

...fifteen hands, and a half high, stout and well formed, rising 6 years old, ...

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EDWARD EDELEN, ... RENTED, agreeable to the last will and testament of Thomas Ringgold, Esq; deceased. ...

H A G U E, January 3.

LETTERS from Rome inform us, that a conspiracy has been discovered against the pope, and that several pieces of cannon in the castle of Angelo had been found charged, pointing to a street which the pope generally goes through to his palace of the Vatican.

L O N D O N.

From the LONDON GAZETTE EXTRAORDINARY. Whitehall, November 4, 1776. THE following letters from the honourable general Sir William Howe to lord George Germaine, were received in the evening of the 2d instant, by capt. Balfour, second aid-de-camp to general Sir William Howe, who arrived in the Lord Halifax packet from New-York.

Head-quarters, York-Island, Sept. 21, 1776. My LORD, I have the satisfaction to inform your lordship of his majesty's troops being in possession of the city of New-York.

Upon the rebels abandoning their lines at Brooklyn, the king's army moved from Bedford, leaving lieutenant general Heister encamped upon the heights of Brooklyn, with two brigades of Hessians, and one brigade of British, at Bedford, and took five positions in the neighbourhood of Newtown, Bushwick, Hell-Gate, and Flushing.

The two islands of Montreux and Buchanan were occupied, and batteries raised against the enemy's work at Horens-Hook, commanding the passage at Hell-Gate.

On the 15th instant in the morning, three ships of war passed up the North-River, as far as Bloomingdale, to draw the enemy's attention to that side; and the first division of troops, consisting of the light infantry, the British reserve, the Hessian grenadiers and chaffeurs, under the command of lieutenant general Clinton, having with him lieutenant general Cornwallis, major general Vaughan, brigadier-general Leslie, and colonel Vonop, embarked at the head of New-York creek, and landed about noon upon New-York island, three miles from the town, at a place called Kepp's-Bay, under the fire of two forty gun ships and three frigates, as per margin, commodore Hotham having the direction of the ships and boats.

The rebels had troops in their works round Kepp's-Bay; but their attention being engaged in expectation of the king's troops landing at Stuyvesant's-Cove, Horens-Hook, and at Harlem, which they had reason to conclude, Kepp's-Bay became only a secondary object of their care. The fire of the shipping being so well directed, and so incessant, the enemy could not remain in their works, and the descent was made without the least opposition.

The conduct of the officers of the navy does them much honour; and the behaviour of the seamen belonging to the ships of war and transports, employed to row the boats, was highly meritorious. Much praise in particular is due to the masters and men of six transports, that passed the town on the evening of the 14th under a heavy fire, being volunteers, to take troops on board for the more speedy disembarkation of the 2d division.

The British immediately took post upon the commanding height of Incenberg, and the Hessians moving towards New-York, fell in with a body of rebels that were retiring from Stuyvesant's Cove; some firing ensued, by which a brigadier-general, other officers, and several men of the rebels were killed and wounded, with the loss of four men killed, and eight wounded, on the part of the Hessians.

As soon as the second embarkation was landed, the troops advanced towards a corps of the enemy upon a rising ground three miles from Incenberg, towards King's-Bridge, having McGowan's-Pass in their rear; upon which they immediately retired to the main body of their army upon Morris's-height.

The enemy having evacuated New-York soon after the army landed, a brigade took possession of the works in the evening.

The prisoners made in the course of this day were about 20 officers and 300 men.—The included return will show the artillery and stores taken.

The position the king's army took, on the 15th in the evening, was with the right to Horens-Hook, and the left at the North-River, near to Bloomingdale, the rebel army occupying the ground with extensive works on both sides of Kings-Bridge, and a redoubt with cannon upon a height on the west side of the North-River, opposite to the Blue Bell, where the enemy have their principal work; in which positions both armies still continue.

On the 16th in the morning, a large party of the enemy having passed under cover of the woods near to the advanced posts of the army, by way of Vander-water's-Height, the 2d and 3d battalions of light infantry, supported by the 42d regiment, pushed forward, and drove them back to their entrenchments, from whence the enemy observing they were not in force, attacked them with near three thousand men, which occasioned the march of the reserve, with two field-pieces, a battalion of Hessian grenadiers, and the company of shaffeurs, to prevent the corps engaged from being surrounded; but the light infantry and 42d regiment, with the assistance of the chaffeurs and field-pieces, re-

pulled the enemy with considerable loss, and obliged them to retire within their works. The enemy's loss is not ascertained; but from accounts of deserters it is agreed that they had not less than 300 killed and wounded, and among them a colonel and major killed. We had eight officers wounded, most of them very slightly; fourteen men killed, and about seventy wounded.

