

49th Foot—12 rank and file killed; 1 lieutenant, 3 serjeants, 22 rank and file, wounded; 3 drummers, 21 rank and file, missing.

Militia Artillery—1 serjeant wounded.

1st Regiment Norfolk Militia—1 serjeant killed; 1 captain, 1 lieutenant, 8 rank and file, wounded; 2 rank and file missing.

2d Regiment Norfolk Militia—1 rank and file killed; 7 rank and file wounded; 4 rank and file missing.

Total loss—14 rank and file (line), 1 serjeant, 1 rank and file (militia), killed; 2 lieutenants, 3 serjeants, 24 rank and file (line), 1 captain, 1 lieutenant, 1 serjeant, 15 rank and file (militia), wounded; 3 drummers, 21 rank and file (line), 11 rank and file (militia), missing.

General total—1 serjeant, 16 rank and file, killed; 1 captain, 3 lieutenants, 4 serjeants, 39 rank and file, wounded; 3 drummers, 32 rank and file, missing.

Officers wounded.

Royal Artillery—Lieutenant King, severely, and taken prisoner.

49th Foot—Lieutenant Lamont, severely.

1st Norfolk Militia—Captain Bostwick, slightly; Lieutenant Ryerson, severely.

(Signed) THOMAS EVANS,
Major of Brigade.

By His Excellency's command,
(Signed) EDWARD BAYNES,
Adj. Gen. N.A.

(True copy.)

NOAH FREER, Military Secretary.

*Adjutant-General's Office, Head-Quarters,
Quebec, December 17, 1812.*

GENERAL ORDER.

HIS Excellency the Commander of the Forces has great satisfaction in announcing to the troops under his command, that he has received a report from Major-General Sheaffe, communicating the detail of a partial action with the main body of the enemy's army, under the command of Brigadier-General Smyth, on the 28th of November, on the Niagara frontier, between Chippawa and Fort Erie, which terminated with distinguished honour to a very small division of the British army under Lieutenant-Colonel Bisshopp, who, in a most spirited and gallant manner, defeated and repulsed an invading enemy, so vain glorious in the great superiority of his force, that he had with an ostentatious pretence of humanity, proposed the surrender of Fort Erie, to avoid an useless effusion of British blood, and which was instantly rejected by Lieutenant-Colonel Bisshopp with the contempt it merited.

The enemy was gallantly opposed in landing, at two o'clock in the morning, by the parties under Lieutenant King of the royal artillery, and Lieutenants Bartley and Lamont, commanding detachments of thirty and thirty-five men each, of the 49th regiment. Lieutenant Bartley prevented for a considerable time, the landing of a force more than ten times his number, and did not relinquish

the contest, until his party, reduced to seventeen effective men, was threatened by a strong detachment of the enemy, who had landed on his flank; he made good his retreat, and joined Major Ormsby. Lieutenant King and Lieutenant Lamont resisted with spirit the advance of the enemy, until both those officers being severely wounded, and a number of their men killed and wounded, they were under the necessity of giving way to an overwhelming force; the wounded officers fell into the enemy's hands.

Major-General Sheaffe expresses in the strongest terms, his entire approbation of the celerity and decision evinced by Lieutenant-Colonel Bisshopp, who moved with reinforcements from Chippawa, and met Major Ormsby, who had marched with the detachment of the 49th regiment from Fort Erie, and also detachments of the 41st regiment and of militia, under Lieutenant-Colonel Clark and Major Hatt. At daybreak this force advanced to meet the enemy, and made prisoners a captain and thirty-eight men of the enemy's artillery, and recovered the guns which had fallen into their hands, and remounted them on the batteries. This force formed to receive the threatened attack, but the enemy being much galled by the musketry, and suffering considerably from a six-pounder, most ably served by Bombardier Jackson of the royal artillery, turned their boats to their own shore, after a vain display for several hours of their numerous armament. From the numbers left on the field, and the boats that were sunk, the enemy's loss must have been very great.

A heavy cannonade was kept up from all the enemy's batteries during the day, but with little effect.

HIS Excellency cannot express in sufficiently strong terms, his approbation of the steady discipline, and intrepid firmness, displayed by the troops on this occasion, who, undaunted by the superior force of the enemy in numbers, have evinced a brilliant and glorious example of the pre-eminence of British discipline. Major-General Sheaffe reports the assistance rendered by Major Ormsby and the officers of the 49th regiment and 41st regiment, and the light infantry company of the royal Newfoundland regiment under Captain Whelan, and of the militia under Lieutenant-Colonel Clark and Major Hatt, and Captain Kirby of the artillery, and of the Indian warriors under Major Givens, as having been gallantly and judiciously displayed, reflecting the highest honour on every individual engaged.

EDWARD BAYNES, Adj. Gen. N.A.

AT the Court at Carlton-House, the 4th of March 1813,

PRESENT,

The Lords of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council.

HIS Royal Highness the Prince Regent having been pleased, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, to appoint Richard Chandon Mar-