

ponder iron guns; 1 twelve-pounder iron gun,
1 six-pounder iron gun.

Total—9.

Destroyed.

1 heavy twelve-pounder, 1 heavy six-pounder.

Total—2.

Shot.

81 forty-two-pounder, round, 32 thirty-two-pounder, round, 36 forty-two-pounder, canister, 42 thirty-two-pounder, canister, 30 twenty-four-pounder, canister, 12 forty-two-pounder, grape, 48 thirty-two-pounder, grape, 18 twenty-four-pounder, grape.

Eight barrels of gunpowder, and all the shot of small calibre in the fort and stores, thrown into the river.

(Signed) EDW. CRUTTENDEN, Captain commanding Royal Artillery.

(Certified copy,)

EDW. LAYNES, Adj. Gen.

Memorandum of Provisions, Stores, &c. captured.

1045 barrels of flour, pork, potatoes, salt, tallow, &c. &c. 70 coils of rope and cordage, tar, blocks, large and small, 2 small schooners, with several boats and other smaller craft.

(A true copy,)

NOAH FREER, Mil. Sec.

Admiralty-Office, July 5, 1814.

Copy of a Letter from Commodore Sir James Lucas Yeo, Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels on the Lakes of Canada, to John Wilson Croker, Esq. dated on board His Majesty's Ship Prince Regent, 9th May 1814.

*His Majesty's Ship Prince Regent,
May 9, 1814.*

SIR,

MY letter of the 15th of April last, will have informed their Lordships that His Majesty's ships Prince Regent and Princess Charlotte were launched on the preceding day. I now have the satisfaction to acquaint you, for their Lordship's information, that the squadron, by the unremitting exertion of the officers and men under my command, were ready on the 3d instant, when it was determined by Lieutenant-General Drummond and myself that an immediate attack should be made on the forts and town of Oswego, which, in point of position, is the most formidable I have seen in Upper Canada, and where the enemy had by river navigation collected from the interior several heavy guns, and naval stores for the ships, and large depôts of provisions for their army.

At noon, on the 5th, we got off the port, and were on the point of landing, when a heavy gale from the N. W. obliged me to gain an offing. On the morning of the 6th, every thing being ready, one hundred and forty troops, two hundred seamen, armed with pikes, under Captain Mulcaster, and four hundred marines, were put into the boats; the

Montreal and Niagara took their stations abreast and within a quarter of a mile of the fort, the Magnet opposite the town, and the Star and Charwell to cover the landing, which was effected under a most heavy fire of round, grape and musquetry, kept up with great spirit. Our men having to ascend a very steep and long hill, were consequently exposed to a destructive fire; their gallantry overcoming every difficulty, they soon gained the summit of the hill, and throwing themselves into the fosse, mounted the ramparts on all sides, vying with each other who should be foremost. Lieutenant Laurie, my Secretary, was the first who gained the ramparts, and Lieutenant Hewitt climbed the flag-staff under a heavy fire, and in the most gallant style struck the American colours which had been nailed to the mast.

My gallant and much esteemed friend Captain Mulcaster led the seamen to the assault with his accustomed bravery, but I lament to say he received a dangerous wound in the act of entering the fort, which I apprehend will for a considerable time deprive me of his valuable services; Mr. Scott, my first Lieutenant, who was next in command, nobly led them on and soon gained the ramparts.

Captain O'Connor, of the Prince Regent, to whom I entrusted the landing of the troops, displayed great ability and cool judgment, the boats being under a heavy fire from all points.

Captain Popham in the Montreal, anchored his ship in a most gallant style, sustaining the whole fire until we gained the shore. She was set on fire three times by red hot shot, and much cut up in her hull, masts and rigging; Captain Popham received a severe wound in his right hand, and speaks in high terms of Mr. Richardson the Master, who from a severe wound in the left arm was obliged to undergo amputation at the shoulder joint.

Captain Spilsbury of the Niagara, Captain Dobbs of the Charwell, Captain Anthony of the Star, and Captain Collier in the Magnet, behaved much to my satisfaction.

The 2d battalion of royal marines excited the admiration of all; they were led by the gallant Colonel Malcolm, and suffered severely. Captain Holtaway, doing duty in the Princess Charlotte, gallantly fell at the head of his company.

Having landed with the seamen and marines, I had great pleasure in witnessing not only the zeal and prompt attention of the officers to my orders, but also the intrepid bravery of the men, whose good and temperate conduct under circumstances of great temptation (being a whole night in the town, employed loading the captured vessels with ordnance, naval stores and provisions), most justly claim my high approbation and acknowledgment; and I here beg leave to recommend to their Lordships notice the services of all, of my First Lieutenant Mr. Scott, and of my Aid-de-Camp Acting Lieutenant Yeo, to whom I beg leave to refer their Lordships for information; nor should the meritorious exertions of Acting Lieutenant Griffin, severely wounded in the arm, or Mr. Brown, both of whom were attached to the storming party, be omitted.

It is a great source of satisfaction to me to acquaint their Lordships, that I have on this, and on