Major-general Vaughan was slightly wounded in the thigh, on the 15th, by a random shot, as he was ascending the heights of Incenberg with the grenadiers; and I have the pleasure of informing your lordship, that lieutenant col. Monckton is so well recovered, he has been walking about some days.

Captain Balfour, my second aid-de-camp, will have the honour of delivering your lordship this dispatch; and, with the most profound respect, I have the honour to be, &c. W. HOWE.

Head-quarters, York-Island, Sept. 23, 1776.

My LORD, BETWEEN the 20th and 21st instant, at midnight, a most horrid attempt was made by a number of wretches to burn the town of New-York, in which they succeeded too well, having set it on fire in several places, with matches and combustibles that had been prepared with great art and ingenuity. Many were detected in the fact, and some killed upon the spot by the enraged troops in garrison; and had it not been for the exertions of major-general Robertson, the officers under his command in the town, and the brigade of guards detached from the camp, the whole must infallibly have been consumed, as the night was extremely windy.

The destruction is computed to be about one quarter of the town; and we have reason to suspect there are villains still lurking there, ready to finish the work they have begun, one person escaping the pursuit of a centinel the following night, having declared, that he would again set fire to the town the first opportunity. The strictest search is making after these incendiaries, and the most effectual measures taken to guard against the perpetration of their villainous and wicked designs. I have the honour to be, &c. W. HOWE.

Head-quarters, York-Island, Sept. 24, 1776.

My LORD, AFTER waiting two days for a favourable wind to move the ships of war up to the batteries upon Paulus-Hook, it was effected yesterday at noon, and the troops landed and took possession of the works without the least resistance, the enemy having abandoned their batteries and redoubts, upon the approach of his majesty's ship Roebuck, and two frigates.

I have the honour to be, &c. W. HOWE.

Return of ordnance and stores taken in the city of New-York, and in the adjacent batteries and redoubts, after the retreat of the rebels, September 25, 1776.

Taken in the field. Ordnance, light brass, mounted on travelling carriages with limbers.—1 six-pounder; 1 five inch and half howitzer.

In New-York, and the adjacent redoubts. IRON ORDNANCE.

Mounted on garrison carriages.—15 thirty-two pounders; 7 twelve-pounders; 9 nine-pounders; 1 six-pounder; 6 four-pounders; 3 three-pounders.

On a travelling carriage.—1 three-pounder. Dismounted.—26.

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Round-loafe.—465 thirty-two pounders; 9,300 twenty-four pounders; 276 eighteen-pounders; 1,342 twelve-pounders; 32 six-pounders; 41 three-pounders.

Double-headed.—747 thirty-two pounders; 460 twelve-pounders; 12 nine-pounders; 19 six pounders.

Double-headed with sliding bars.—100 thirty-two pounders; 170 twelve-pounders; 7 nine-pounders.

Graps quilled.—71 thirty-two pounders; 69 twelve-pounders.

Cafe fixed with powder.—32 nine-pounders; 12 three pounders.

S H E L L S.

Empty.—54 thirteen-inch; 944 ten inch; 395 eight-inch; 738 five-inch and half; 17,871 four-inch two-fifths.

Filled with fuzes drove.—5 thirteen-inch; 2 ten-inch; 30 eight inch; 53 five-inch and half; 45 four-inch and two-fifths.

Powder, whole barrel, 1; iron crows 6; muskets 52; chevaux de frize complete 8; tar barrels 42; breast-plates for engineers armour 35; waggons covered 4.

(Signed) SAMUEL CLEAVELAND, brig. gen. commanding royal artillery.

ADMIRALTY-OFFICE, November 4, 1776.

Extra of a letter from vice-admiral lord viscount Howe to Mr. Stephens, dated Eagle, New-York river, September 18, 1776.

