

noon, and the Garrison will lay down their Arms.

This is to be signed by Lord Colvill, but it will remain at present, as afterwards, in full Force.

(Signed) Wm. Amherst.
Le Comte d'Haussonville.

Camp before St. John's,
September 18, 1762.

*Total of the French Troops made Prisoners in
St. John's Fort.*

1 Colonel, 1 Lieutenant-Colonel, 13 Captains,
13 Lieutenants, 4 Ensigns, 27 Serjeants, 45 Corporals,
40 Sub Corporals, 12 Drummers, 533 Fusiliers.

Staff Officers.

M. le Comte d'Haussonville, Colonel.
M. de Bellecombe, Lieutenant-Colonel.
M. de Mongou, Major and Adjutant.
M. Seira, Engineer.
Henry, Surgeon Major.
Michel, Chaplain.

*Return of the Killed, Wounded, and Missings of the
Troops under the Command of Lieutenant-Colonel
Amherst, from the 13th of September, inclusive.*

Capt. Maxwell's Light Infantry. 3 Rank and File,
killed. 10 R. and F. wounded.

Capt. M'Donnell's Light Infantry. 1 Lieutenant,
1 Serjeant, 5 R. and F. killed. 1 Captain, 15 R.
and F. wounded.

Capt. Barron's Provincial Light Infantry. 1 R.
and F. killed. 3 R. and F. wounded.

First Battalion. 2 Captains, 1 Serjeant, 1 Drummer,
3 R. and F. wounded.

Second Battalion. 1 R. and F. killed. 1 R. and
F. wounded.

Provincial Battalion. 1 R. and F. killed.

Total, 1 Lieutenant, 11 R. and F. killed. 3 Captains,
2 Serjeants, 1 Drummer, 32 R. and F. wounded.

Names of the Officers.

Lient. Schyler, of Royal Americans, killed.

Capt. M'Donnell, of Frazer's,

Capt. Bailie, of the Royal,

Capt. M'Kenzie, of Montgomery's, } wounded.

Wm. Amherst, Lieutenant-Colonel.

St. John's, Sept. 20, 1762.

*Copy of a Letter from Lord Colvill, Commander in Chief
of His Majesty's Ships in North America, to Mr.
Cleveland. Dated on board the Northumberland in
St. John's Harbour Newfoundland, Sept. 20, 1762.*

S I R,

I HAD the Honour of sending you an Account of my Proceedings until the 18th of August, by a Vessel which sailed from Placentia for England at that Time; and on the 22d I sailed with His Majesty's Ships the Northumberland, Antelope, Gosport, and Syren, and the King George, belonging to the Province of Massachusetts Bay. On the 25th we chased a Schooner off St. John's, and took her close to the Harbour's Mouth. She had been an English Privateer, taken by the Enemy, had eight Carriage Guns mounted, and was manned with 30 French Men, commanded by an Ensign de Vaisseau.

The Enemy had sent away great Part of the Inhabitants of St. John's, Men, Women, and Children, by giving them Vessels and Provisions to carry them where they pleased; two of these, a Sloop and a Schooner, we met with on the Coast, and took twenty-three Irishmen that were single Men out of them, to replace in Part the Marines of the Squadron that were left in Garrison at Placentia and the Isle of Boys. These Irishmen said, that if I would go into the Bay of Bulls, Numbers of their Countrymen would resort to me and enter on Board the Squadron; but during two Days which I staid in that Bay, not a Man joined me. The few Inhabitants that remained there, quietly followed their Business of Fishing, and 'tis possible the Enemy prevented any others at St. John's from coming.

Mr. Garland and Mr. Davis, two of the principal Inhabitants of Harbour Grace and Carbonera, in Conception Bay, having acquainted me, that a Number of Men in their Neighbourhood were willing to serve in the Squadron during the present Exigency, I sent the Armed Schooner for them, and she returned with Fifty Men, which I have distributed among the Ships. And the same Gentlemen representing, that the Enemy sometimes sends small Parties by Land to Portugal Cove, which have threatened to molest them in Shallops from that Place, desired, in Behalf of themselves and all their Neighbours, that the Schooner might be stationed in Conception Bay, for their Protection and Defence, which Request I complied with.

The Island of Carbonera, in Conception Bay, has had no other Garrison for many Years but a few old Men of the Artillery, to take Care of the Guns and Ordnance Stores. Had some of the Inhabitants of the adjacent Coast taken Post here, they might easily have defended it against any Force, as the Island is inaccessible on all Sides, except one narrow Landing Place, and no safe Road in the Neighbourhood for great Ships; but the Enemy landed in Boats, and destroyed the Whole without Resistance. And the Isle of Boys near Ferryland, would probably have shared the same Fate, had it not been possessed in due Time by the Syren's Marines.

In frequently passing the Harbour's Mouth of St. John's, we could plainly see that the Fort, which fronts the Entrance, was fortified all round with new Works; and that a Redoubt, or something like one, was raised at the Little Harbour of Kitty Vitty. The Old Battery at the South Side of the Harbour's Mouth was repaired with additional Works, and a new One erected on the same Side nearer the Entrance. All these were to be seen from the Sea; and I could not learn that the Enemy intended any Thing more than the Finishing these Works.

On the 8th of September I received, by a Sloop express from Halifax, Letters from Sir Jeffery Amherst at New York, acquainting me, that he had come to a Resolution to send a Body of Troops, in order to dislodge the Enemy as soon as possible from St. John's; and that Lieutenant Colonel Amherst was to command these Troops. The same Conveyance brought me Letters from Colonel Amherst, acquainting me with his Arrival at Halifax on the 25th of August, his Departure from thence on the 1st of September, and with his Intention to call at Louisbourg for the Troops there, and then proceed round Cape Race, to join me on this Coast. Upon Receipt of these Letters, I sent the Sloop which brought them to look out for Colonel Amherst and the Transports off Cape Race; and in order to join them the sooner, to concert Measures for the ensuing Operations, before the Enemy could have Notice of their Arrival, I dropped down with the Squadron to Cape Broyle; but Mr. Gill of St. John's, who had been sent out of the Town in a Cartel Schooner two Days before, sending off Advice from Ferryland, that he was sure the Enemy intended to sail in a very little Time, I returned with the Squadron to our Station off St. John's.

On the 11th we were joined by Colonel Amherst, with the Troops in Ten Transport Vessels; and I proposed Torbay as the properest Place to land at: It is to the Northward of St. John's, about seven Miles by Land, and the Roads pretty good, but the Bay is not reckoned safe Anchorage, being open to the Easterly Winds, which usually begin to prevail at this Season. By one of the Transports from New York I received a Duplicate, the Original not yet come to Hand, of their Lordships Order of the 7th of June, directing me to repair myself, or send a sufficient Force, to enable Captain Graves of the Antelope, to defeat the Designs of the Squadron commanded by M. de Ternay.

On the 12th we proceed to Torbay. I sent Capt. Douglas in the Syren to anchor with the Transports, accompanied by the Boats of the Squadron, and a Number of Shallops, or Fishing Boats, which