and Capt Gilberts

Dcmr Company Goes into ye Baraks

13 after lying in Camp six months

14th

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

Demr ye 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

17th

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

20th

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

Demr 23: 1755

This Day was moderate and In the Evning itt snowd

24th 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

25th 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 Coll 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 ye 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

3d this morning Ens Briwer and his party march

toward wescock with 7 Days provitions and

Each man Drest in french & Indian

Dress for a Decoye

this after noon Orders Come for me

to go to Gasparoe with 4 subs officrs

and 100 private men for to guard the provitions

this Night a number of officrs had a

Grate Carose att Co-ll Scots that

we Browk All his glases and china

ware whch was aboute 10 poind value

4th 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 Majr frye & Jones

who was Both Ill but Revived much att

our Coming to bring them sumthing that

was fresh.

6th

Cloudy the weather warm for the Season

I marcht the party marcht from Gaspore aboute

10 oClock.