

embarking their troops, were sent back for the second embarkation, which I immediately made. Brigadier Murray, who had been detached with Anstruther's battalion to attack the four-gun battery on the left, was recalled by the general, who now saw the French army crossing the river St. Charles. General Wolfe thereupon began forming his line, having his right covered by the Louisbourg grenadiers; on the right of these again he brought Otway's; to the left of the grenadiers were Bragg's, Kennedy's, Lascelles's, Highlanders, and Anstruther's; the right of this body was commanded by brigadier Monckton, and the left by brigadier Murray; his rear and left were protected by colonel Howe's light infantry, who was returned from the four-gun battery before-mentioned, which was soon abandoned to him. General Montcalm having collected the whole of his force from the Beauport side, and advancing, shewed his intention to flank our left, where I was immediately ordered with general Amherst's battalion, which I formed *en potence*. My numbers were soon after increased by the arrival of two battalions of royal Americans; and Webb's was drawn up by the general, as a reserve, in eight subdivisions, with large intervals. The enemy lined the bushes in their front, with 1500 Indians and Canadians, and it is probable they had also placed there their best marksmen, who kept up a very galling, though irregular fire upon our whole line, who bore it with the greatest patience and good order, reserving their fire for the main body, now advancing. This fire of the enemy was, however, checked by our posts in front, which protected the forming our own line. The right of the enemy was composed of half the troops of the colony, viz. the battalions of La Sarre, Languedoc, and the remainder of their Canadians and Indians. Their centre was a column, and formed of the battalions of Bearne and Guienne. Their left was composed of the remaining troops of the colony, and the battalion of royal Rousillon. This was, as near as I can ascertain, their line of battle. They brought up two pieces of small artillery against us, and we had been able to bring up but one gun; which, being admirably well served, galled exceedingly their column. My attention to the left will not permit me to be very exact with regard to every circumstance which passed in the centre, much less to the right; but it is most certain that the enemy formed in good order, and that their at-