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GEORGE PREVOST. Earl Bathurst, &c. &e. &c.

## Adjutant-General's-Office, Head-Quarters, La Prairie, Nov. 26, 1812.

## GENERAL ORDERS

HIS Excellency the Governor in Chief and Commander of the Forces cannot dispense with the services of the detachments of sedentary militia, which have come forward to join their brethren in arms, without paying a just tribute to the animated zeal and spirited loyalty which have been so universally displayed on this occasion.

His Excellency has witnessed with the highest satisfaction the enthusiasm and ardent courage with which all classes of His Majesty's subjects have eagerly pressed forward to rescue their happy soil from the pollution of threatened invasion, zealous to sacrifice their lives in defence of the rights and dignity of a revered and beloved Sovereign.

Such genuine pledges of loyalty are as honourable to the subject as they are gratifying to the Monarch ; and, when combined with the tried valour and discipline of British troops, cannot fail of commanding that brilliant and glorious success, which has crowned His Majesty's arms in every quarter of the globe.

His Excellency, in the most assured confidence that none will fail at the first summons again to fly in arms to the defence of their country, should the temerity of the foe a second time threaten to disturb the peace of our frontiers, is pleased to order, that the detachments of sedentary militia be relieved from permanent service, and be permitted to return to the social enjoyment of their peaceful homes.

(Signed) EDW. BAYNES, Adj. Gen.

Adjutant-General's-Office, Head-Quarters, La Prairie, Nov. 27, 1812.

G. O .- Major-General de Rottenburgh will be pleased to give the necessary orders respecting the winter-quarters to be occupied by the troops in the Montreal district.

G. O .- His Excellency the Commander of the Forces takes this opportunity of expressing to Lieutenant-Colonel de Salaberry his entire appro-bation of his conduct in the management of the advance, as well as the high sense he entertains of the alacrity with which the corps of voltigeurs, voyageurs, the battalions of embodied militia, Captain Platt's troop of light cavalry, and the Montreal battalion of volunteers and flank companies, and 2d and 3d battalions Montreal militia, repaired to their different posts to repel the threatened invasion ; and which, had it taken place, His Excellency feels confident, from the tried valour and discipline of His Majesty's regular forces, and from the enthusi-astic loyalty and courage of all classes of His Ma-jesty's Canadian subjects, would have terminated in the defeat and disgrace of the enemy.

The extraordinary exertions which have been made upon this occasion, and which thus call forth | display, some on shore, some in boats, and, per-

fore your Lordship, for the consideration of His | His Excellency's notice and commendation, cannot Royal Highness the Prince Regent. | fail of producing the most happy consequences to fail of producing the most happy consequences to the future tranquillity and prosperity of the country.

The General Orders of this day and those of the 26th instant to be entered in the General Orderly Books, and read at the head of all corps on parade. (Signed) EDW. BAYNES, Adj. Gen.

## Head-Quarters, Quebec, December 17, 1812.

My Lord, I HAVE the honour to transmit herewith, for your Lordship's information, the copy of dispatches 1 have just received express from Major-General Sheaffe, commanding in Upper Canada, containing a report of another attack made by the enemy, on the 28th ultimo, upon the Niagara frontier; between the posts of Cbippawa and Fort Erie, which I have the satisfaction of announcing to have been repulsed in a manner highly creditable to His Majesty's arms, and the militia employed upon the occasion, with trifling loss.

The enemy has suffered considerably in killed and wounded ; and one captain (King) and thirty-eight men were taken prisoners.

The particulars of this affair are detailed in General Sheaffe's dispatches, and the report accom-panying them from Lieutenant-Colonel Bisshopp, who, with the force under his orders, was more immediately engaged with the enemy, and to which I beg leave to refer your Lordship.

I have to lament that Lieutenant King, of the royal artillery, and Lieutenant Lamont, of the 49th regiment, have been wounded severely; the former fell into the hands of the enemy, but, I trust, will have been released.

I annex, for your Lordship's further information, a copy of the General Order which I have in consequence directed to be published to the army under my command.

I have the honour to be, &c. GEORGE PREVOST,

To the Right Honourable Earl Bathurst, &c. &c. &c.

Chippawa, November 30, 1812. SIR I HAVE the honour of reporting to your Excellency, that very early in the morning on the 28th an attack was made on our batteries opposite Black Rock; they were wrested from us for a time by superior numbers, but Major Ormsby, of the 49th regiment, with a body of troops from Fort Erio, having formed a junction with Licutenant-Colonel Bishopp, who had moved up with great celerity from Chippawa with reinforcements; those of the enemy who had not retired to their own shore, amounting to nearly forty, were made prisoners, with Captain King, who had commanded in the attack.

On receiving information of the attack I went up, having previously ordered a movement of some troops, to strengthen those posts from which reinforcements had been detached to the right flank. On my arrival there I found the enemy in great force, of which he seemed to make an ostentations