I HAVE the satisfaction of being able to inform your lordship, that a disposition having been made for landing the army on York-Island, on the morning of the 15th, the captains Parker and Wallace, whose abilities and distinguished resolution point them out for the most important services, with the captains Fanshaw, Hammond and Hudson, officers of great merit, passed the fire of the town of New-York with their ships on the evening of the 13th; to wait off Bushwyck-Creek, opposite to Kepp's-Bay, where the landing was proposed to be forced, in the East-River. The flat boats, batteaux,

and galleys, under the direction of commodore Hotham, but arranged in divisions commanded by the captains Vandeput, Caldwell, Dickson, Caulfield, Phipps, and Molloy, and the lieutenant Howorth of the Eagle, assisted by the lieutenants Henry, Parry, Chads, and Britton, agents of transports, were manned from the two-decked ships and transports; as on the former debarkation, and sent up at different times under the shore of Long-Island, undiscovered by the enemy on the opposite side.

Six transports, which Messieurs Robert Ronghead, Richard Fowler, John Randall, Thomas Brown, Chambers, and Stuart (the different matters making a voluntary offer of their services) engaged to conduct, were sent up the East-River on the 14th, under the direction of the agent lieutenant Knowles, with lieutenant Laird; whose active assistance in the most fatiguing parts of the debarkation duty, the conveyance of the artillery, has marked his zeal for the king's service in a particular manner. They were appointed to take in a number of troops from Bushwyck, for facilitating the more timely support of the first division embarked in the flat boats at New-Town-Creek.

The pilots declining, on account of the strength of the tide, to take charge of the particular covering ships that were intended to be placed towards Hell-Gate, for countenancing the appearance of a descent on that part of the coast, all the five were placed in Kepp's-Bay, on the morning of the 15th; and having, by the effect of their well-directed fire, compelled the rebels to quit their intrenchments upon the shore, the debarkation was made without further opposition.

The general's public acknowledgments, addressed to the commodore, and the several officers and seamen employed, will be the best testimony I can render, of their meritorious services on this occasion.

In order to facilitate the operations of the army in the East River, another detachment of the ships of war was appointed by the general's desire to proceed up the North-River, to give jealousy to the enemy on this side. The Rehown, capt. Banks, with the captains Davis and Wilkinson in the Repulse and Pearl, were ordered for that purpose. They passed the enemy's battery without material injury early on the 15th, to a station about six miles to the northward of the town. On the ensuing night, the enemy directed four fire-vessels in succession against them; but with no other effect, than that of obliging the ships to move their stations, the Repulse excepted. The Rehown returned on this side the town; but the two frigates remain still in the North-River, with the Tryal armed schooner, to strengthen the left flank of the army, extending to the western shore of York-Island, as circumstances will admit.

Extra of a letter from general Sir William Howe to lord George Germaine, dated New-York, Dec. 3, 1776.

I HAVE the honour to inclose to your lordship a return of ordnance and stores taken from the enemy since the landing his majesty's troops at Frog's-Neck, in West-Chester county, from the 22th of October to the 20th of November. Those in the commissary and quarter-master general's branches are also very considerable; but as it has not been in their power hitherto to ascertain them, the report must therefore be deferred to the next opportunity. I also inclose a return of prisoners taken during the campaign.

Return of commissioned and non-commissioned officers, rank and file, killed, wounded, and missing, belonging to the army under the command of his excellency the hon. gen. Howe, in several actions, &c. with the rebels, from the 17th of September, to the 16th of November, 1776, inclusive, specifying the different periods, and the corps the casualties have happened in.

Head-quarters, New York, 1st December, 1776. In the action at Pelham-Manor, on the 13th of October, and in previous skirmishes, from the 17th of September, inclusive.

BRITISH. 17th regiment of light dragoons: 1 drummer missing; 1st battalion of light infantry: 1 sergeant, 2 rank and file killed; 1 field officer, 1 captain, 1 subaltern, 3 sergeants, 1 drummer or trumpeter, 23 rank and file, wounded; 2 rank and file missing. 2d ditto: 1 rank and file killed; 3 rank and file wounded. 3d ditto grenadiers: 2 rank and file wounded. 4th regiment: 1 rank and file missing. 27th, 28th, 32th, 57th and 59th regiments, one in each wounded. 71st ditto: 5 rank and file killed; 7 rank and file wounded. Royal artillery: 1 sergeant, 2 rank and file killed.—Total: 2 sergeants, 1 rank and file, killed; 1 field officer, 1 captain, 1 subaltern, 3 sergeants, 1 drummer or trumpeter, 40 rank and file wounded; 1 drummer, 3 rank and file, missing.

Names of the officers killed and wounded, &c. 1st battalion of light infantry: Capt. Evelyn, of the 4th regiment, mortally wounded, since dead; lieutenant col. Mulgrave, of the 40th regiment, wounded; lieutenant Archibald Hutherford, of the 27th regiment, wounded.

N. B. The sergeant and 3 rank and file of the royal artillery, returned killed, were drowned in the East-River, by the oversetting of a boat the 12th of October.

In the action of October 28, in passing the Bronx river, and in previous skirmishes, from the 15th of October, inclusive.

BRITISH. 16th regiment of light dragoons: 1 sergeant, 1 rank and file, 1 horse, wounded; 1 rank and file missing. 27th ditto: 1 rank and file, 3 horses, killed; 1 subaltern, 4 rank and file, 3 horses, wounded; Brigade of guards: 1 rank and file killed; 3 rank and file missing. 3d battalion of light infantry: 1 rank and file killed;

persons indebted to the estate, either by mortgage, or any other security, are earnestly directed to pay up the back interest due thereon, to enable the executor to comply with the directions of the will, and to pay them, or give bond and security, for the same, and all demands on the estate will be discharged.

JOHN GALLOWAY, executor. High bred horse CARELESS will cover this season at Strawberry-hill, at three pounds, a mare will shillings the groom, if the mare is put to a stallion and five shillings the groom, if not put to a stallion shillings the single leap.

CARELESS is a fine bay, rising six years old, full hands three inches high, was got by Capt. Byscar-nought, his dam by Dove, his grand-dam (dam of King Herod) by Othello, his great-grand-dam Old Spark, out of Queen Mab, a high bred mare, who was the dam of Old Mill, the dam of the Paolet.

The mares will be received by Thomas Williams, who will take proper care of them, but not receivable for any that may get away.

A way from the publisher, an indentured servant man named JAMES THOMPSON, a journeyman carpenter by trade, he is about 3 feet 10 or 11 inches high, much pitted with the small-pox, fond of liquor, when drunk very impudent, and takes to serve from the 20th day of July next, he takes up the said servant, and delivers him to the ferry-hill, or secures him in any goal, so that he never gets him again, shall receive three pounds reward if taken within twenty miles of Annapolis, and five pounds currency if more than twenty miles from Annapolis.

RICHARD SPRIGG. FIFTY DOLLARS REWARD.

George's county, Piscataway, March 21, 1777. The 15th instant, from capt. John Dean's company of foot, belonging to col. John's regiment, WILLIAM GILPIN, a well set man about 21 years of age, five feet eight or nine inches high, wears his own hair, which is short and gray eyes, and his face freckled; he is a hill-walker, and has a long drone to the word Y21, which makes use of in his discourse. He had on, when away, a country cotton coat, almost white and worn, with white cap metal buttons, doth coat, ofnabrig shirt, buckskin breeches, almost new, stockings, and country made shoes. He was captured with capt. John H. Lowe, of colonel Thompson's regiment of Maryland flying camp. Whoever the said deserter in any goal, so that he never may get him again, shall have the above reward one shilling common currency for every mile, and to the above-mentioned place, paid by WILLIAM DUVALL, 1st Lieutenant.

The said Gilpin received a bounty of 100 dollars from capt. Joseph Marberry, a few days after his return with me. I think this precaution necessary to prevent his imposing on others in the like manner.

W. E. P. B. R. cover MARES this season at col. Sharp's plantation on the North side of Seven river, three miles from Annapolis, at three pounds currency, and a dollar to the groom. He is 15 hands and a half high. He is allowed by good judges to be a compleat horse; he was got by Dr. Hamilton's dam of Old Figure, who was got by Standard, dam was got by Othello, son of Old Crab, dam by Morton's Traveller; his great-grand-dam by Taker's Selima, got by the Godolphin Arab.

Good grass for mares at 1/6 per week; to be paid for the use of the horse at the time for. No mares lost out of the pasture will be for.

W. E. P. B. R. SCHOOL-MASTER, who can teach the English language, Writing, and Arithmetic well, and well recommended, will meet with great success, by applying to J. Nicholson, junr. at Wright, near Chester-Mill, in Queen-Anne's county.

W. E. P. B. R. GREEN.